

# GAMBIA FOOTBALL FEDERATION



## ACTIVITY REPORT 2020



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## 1. PRESIDENT'S STATEMENT

***The Honorable Minister of Youth and Sports,  
Executive Director National Sports Council,  
Distinguished Delegates,  
Members of the Press,  
Ladies and gentlemen.***

I stand before you with great pleasure and honor to welcome you to yet another Annual General Meeting of the Gambia Football Federation marking the end of year 2020.

Distinguished delegates,

The GFF Annual General Meeting is a top most constitutional requirement for the leadership of football in the country as one of its core engagements. The event is to present a Report on the activities of the Federation during the year under review, the Draft Budget for the coming year and the Audited Financial Report of the

preceding year for the approval of the General Assembly.

The calendar year 2020 is of mixed feelings as it turned around to a global COVID-19 Pandemic that has taken the world to a standstill and thus our football and its related activities halted abruptly. Despite the situation, the GFF under my stewardship since our assumption into Office in 2014 has not at any point skipped a single AGM. This robust performance is a testimony to our commitment to ensuring best operational efficiencies and the respect we attached to defending the GFF Constitution in line with both CAF and FIFA Statutes and the National Laws of The Gambia.

The GFF under my leadership continues to place high premium on the respect to the laws and conventions governing football and as such we will never deviate from articulating our competence in good governance and efficient financial management. We will also never relent

in forging genuine partnership with stakeholders, including the Government of The Gambia and the private sector.

The Year 2020 has been difficult as the Federation amongst other world sports bodies have suffered major setbacks that crumbled our much-loved sport. Despite the hurdles, we were able to enjoy the support and collaboration of the stakeholders and our partners as the global pandemic is still here and not leaving anytime soon.

During the year under review however, notably at the beginning of 2020, The GFF in collaboration with CAF kicked off with a Week-long Women's Coaching Course for 7 Aside U-15 Girls for the first time in the country held at the National Technical Training Center in Yundum.

Twenty five (25) PE teachers from the selected schools took part in the first ever GFF D License Coaching Course for small sided games conceived by CAF. The Gambia is among sixteen countries selected by the continental football body as the cohort of the first batch of beneficiaries for the Course.

During the week long period, Coaches were introduced to the new methodologies of football training which amongst others include: improving individual skills on the ball, basic movements in football, emphasis on the importance of small sided games, the role of the Coach, and basic knowledge in First Aid. The exercise was coordinated by the Technical Department, GFF Women's Football Unit in collaboration with the German-Gambia Women's Football Project Manager, Monika Staab.

The GFF League Competitions kicked off uninterrupted with matches played across all our designated venues both in League One and Two of the male and female categories. The first round of the League was completed while teams anticipated for the Second and final round. Unfortunately, the League which is the Federation's top most activity had to be called off due to the Corona Virus pandemic that erupted across the world.

This development was necessitated following adequate consultation with the relevant stakeholders after the statement by His Excellency President Adama Barrow suspending all public gatherings followed by the National Sports Council and Ministry of Youth and Sports' pronouncement to suspend all sporting activities throughout the country for 21 days due to the growing concerns of the Corona Virus which has been declared by the WHO as a pandemic.

The GFF however continued to engage its stakeholders monitoring the situation as the Gambia Government takes the appropriate measures in combating the pandemic. We have further given advice and urged members of the football family to continue to adhere to the recommendations of the Ministry of Health and WHO at all times.

The GFF could not proceed with the matches even after the expiry of the 21 days lockdown due to the gravity of the Covid-19 pandemic. While monitoring the situation and in close consultation with our local health authorities, the Executive Committee finally called off the 2019/2020 Domestic League further declaring no winners, no promotions and relegations.

This development came amid due consultation with the GFF Member clubs as a result of the declaration of a State of Public Emergency by His Excellency President Adama Barrow.

The Covid-19 pandemic forced the GFF to scale down its staff at the Secretariat as in observance of Social Distancing measures recommended by the WHO and our local health authorities. Thus only the Senior Management Staff under the General Secretary were coming to work on essential assignments while others were allowed to work from home.

Furthermore, our much loved and watched local football Super Nawettan Championship had to be cancelled this year due to the pandemic. This competition is the most popular football activity in the country.

Distinguished delegates,

The year under review has not totally been scanty due to the situation which arose from then pandemic. On capacity building however, I am further pleased to report that three Senior authorities namely GFF1st Vice President Alh.Bakary K. Jammeh, General Secretary Lamin M. Jassey and Finance Director Kemo Ceessay are currently undergoing a FIFA Executive program in South Africa. This is conceived by FIFA for football managers around the world on FIFA Forward Program and general football management.

Following the withdrawal of the leader in the league table at the time of the calling off of the league, Real De Banjul from the CAF Club championship the GFF selected the current Number Two and Number Three of the 1st Division League (GAF FC and Gamtel FC) to represent the Gambia in the CAF Club Championship and Confederation's Cup respectively.

The year under review we have renewed our partnership with the Royale Morocco Football Federation. The two Years partnership agreement between the two Federations is effective March 12<sup>th</sup> 2020 with the objective to promote cooperation between the two federations. This amongst other items in the agreement is in order to develop exchanges and build bilateral relationship for greater synergy that will contribute to the development of Football.

During the meeting with my Moroccan counterpart, we further agreed to work on the development of football through the training of technicians and administrators as well as referees, through exchanging programs. The agreement also encompasses the development of sports event programs, and training workshops, mutual support between their sports training centers, organization of friendly matches and promoting the development of youth football.



Distinguished stakeholders,

I am pleased to announce that Gambia Football Federation during the course of the year signed a Cooperation Agreement with the Spanish Football Federation on 11<sup>th</sup> March 2020 in Madrid, Spain. This was made possible at the invitation of the Spanish FA President Mr. Luis Rubiales. In a similar vein, the GFF President during a visit to Jeddah, Saudi Arabia signed a Memorandum of Agreement with the Saudi Arabia Football Federation. Both agreements are aimed at formalizing the bilateral relationship between the GFF and the two federations.

