

**CALL FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST**  
**Consultancy, Dhiyaan Indigenous Centre**



A consultant is sought to provide professional help in reviewing the proposal to establish the present Dhiyaan Indigenous Centre, Northern Regional Library and Information Services, Moree, as an Indigenous cultural and learning centre.

**Consultancy terms of reference**

The consultancy will commence in December 2009 and the consultant's report is expected to be submitted at the end of February 2010.

A Steering Group, comprising a representative of the Aboriginal Affairs NSW, Arts NSW and Arts North West, will oversee the consultancy.

The consultancy will:

1. Assess the existing business plan for the Dhiyaan Indigenous Centre prepared by Aboriginal Affairs NSW. In particular it will review that plan's financial assumptions, the significance of the Centre's collection, its value, size and scope.
2. Consult with the local and regional Aboriginal community and the Department of Aboriginal Affairs on the Centre's range of services to determine whether these services align with community needs.
3. Assess the Centre's governance arrangements including its succession planning.
4. Examine options/models for the Centre such as –
  - i. An Indigenous learning and cultural centre constituted and managed as a stand-alone entity.
  - ii. An autonomous Indigenous learning and cultural centre established under the arrangements with the current library and local government.
5. Consult with existing and potential stakeholders and project partners to establish the potential financial and in-kind support for the Centre. This includes identifying opportunities for strategic partnerships between key stakeholder groups such as local government and the Australia Council.
6. Investigate the feasibility of establishing a foundation to support the objectives of Dhiyaan Centre.

**Closing Date is 10 December 2009.**

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