



# Our Country. Our Future.

AT A GLANCE



**Australian Government**  
**Indigenous Land and Sea Corporation**



**The ILSC GROUP**

**PEOPLE. COUNTRY. OPPORTUNITY.**



## Our vision

*The ILSC's vision is for Indigenous Australians to enjoy the rightful entitlements, opportunities and benefits that the return of country and its management brings.*

## What we do

The Indigenous Land and Sea Corporation (ILSC) was established in 1995 to provide for the contemporary and future land needs of Indigenous Australians, particularly those unlikely to benefit from native title or land rights.

**We partner with Indigenous Australians to provide economic, environmental, social or cultural benefits through two functions:**

- We assist Indigenous Australians to acquire land and water-related rights;  
*and*
- We assist Indigenous Australians to manage Indigenous-held land and Indigenous waters.

## Our Purpose

- We buy and grant land and water-related rights and assets to Indigenous Australians.
- We support Indigenous Australians to preserve and protect culture through connection to country.
- We assist Indigenous Australians to build their capacity and capability to sustainably manage and protect country.
- We partner with Indigenous Australians to drive and influence opportunities for their country.

*Pictured above: Harvesting Kakadu Plum (Gubinge)*

*Front Cover: TDC Ranger conducting a controlled burn in the Northern Territory*



## Our Country. Our Future.

Central to achieving our vision and purpose is the ILSC's national funding program 'Our Country. Our Future', which operates across urban, regional and remote Australia.

### The ILSC assists with eligible projects in four key ways:

- We provide funding for the return, development or management of country;
- We provide advice and capability support for Indigenous owners of land or water-related country through information, training and systems;
- We connect Indigenous Australians with opportunities through advocacy, networking and facilitating market access; and
- We support success by facilitating capability, operating and investment partnerships.

Our national funding program, 'Our Country. Our Future' has five broad focus areas to support opportunities for Indigenous Australians to enjoy the benefits that the return of country and its management brings.

## Key focus areas



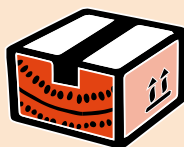
### *Conservation and Healthy Country*

Supporting cultural and environmental protection and the development of enterprises based on the preservation of country.



### *Urban Investment*

Pursuing strategic land purchases in urban areas or providing management support to enhance commercial, social and cultural uses for Indigenous urban assets.



### *Niche Indigenous Products*

Assisting to build industries based on Australian native food and agriculture and leveraging traditional practices and cultural knowledge to grow consumer interest.



### *Tourism*

Supporting the development of land, salt and freshwater country based eco-tourism operations.



### *Agribusiness*

Supporting enterprises in key sectors including aquaculture, horticulture and livestock industries.

# Partnering with the ILSC

To apply for **'Our Country. Our Future'** funding, you must be able to answer **'yes'** to the following:

Does your project involve the acquisition or management of land and/or water-related interests?



## For projects that involve acquisition:

Are you an incorporated entity (or in the process of becoming incorporated) and are you Indigenous controlled?



## For projects that involve management:

*Are you one of the following;*

- An Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander holder of land or a water-related right
- An incorporated entity
- An organisation interested in investing in Indigenous-held land or waters?



Does your project have the support of the Indigenous land/water holders and have they provided their consent for its use?



Will Indigenous Australians enjoy access, opportunities and benefits from land or waters as a result of your project?



Are you compliant with your incorporating legislation and any agreements you currently have with the ILSC?



## How to apply?

**'Our Country. Our Future'** is flexible, so you can apply at any time. If you are interested in applying, please contact your closest ILSC office to discuss your application.



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