Key amongst the two agreements are cooperation in: coaching, refereeing and Administration, Women's and Youth football development, Infrastructure development, test matches and training camps for the Gambia Senior National Team and other categories of national teams, Club Licensing and Professionalization of the domestic League and exchange visits.



Distinguished guests and our esteem stakeholders;

Please allow me further to state that following the FIFA Communiqué regarding the Corona Virus (Covid-19) immediate Relief Fund for Member Associations, the Gambia

Football Federation (GFF) received the Operational Cost Support of **\$500,000:00** as earlier promised by FIFA which is normally received in July upon successful completion of the ten point Forward 2.0 criteria.

Accordingly, the GFF Executive Committee at its Special Executive Committee meeting held on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> May, 2020, approved the following payments:

1. **47 Clubs to be paid the 2<sup>nd</sup> Operational Cost of D100,000:00 each at a tune of D4,700,000:00**
2. **47 Clubs to be paid Advance Payment for Covid-19 Support of D50,000:00 each at a tune of D2,35000:00**
3. **Seven (7) Regional Football Associations at D100,000:00 each at a tune of D700,000:00 for the Operational Support**
4. **Referees indemnity payment for 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Division (Male and Female) at a tune of D500,000:00**

The total amount of **D8, 250,000:00 (Eight Million, Two Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dalasi)** has been disbursed to Clubs and Regional Football Associations through their respective bank accounts.

The Gambia Football Federation through its appropriate Committees continued to study the situation in order to provide further support to the Football Family upon receipt of the promised Covid-19 Relief Fund from FIFA.

On infrastructure, the GFF continues to pursue the construction of new football stadia and rehabilitation of existing ones. Currently, three stadia are under construction namely: Gunjur, Busumballa, and NTTC. As part of GFF quest to play night matches, the lighting project in Banjul, SK West, SK East, and Brikama are in progress and near completion.

Due to the expansion of our intervention in infrastructure projects, two important committees were setup (Projects and Contracts Committee, and Procurement Committee) for the implementation of some key football development activities for the GFF.

GFF Projects and Contracts and Procurement Committees were inaugurated on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May, 2020 at a ceremony held at Football House in Kanifing. The establishment of the two ad hoc Committees is to ensure a more transparent and effective execution and implementation of GFF projects and activities.

During the year under review, the GFF Referees Department in collaboration with its affiliate Region, (West Coast Region Football Referees Association), organized a four day advanced Referees training workshop for 35 participants (26 male and 9 female).

The training was coordinated by GFF Referees manager Seedy Manneh and conducted by our FIFA trained Instructors.

The regular Grassroots football festival was further organized in Brusubi and Latriya with 30 young girls in a bid to introduce them to basic football standards. The GFF in collaboration with the Gambia-German Project successfully organized a D License Coaching Course for both 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Division Coaches in the National League.

On the Covid-19 pandemic, the GFF has aligned effectively with the World Health Organization, government of the Gambia and local Health authorities on the measures to combat the global menace. In the fight against the pandemic, the GFF as part of its obligation has donated sanitary materials that include 70 hand wash buckets with head taps, Sanitizers, liquid soap, bottles of 550ml Dettol, Bottles of bleach, bottles of 500ml hand sanitizers and other disinfectants amongst others.

The FIFA relief plan is a financial support approved by the FIFA council to the tune of 1.5 Million USD to each member association. 1 million USD for solidarity and 500,000.00 USD for women's football. Out of the solidarity fund, 500,000 USD has already been received and another 500,000 USD in January 2021 upon submission of the report. The total amount of 500,000

USD of the women's football grant has also been received.

As required by the Covid-19 Relief Plan Regulations, the GFF executive met and approved the budget for the disbursement of FIFA Covid-19 Relief Funds. As of date **(Sixteen Million, Five Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dalasis)** has been disbursed to Clubs, Regional Football Associations, Allied Associations and members of the general football family as part of the framework of the FIFA Covid-19 Relief Support funds for all Member Associations.

The payments were made following the successful completion of request forms that specifies the disbursement and expenditure format of the funds to the beneficiaries. The funds are paid into the Bank accounts of the beneficiaries that have submitted their request forms to the Secretariat.

The Covid-19 support funds are earmarked for the restart of Football, and support to the wider football community of all Member Associations of FIFA. It is primarily meant to ease the negative impacts of Covid-19 pandemic that halted football activities across the world and led to financial losses to the football community.

Distinguished delegates, ladies and gentlemen,

The GFF place premium on the National Team's engagements in competitions. As such, ahead of the resumption of Qualifiers for the AFCON, the National Team had a ten days training camp in Portugal where Coach Tom Saintfiet assembled 21 players to hone their skills and to further test newcomers that have been invited for the first time to the National team.

As part of the training camp, the Scorpions faced off against Congo in an international friendly match in Algarve and won by one nil. The second friendly against Guinea was called off due to Covid-19 infections that erupted at the Sylli National camp and thus a few of their players contracted the Virus.

The quest to resume the National League on a healthy lifestyle is a core responsibility for the Executive. It is our anticipation that at the beginning of the new League Season, all players would resume league football in good health and sound mind and thus the desire for the GFF Technical Department to organize a five days Covid-19 Training for club technicians in League One and Two. The workshops were meant to prepare and equip the Coaches with the necessary preventive measures and guidelines to combat Covid-19 by all actors in football. The courses were facilitated by the GFF Technical Department and instructed by CAF certified Coach Instructors Hon Alagie Sillah, Lamin Sambou and GFF Technical Director Sang Ndong.

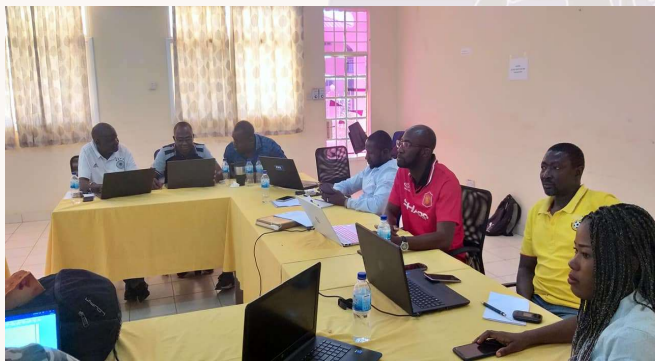


# GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE AND ADMINISTRATION

## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

In conformity with the GFF constitution (article 37) the executive committee meets regularly during the year under review to take decisions pertaining to football development on behalf of the football family. The meetings were normally attended by all elected and coopted executive members including regional presidents. Special executive committee meetings were also held to deal with the impact of Covid-19 on our football activities.

