

***Mindibungu Aboriginal Corporation
General Information
August 2008***

LOCATION

In the eastern Kimberley region of WA, off the Tanami Road app 155kms from Halls Creek. Mindibungu rests in the "V" junction that connects the Tanami Highway and the Canning Stock Route. The community itself resides within the Tjurabalan Pastoral Lease which consists of some 3100 square kilometres of Aboriginal Land . This encases mainly desert country typical of the region taken up by Spinifex and native desert trees, however the Stuart Creek runs past the community to the south, fills Lake Stretch and flows on through to the biggest in land lake in the southern hemisphere, Lake Gregory.

DEMOGRAPHY

Restricted ("dry") community with population of approximately 225 people. There are four outstations:

- Lake Stretch
- Bitchibidi
- Noamie Bore
- Mangala

LANGUAGES

Walmajarri, Kukatja, Jarra, Kimberley Kriol, Warlpiri

INFRASTRUCTURE/FACILITIES

New office, new store, clinic, garage, school, 2 churches, airport, powerhouse, television (GWN, SBS, ABC, WIN), radio (ABS Regional, WA FM). 4 staff houses (Administrators, mechanic, bookkeeper, CDEP), 5 school staff houses and 30 community houses, with another 5 community houses commencing this dry season.

MINDIBUNGU ABORIGINAL CORPORATION STAFF

Administrator (CEO)
CDEP Officer
Bookkeeper
Carpenter
ESO / Mechanic

CLIMATE

Mindibungu experiences wet (November - April) and dry (March - October) seasons. Dry season nights can be cool with winter day averages between 28 - 35 degrees. Periodic flooding of the Sturt Creek during the wet season can prevent access south of the community.