NT Schools Win Trade Training Centres

Employment, Education and Training Minister Marion Scrymgour today welcomed new funding for three Territory schools under the Australian Government’s Trade Training Centres in Schools Program.

Ms Scrymgour said the three schools – Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Thamarrur, Kormilda College and Northern Territory Christian College – would receive up to $1.5 million each for trade training facilities.

“We’re working closely with Julia Gillard to improve education and training in the Territory,” Ms Scrymgour said.

“Training – and particularly training in more traditional trades – is a NT Government priority and an important part of driving our growing economy.

“Vocation and Educational Training (VET) increases the skills of the workforce, filling the job vacancies in our strong labour market and providing Territorians with greater career opportunities.

“With more than 20,000 participants in VET courses, the Territory has the highest participation rate of any jurisdiction in Australia.

“This announcement by the Australian Government complements our efforts in providing the best education, training and therefore employment opportunities for Territorians.”

Trade training centre proposed projects:

- Our Lady of the Sacred heart Thamarrur – trade training centre will address skills shortages in areas including food, industrial and automotive technologies. Proposal includes a new mechanical workshop and refurbished kitchen.
- Kormilda College – trade training centre would allow the provision of Certificate 3 level course in engineering. Construction of facility and installation of equipment.
- Northern Territory Christian College – trade training centre in fabrication and construction, including building a new Workshop facility.

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