*As part of the GFF strategic objective to introduce a Professional League in the Gambia a delegation headed by Second Vice President Mr. Ebou Faye accompanied by Executive Committee member Sadibou Kamaso, and Competitions Director Baboucarr Jobe visited Morocco from the 15<sup>th</sup> January 2020 for a five days Study Tour.*



## SENIOR MANAGEMENT:

The Senior Management Team meets every Monday to review the previous week and plan for the coming week. The composition of the senior management team includes all heads of department and units. The team ensures the effective and efficient running of the secretariat. Meanwhile, during the pandemic limited meetings were held to deal with emergency issues and other related matters.

## STAFF MATTERS:

In conformity with the Covid-19 regulations of the Government of The Gambia, the number of staff working at the secretariat was scaled down as a measure to prevent staff contracting the corona virus. However, the senior management continues to report as skeleton staff for the continuation of office matters.

*Baboucarr Camara completes his studies in South Korea where he bags a master's degree in global sports management from the prestigious Seoul National University (SNU).*

He was awarded a scholarship to study global sports management by the Korea Sports Promotion Foundation (KSPO). In Collaboration with the Seoul National University. The program dubbed, 'dream together, master's' (DTM), is part of initiatives aim at developing sports administrators around the world.







## GIRLS COMPETITION

Women Football Development as a key priority area for the GFF, with the introduction of the “CAF 7 Aside Football Tournament”

The Gambia is one of the 16 MA's out of the 54 Member associations for the Pilot project. The objectives of the program are:

- To create awareness of women's Football across all schools in the country.
- To Encourage and identified mass participation of young girls to be groomed as future leaders.
- To promote girls participation in the game.

## YOUTH & GRASSROOTS

Ahead of the forth coming West Africa Football Union (WAFU) Zone A U-17 tournament scheduled to take place in Sierra Leone 2020, The Gambia Football Federation Technical Department started the process of recruiting the U17 (**Baby Scorpions**) from schools. 40 boys were qualified and all underwent MRI test have over the weekend conducted the Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) test conducted at the Edward Francis Small Teaching Hospital (EFSTH) in Banjul and facilitated by the GFF Medical Committee.

The final 30 (thirty) boys are presently in intense training awaiting the start of the Competitions.



# CAPACITY BUILDING

## Coaches / Instructors Training

Four training workshops on covid-19 and Football were organized by the Technical Department of the GFF in collaboration with the Gambia Football Coaches Association to educate and train club technicians on the organization and methods to use during pre-season preparations as per the GFF Covid-19 Guidelines.

The following personnel of clubs were trained:

- Head Coaches
- Goalkeeper Coaches
- Physiotherapists



## The Objectives of the trainings were:

- To develop together with club technicians, methods in conformity with observing the preventive measures outline by the Government and the Gambia Football Federation on the Covid-19 pandemic.
- Give support and guidelines on proper training and match organization
- Prepare club technicians for the restart of the League

## COACHES / INSTRUCTORS TRAINING

An online FIFA Mentorship Program for Coach Educators was conducted and attended by three instructors Mr. Sang J Ndong Technical Director, Rtd Hon. Alagie Sillah and Mr. Lamin Sambou under the Mentorship of FIFA Regional Consultant Mr. Serane.

The Technical Director of the GFF is currently undergoing an online FIFA mentorship training program which is aimed at building the capacity of Technical Directors.

## ADMINISTRATORS TRAINING

GFF personnel (First Vice President and Projects Manager Bakary K. Jammeh, General Secretary Lamin M. Jassey and Finance Director Kemo Ceesay, took part in the FIFA Executive Football Development Program organized by FIFA/CIES at the Nelson Mandela University in Port Elizabeth, South Africa.



Director of Competitions Baboucarr Jobe and IT/TMS Manager Omar Touray attended an online FIFA TMS training program aimed at Developing and Promoting the recent Transfer Matching System Protocols.



# REFEREES

GFF Referees Department in collaboration with West Coast Region Football Referees Association organized a four day intensive advance referees training course for 35 participants (26 male and 9 female) for Regional Referees from 18<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> January 2020 at the National Technical Training Centre. The training was Coordinated by The GFF Referees Manager Seedy Manneh and conducted by our FIFA trained Instructors.



## The Objectives of the training are:

- To strengthen the capacity of Regional Referees
- To acquaint participants on the laws of the game
- To educate Referees on the technical knowledge of the interpretation and application of the laws of the game
- To educate them on the Cooperation between Referees and the Assistant Referees during the match.
- To update the Referees with the new amendments of the Laws of the Game.

## FIFA ONLINE MA COURSE

FIFA Online MA Referees Course was held from the 13<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> July 2020 for the Elite A Referees and Assistant Referees male and female. 35 participants took part in the training comprising of (30 Males and 5 Females), 7 FIFA Referees, 9 FIFA Assistant Referees, 9 National Referees and 10 National Assistant Referees.



The course was conducted while observing the one-meter distance as per Covid-19 regulations.



## ONLINE YOUNG TALENT REFEREES VAR COURSE:



Lamin N Jammeh FIFA Referee took part in FIFA & CAF Online Young Talent Referees VAR Course from the 22<sup>nd</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup> August 2020 at Football House.

## CHAN PREPARATORY REFEREES COURSE ON VAR

Abdul Aziz Bollel Jawo FIFA Assistant Referee was invited by CAF to attend a five day Intensive Referees Training on Chan Preparatory Referees Course on VAR in Casablanca, Morocco from the 10<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> March 2020 for referees selected to participate in the Chan Tournament. Bakary Papa Gassama also attended as CAF VAR Instructor.



## MEDICS TRAINING



In its quest to build the capacities of football stakeholders on Covid-19 preventive measures ahead of the resumption of league football, the Gambia Football Federation on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> November 2020, completed a 3-day training For Medical Officers from 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Division League clubs.

# WOMEN'S FOOTBALL

## WOMEN'S FOOTBALL DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES

Women's Football remains a Key priority area for the Gambia Football federation. During the year, the following women football development activities were conducted despite the impact of the Covid-19 Pandemic.

### CAF/GFF U-15 SEVEN (7) ASIDE GIRLS FOOTBALL COMPETITION (PILOT PROJECT) JANUARY – MARCH, 2020

The Confederation of African Football (CAF) in collaboration with the Gambia Football Federation organized U-15 seven (7) aside Girls football tournament and a seven (7) days D License coaching course for 16 women P.E Teachers selected to participate in the competition at the National Technical Training Center (NTTC) from 13<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> January, 2020.

As part of the requirement of CAF, GFF is required to organize a D license coaching course for participating School P.E teachers before the commencement of the competition. The Gambia is among the 16 countries on the continent that is benefiting from the pilot project aimed at promoting and developing Women's Football.





The objective of the competition was to create awareness of girl's football across all schools in the country, to encourage and identify mass participation of young girls to be develop as future players and to promote and strengthen girl's participation in the game.

## WOMEN'S FOOTBALL VIRTUAL CONFERENCE ON LEADERSHIP

A day Video Conference on women's leadership training was held on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> October 2020 online. The objective of the virtual conference amongst others was to encourage and motivate women to rise up to the top level. Also, to hear their stories, share experiences and challenges they face and to tackle the constraints and overcome obstacles.

Key among the speakers were









- ✓ IOC Member Madam Beatrice Allen, (
- ✓ GFF First Vice President Bakary K. Jammeh,
- ✓ Dr. Yassin M'Boge.
- ✓ Sainey S. M'boge,
- ✓ Mariama Bojang of Paradise TV
- ✓ Aisha Veronic Malack,














# NATIONAL LEAGUE (WOMEN)

Due to the Covid-19 Pandemic all GFF Leagues were cancelled and declared null and void. However, the women first division league played 5 rounds and the second division played 8 rounds.

| 1st Division Women |   |   |   |   |   |   |    |    |     |
|--------------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|----|----|-----|
| Pos                | Club  | P | W | D | L | F | A  | GD | Pts |
| 1                  |  Abuko United          | 4 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 5 | 2  | 3  | 7   |
| 1                  |  Red Scorpions FC      | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 5 | 2  | 3  | 7   |
| 3                  |  Interior FC           | 3 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 6 | 4  | 2  | 6   |
| 4                  |  Immigration FC Women  | 4 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 4 | 4  | 0  | 6   |
| 5                  |  City Girls Fc         | 4 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 4 | 3  | 1  | 5   |
| 6                  |  Armed Forces FC Women | 4 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 3  | 0  | 5   |
| 7                  |  Brikama United Women  | 5 | 0 | 4 | 1 | 3 | 4  | -1 | 4   |
| 8                  |  Kintehs FC            | 5 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 10 | -8 | 2   |

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| 2nd Division Women |  |   |   |   |   |    |    |     |     |
|--------------------|--|---|---|---|---|----|----|-----|-----|
| Pos                | Club   | P | W | D | L | F  | A  | GD  | Pts |
| 1                  |  Jeshwang Utd     | 8 | 6 | 0 | 2 | 14 | 7  | 7   | 18  |
| 2                  |  Future BI        | 7 | 5 | 2 | 0 | 15 | 3  | 12  | 17  |
| 3                  |  Berewuleng       | 8 | 5 | 1 | 2 | 19 | 5  | 14  | 16  |
| 4                  |  Greater Tomorrow | 8 | 5 | 0 | 3 | 13 | 11 | 2   | 15  |
| 5                  |  Lower Nuimi FC   | 8 | 3 | 1 | 4 | 14 | 20 | -6  | 10  |
| 6                  |  Koita FC         | 8 | 1 | 5 | 2 | 11 | 11 | 0   | 8   |
| 7                  |  Raptim FC        | 7 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 11 | 13 | -2  | 8   |
| 8                  |  Prison FC        | 8 | 1 | 2 | 5 | 5  | 14 | -9  | 5   |
| 9                  |  Hart FC          | 8 | 0 | 1 | 7 | 4  | 22 | -18 | 1   |

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## NATIONAL WOMEN TEAM ENGAGEMENTS

### WAFU CHAMPIONSHIP IN SIERRA LEONE

The Gambia women senior national team took part in the first ever WAFU Women's Championship held in Sierra Leone to showcase the talents of Women Footballers within our sub region.

**Gambia 0-6 Mali**

26<sup>th</sup> February 2020



**Gambia 1-2 Liberia**

3<sup>rd</sup> March 2020



**Gambia 5-2 G-Bissau**

28<sup>th</sup> February 2020



Arret Njie Jah member of the GFF Women's Football Committee was designated as a Match Commissioner by WAFU. Arret Njie Jah, commissioned all the group matches in BO, the Semifinal and the Final. Two female referees Isatou Touray (Referee) and Abie Ceesay (Assistant Referee) participated in the tournament. Where Isatou Touray was voted the best Referee of the tournament and officiated the finals.



### AFCON U-20 QUALIFIERS

The National Women U20 participated in the AWCON qualifiers against Burkina Faso.

**Gambia 0 Burkina Faso 0**



**Burkina Faso 3 Gambia 2**



# COMPETITION (MALE)

## DOMESTIC LEAGUES

Due to the Covid-19 Pandemic all GFF Leagues were cancelled and declared null and void. However, the Male first division league played 14 rounds and the second division played 15 rounds.

| 1st Division Men |                   |    |   |    |   |    |    |     |     |
|------------------|-------------------|----|---|----|---|----|----|-----|-----|
| Pos              | Club              | P  | W | D  | L | F  | A  | GD  | Pts |
| 1                | Real De Banjul    | 14 | 8 | 5  | 1 | 20 | 10 | 10  | 29  |
| 2                | GAF               | 14 | 6 | 5  | 3 | 12 | 6  | 6   | 23  |
| 3                | Gamtel FC         | 14 | 6 | 4  | 4 | 10 | 9  | 1   | 22  |
| 4                | Waa Banjul FC     | 14 | 4 | 9  | 1 | 8  | 4  | 4   | 21  |
| 5                | Banjul United     | 14 | 4 | 8  | 2 | 15 | 9  | 6   | 20  |
| 6                | GPA               | 14 | 5 | 5  | 4 | 13 | 11 | 2   | 20  |
| 7                | Hawks FC          | 14 | 4 | 7  | 3 | 11 | 8  | 3   | 19  |
| 8                | Wallidan FC       | 14 | 2 | 11 | 1 | 7  | 6  | 1   | 17  |
| 9                | Brikama United    | 14 | 2 | 9  | 3 | 15 | 16 | -1  | 15  |
| 10               | Tallinding United | 14 | 2 | 7  | 5 | 8  | 11 | -3  | 13  |
| 11               | Fortune FC        | 14 | 1 | 10 | 3 | 7  | 11 | -4  | 13  |
| 12               | BK Milan          | 14 | 2 | 6  | 6 | 9  | 15 | -6  | 12  |
| 13               | Marimoo FC        | 14 | 2 | 6  | 6 | 9  | 18 | -9  | 12  |
| 14               | Elite United FC   | 14 | 1 | 6  | 7 | 9  | 19 | -10 | 9   |

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| 2nd Division Men |                        |    |   |   |   |    |    |     |     |
|------------------|------------------------|----|---|---|---|----|----|-----|-----|
| Pos              | Club                   | P  | W | D | L | F  | A  | GD  | Pts |
| 1                | Latrikunda United      | 15 | 7 | 6 | 2 | 17 | 8  | 9   | 27  |
| 2                | PSV Wellingara         | 15 | 5 | 8 | 2 | 16 | 7  | 9   | 23  |
| 3                | Immigration FC         | 15 | 6 | 5 | 4 | 14 | 10 | 4   | 23  |
| 4                | Bombada FC             | 15 | 6 | 5 | 4 | 13 | 10 | 3   | 23  |
| 5                | Red Hawks FC           | 15 | 6 | 5 | 4 | 14 | 14 | 0   | 23  |
| 6                | Falcons FC             | 15 | 7 | 1 | 7 | 20 | 17 | 3   | 22  |
| 7                | Team Rhino FC          | 15 | 6 | 4 | 5 | 16 | 14 | 2   | 22  |
| 8                | B4U Kiang West FC      | 15 | 6 | 3 | 6 | 19 | 19 | 0   | 21  |
| 9                | Young Africans FC      | 15 | 4 | 8 | 3 | 13 | 11 | 2   | 20  |
| 10               | Samger FC              | 15 | 4 | 7 | 4 | 10 | 10 | 0   | 19  |
| 11               | Gunjur FC              | 14 | 5 | 3 | 6 | 20 | 18 | 2   | 18  |
| 12               | Jarra West FC          | 15 | 5 | 3 | 7 | 15 | 23 | -8  | 18  |
| 13               | 2nd Infantry Battalion | 15 | 5 | 3 | 7 | 17 | 27 | -10 | 18  |
| 14               | Jam City FC            | 15 | 3 | 8 | 4 | 12 | 13 | -1  | 17  |
| 15               | Steve Biko FC          | 15 | 1 | 9 | 5 | 11 | 16 | -5  | 12  |
| 16               | SK East Bi FC          | 14 | 1 | 7 | 6 | 3  | 13 | -10 | 10  |

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## INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIONS

### WAFU A U- 20 AFCON Qualifiers Mauritania 2021



# SENIOR NATIONAL TEAM

## AFCON QUALIFIERS CAMEROON 2022

### Portugal Training Camp, 5<sup>th</sup> - 14<sup>th</sup> October 2020.

Ahead of the resumption of Qualifiers for the AFCON, The Gambia football federation through Mc Sports agency organized a 10 days training camp for the senior national team in Faro Portugal where Coach Tom Saintfiet assembled 21 players to hone their skills and to

further test new comers that have been invited for the first time at National team.

As part of the training camp, the Scorpions faced off Congo in a friendly international in Algarve and beat them one nil. The second friendly against Guinea was called off due to Covid-19 infections that erupted at the Sylli National camp and thus a few of their players contracted the Virus. The training camp was one of the most successful in recent times despite the covid-19 restrictions.



## Gabon 2 Vs Gambia 1, Franceville 12<sup>th</sup> November 2020

**Gabon 2-1 Gambia**

12<sup>th</sup> November 2020



**Gambia 2-1 Gabon**

16<sup>th</sup> November 2020



| Group D |  |          |   |   |   |   |    |     |
|---------|--|----------|---|---|---|---|----|-----|
| Pos.    |  |          | P | W | D | L | GD | Pts |
| 1       |  | Gambia   | 4 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2  | 7   |
| 2       |  | Gabon    | 4 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1  | 7   |
| 3       |  | Congo DR | 4 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 1  | 6   |
| 4       |  | Angola   | 4 | 0 | 1 | 3 | -4 | 1   |

The Gambia is on the verge of qualification to its first ever Africa Cup of Nations Finals following the Scorpions impressive performances at the Qualifiers with 7 points (+2) on top of Group D with two match days to go.

## GFF PLAYER REGISTRATION SYSTEM

The new GFF Player Registration System is setup to replace the current paper-based into a player database system with a web-interface so that coaches, football stakeholders, sports institutions, and players will benefit from data collection and information sharing efficiently anywhere in the world.

**GFF PRS**  
PLAYER REGISTRATION SYSTEM

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Press Statement- GFF Postpones All League Matches March 18, 2020

**FIXTURES**

December 4, 2019  
2nd Division Men  
**IMMIGRATION FC VS STEVE BIKO FC**  
1 - 0

December 4, 2019  
2nd Division Men  
**PSV WELLINGARA VS RED HAWKS FC**  
2 - 0

December 5, 2019  
2nd Division Men  
**FALCONS FC VS YOUNG AFRICANS FC**  
0 - 1

December 5, 2019  
2nd Division Men  
**LATRIKUNDA UNITED VS SAMGER FC**  
0 - 1

**RESULTS**

March 20, 2020  
4:45 pm  
2nd Division Women  
Manjal Mini Stadium  
**RAPTIM FC VS FUTURE BI**

March 19, 2020  
5:00 pm  
2nd Division Men  
SK East Mini Stadium  
**FALCONS FC VS SK EAST BI FC**

March 19, 2020  
5:00 pm  
2nd Division Men  
Brikama Mini Stadium  
**GUNJUR FC VS SAMGER FC**

**UPCOMING MATCHES**

| Date             | Match                                | Time    | Results |
|------------------|--------------------------------------|---------|---------|
| December 4, 2019 | Immigration fc vs Steve Biko FC      | 4:30 pm | 1 - 0   |
| December 4, 2019 | PSV Wellingara vs Red Hawks FC       | 4:30 pm | 2 - 0   |
| December 5, 2019 | Falcons fc vs Young Africans FC      | 4:30 pm | 0 - 1   |
| December 5, 2019 | Latrikunda United vs Samger FC       | 4:30 pm | 0 - 1   |
| December 5, 2019 | Bombada FC vs 2nd Infantry Battalion | 4:30 pm | 3 - 0   |
| December 6, 2019 | Gunjur FC vs Team Rhino FC           | 4:30 pm | 2 - 0   |

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**September 2020**

| M  | T  | W  | T  | F  | S  | S  |
|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
|    | 1  | 2  | 3  | 4  | 5  | 6  |
| 7  | 8  | 9  | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 |
| 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 |
| 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 |
| 28 | 29 | 30 |    |    |    |    |

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**1st Division**

| Pos | Club           | P  | W | D | L | F  | A  | GD |
|-----|----------------|----|---|---|---|----|----|----|
| 1   | Real De Banjul | 14 | 8 | 5 | 1 | 20 | 10 | 10 |
| 2   | GAF            | 14 | 6 | 5 | 3 | 12 | 6  | 6  |
| 3   | Gamtel FC      | 14 | 6 | 4 | 4 | 10 | 9  | 1  |
| 4   | Waa Banjul FC  | 14 | 4 | 9 | 1 | 8  | 4  | 4  |
| 5   | Banjul United  | 14 | 4 | 8 | 2 | 15 | 9  | 6  |

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## OBJECTIVES OF THE REGISTRATION SYSTEM.

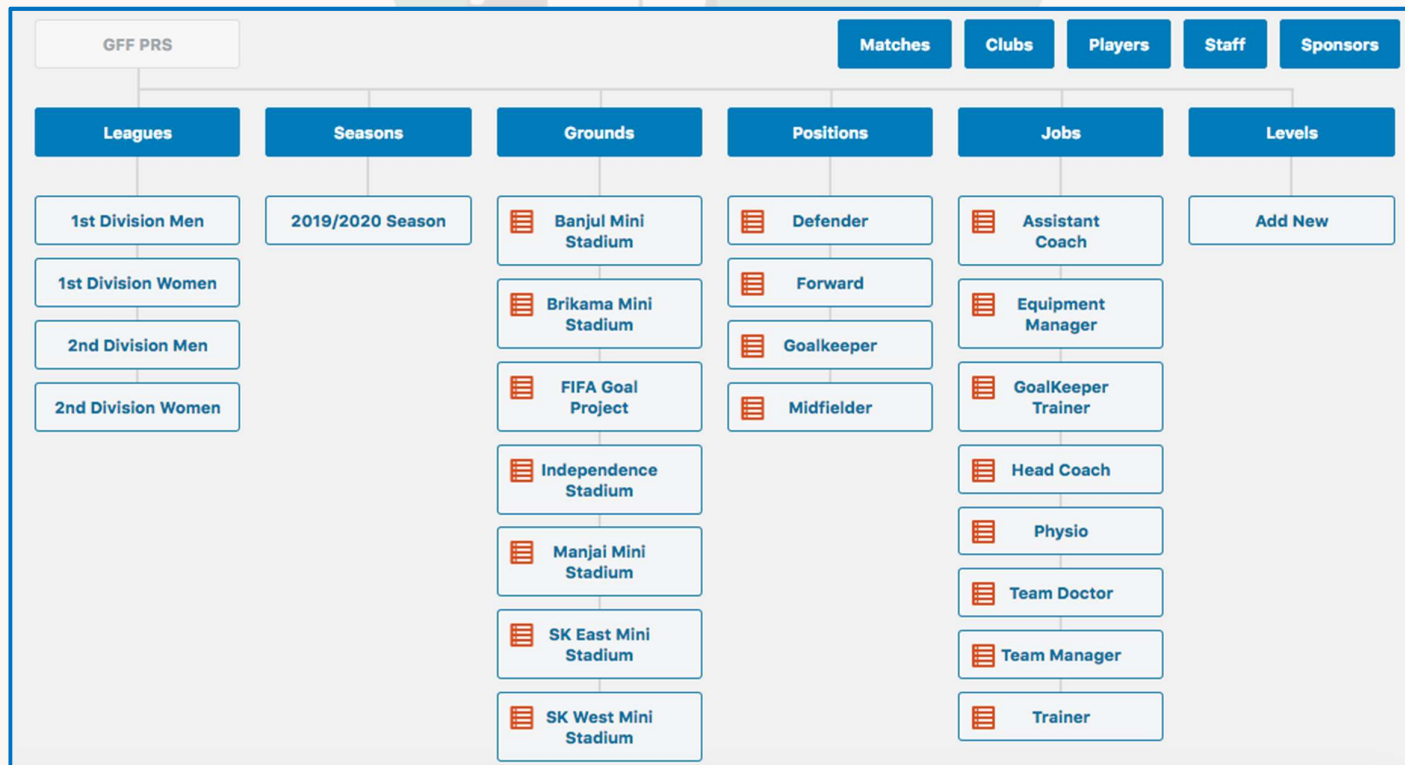
1. The System serves as a database for every player in the First and Second Division Clubs.
2. The mistakes of missing player's information and records will be minimized.
3. A central system that can be access anywhere using internet.
4. The system will serve as a link to all major Football Clubs in the Gambia to our network of online football database so that club owners, researchers, and coaches can freely exchange player's footballing history information much easier, faster and safer.

## FORMAT OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PRS

Competition Director Baboucarr Jobe, and IT/TMS Manager Omar Touray, invited two representatives from both first and second division clubs' men and women to the football house for a 2 days training on how to effectively use and register its players in the system.

Clubs and Competition Department officials were also trained on how to use the system, process player's registration and entering league data in the PRS.

*The Diagram below is the breakdown of the PRS system overview and the functions it entails*



## REGISTRATION OF CLUBS:

1. 14 1<sup>st</sup> Division Male Clubs Registered in the system
2. 16 2<sup>nd</sup> Division Male Clubs registered in the system
3. 8 1<sup>st</sup> Division Women Clubs registered in the system
4. 9 2<sup>nd</sup> Division Women Clubs Registered in the System.

Furthermore, Club representatives were trained successfully and the system was officially launched for clubs to finally start their registration processes while a designated member in the competition department approves players in the system.

## TARGETS:

During the initial stage of the project, the system would focus on a subset of our target end-user, that's the first and second division and gradually expand the project to include all other regional division clubs.

# COVID-19 SUPPORTS TO FOOTBALL FAMILY

The Gambia Football Federation Executive Committee approved the budget and finalized the appropriation of the FIFA Covid-19 Relief Support to the football family after completing a vigorous stakeholder consultation and in line with FIFA regulation guideline of the disbursement of Covid-19 Relief Fund.

The funds earmarked for the restart of Football, and support to the wider football community of all Member Associations of FIFA, Is primarily meant to ease the negative impacts of Covid-19 pandemic that halted football activities across the world and led to financial losses to the football community.

For an equitable distribution of the funds, the GFF has devised a scheme for all Clubs, Regional Football Associations, Allied Associations and the wider football family to request for the release of the funds into their various accounts.

|   | Wider Football Community |                      |                      |                      | Women's Football |                      |
|---|--------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|------------------|----------------------|
|   | FIFA/August              | CAF/September        | FIFA/January         | Total                | FAIF(WF)/August  |                      |
| <b>1 INCOME</b>   | <b>US\$1/D51.80</b>      | <b>US\$1/D51.80</b>  | <b>US\$1/D51.80</b>  | <b>US\$1/D51.80</b>  |                  |                      |
| FIFA Support  | 25,900,000.00            |                      | 25,900,000.00        | 51,800,000.00        | 77               | 25,900,000.00        |
| CAF Support   |                          | 15,540,000.00        |                      | 15,540,000.00        | 23               |                      |
| <b>Total</b>  | <b>25,900,000.00</b>     | <b>15,540,000.00</b> | <b>25,900,000.00</b> | <b>67,340,000.00</b> | <b>100</b>       | <b>25,900,000.00</b> |
| <b>2 Proposed Expenditure</b>   |                          |                      |                      |                      |                  |                      |
| <b>Restart of Football after Covid 19</b>   |                          |                      |                      |                      |                  |                      |
| A Medical Protocol for the restart League for all venues and clubs                    | 1,250,000.00             | -                    | 2,750,000.00         | 4,000,000.00         |                  |                      |
| B Competition Department - Management of Leagues                                      | 1,025,000.00             | -                    | 1,075,000.00         | 2,100,000.00         |                  |                      |
| C Administration  | -                        | 1,250,000.00         | 1,535,000.00         | 2,785,000.00         |                  |                      |
| D Technical Department - Capacity Building  | 1,975,000.00             | -                    | 1,225,000.00         | 3,200,000.00         |                  |                      |
| E Infrastructure (Soma, Banjul, Bakau, SK East, SK West, Manjai & Brikama) Upliftment | 4,400,000.00             | 6,575,000.00         | 700,000.00           | 11,675,000.00        |                  |                      |
| F Women Football Strategy - Capacity Building   | -                        | 1,000,000.00         | 1,000,000.00         | 2,000,000.00         |                  |                      |
| G Women Football National Team Protocols (Liberia & Guinea Bissau)                    | -                        | -                    | -                    | -                    |                  | 2,000,000.00         |
| H Equipment for Women Football Teams  | -                        | -                    | -                    | -                    |                  | 5,025,000.00         |
| I Purchase of Vehicle for Women Football Department                                   | -                        | -                    | -                    | -                    |                  | 2,075,000.00         |
| <b>Total Expenses for Restart of Football</b>   | <b>8,650,000.00</b>      | <b>8,825,000.00</b>  | <b>8,285,000.00</b>  | <b>25,760,000.00</b> | <b>38</b>        | <b>9,100,000.00</b>  |
| <b>Wider Football Community Support</b>   |                          |                      |                      |                      |                  |                      |
| <b>Clubs</b>  |                          |                      |                      |                      |                  |                      |
| A 1st Division Teams Male (14 Teams @ D600,000.00 each)                               | 4,200,000.00             | -                    | 4,200,000.00         | 8,400,000.00         |                  | -                    |
| B 1st Division Teams Female (8 Teams @ D600,000.00 each)                              | -                        | -                    | -                    | -                    |                  | 4,800,000.00         |
| C 2nd Division Teams Male (16 Teams @ D500,000.00 each )                              | 4,000,000.00             | -                    | 4,000,000.00         | 8,000,000.00         |                  | -                    |
| D 2nd Division Teams Female (9 Teams @ D500,000.00 each )                             | -                        | -                    | -                    | -                    |                  | 4,500,000.00         |
| E Regional 3rd Division Male Clubs (104 Teams @D100,000.00 each)                      | 5,200,000.00             | -                    | 5,200,000.00         | 10,400,000.00        |                  | -                    |
| F Regional 3rd Division Female (42Teams @D100,000.00 each)                            | -                        | -                    | -                    | -                    |                  | 4,200,000.00         |
| <b>Total Support to Clubs</b>   | <b>13,400,000.00</b>     | <b>-</b>             | <b>13,400,000.00</b> | <b>26,800,000.00</b> | <b>40</b>        | <b>13,500,000.00</b> |
| <b>Associations</b>   |                          |                      |                      |                      |                  |                      |
| G Regional Football Association (7 Regions @D1,000,000.00 each)                       | 2,100,000.00             | -                    | 2,100,000.00         | 4,200,000.00         |                  | 2,800,000.00         |
| H Allied Football Associations (3 Associations @D300,000.00 each)                     | 450,000.00               | -                    | 450,000.00           | 900,000.00           |                  | -                    |
| I Women Football Association  | -                        | -                    | -                    | -                    |                  | 500,000.00           |
| J School Football Association)  | 200,000.00               | -                    | 200,000.00           | 400,000.00           |                  | -                    |
| K Regional (Referees/Coaches/Women)Association (7 @200,000 each)                      | 700,000.00               | -                    | 700,000.00           | 1,400,000.00         |                  | -                    |
| L Sports Journalist Association   | 200,000.00               | -                    | -                    | 200,000.00           |                  | -                    |
| M Gambia Football Veterans Association  | 200,000.00               | -                    | -                    | 200,000.00           |                  | -                    |
| N Football Hotel - GFF Outstanding  | -                        | 1,000,000.00         | -                    | 1,000,000.00         |                  | -                    |
| <b>Total Support to Associations</b>  | <b>3,850,000.00</b>      | <b>1,000,000.00</b>  | <b>3,450,000.00</b>  | <b>8,300,000.00</b>  | <b>12</b>        | <b>3,300,000.00</b>  |
| <b>Total Support to Clubs and Associations</b>  | <b>17,250,000.00</b>     | <b>1,000,000.00</b>  | <b>16,850,000.00</b> | <b>35,100,000.00</b> | <b>52</b>        | <b>16,800,000.00</b> |
| <b>Other Stakeholders</b>   |                          |                      |                      |                      |                  |                      |
| A Referees(98 Referees @ D10,000.00 each)   | -                        | 490,000.00           | 490,000.00           | 980,000.00           |                  | -                    |
| B Referees Assessors (24 RAs @D10,000 each)   | -                        | 120,000.00           | 120,000.00           | 240,000.00           |                  | -                    |
| C Match Commissioners and General Coordinators(31MCs &GCs @ D10,000 each)             | -                        | 155,000.00           | 155,000.00           | 310,000.00           |                  | -                    |
| D GFF Sub- Committees, Independent Boards, Ad-hoc Committees and Volunteers           | -                        | 4,000,000.00         | -                    | 4,000,000.00         |                  | -                    |
| E Senior National Team Outstanding Bonus (Gambia Vs DRC) Draw Bonus                   | -                        | 950,000.00           | -                    | 950,000.00           |                  | -                    |
| <b>Total Support to Other Stakeholders</b>  | <b>-</b>                 | <b>5,715,000.00</b>  | <b>765,000.00</b>    | <b>6,480,000.00</b>  | <b>10</b>        | <b>-</b>             |
| <b>Grand Total</b>  | <b>25,900,000.00</b>     | <b>15,540,000.00</b> | <b>25,900,000.00</b> | <b>67,340,000.00</b> | <b>100</b>       | <b>25,900,000.00</b> |

# INFRASTRUCTURAL DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS

## 8.1 THE LIGHTING PROJECTS

The construction of Floodlights at 4 Football grounds, Banjul Mini Stadium, Serrekunda West Mini Stadium, Serrekunda East Mini Stadium and Brikama Mini Stadium have begun and been tested while a few adjustments remain before commissioning of the facilities to enable night matches to be played at these venues for the first time in the history of football in the Gambia.

## 8.1 THE THREE FIELDS BUSUMBALA, GUNJUR AND NTTC

The GFF obtained approval from FIFA for the implementation of infrastructure projects in the Greater Banjul Area for the construction of Football Fields in Busumbala, Gunjur and NTTC in phases. The projects works are in progress in the various sites.

## 8.2 SECRETARIAT VEHICLES PROJECT

Mobility was one of the main constraints of the Gambia Football Federation costing the GFF considerable cost and under pinning efficiency in football development in The Gambia. Previously the federation has no running vehicles because the entire fleet has past their useful lives and very expensive to maintain.



The GFF had to resort to hiring vehicles for all our errands costing the federation \$20,000 Per Annum. The President, General Secretary and Senior Management Staff were using their own vehicles where possible for their official jobs.



In the light of the above, the GFF presented a Vehicle project to FIFA through the Regional office in Dakar for the purchase vehicles for'

1. Office of the President
2. Office of the General Secretary
3. Technical Department
4. Finance Department
5. Competitions Department
6. Communications and Marketing Department
7. Utility Van

The GFF vehicle Project shall save the GFF \$35,000 Per Annum that was the cost of maintaining the old fleet and cost of hire. Furthermore, the vehicle project will greatly enhance efficiency at the Federation.

The Regional Office had played a very vital role in getting the project approve by FIFA by guiding the Federation in filling the right forms and making a strong case as the project was a special one. We can happily state that the 7 Vehicles are purchase from the FIFA Development fund and are up and running.





# FINANCIAL REPORT

| PERIOD                                  | 2019              | 2018              | 2017              | 2016              |
|---|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| CURRENCY                                | GMD               | GMD               | GMD               | GMD               |
| <b>Fixed Assets</b>                     |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| Tangibles (Property, Plant & Equipment) | 70,137,285        | 66,997,414        | 67,221,934        | 70,767,086        |
| Investment                              |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| Fixed Deposit                           | -                 | -                 | -                 | -                 |
|   | <b>70,137,285</b> | <b>66,997,414</b> | <b>67,221,934</b> | <b>70,767,086</b> |
| <b>Current Assets</b>                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| Bank and Cash Balances                  | 943,582           | 415,448           | 854,120           | 574,882           |
| Staff Debtors                           | 570,087           | 400,592           | 406,139           | 363,348           |
| Other (Club Fines Due to Federation)    | 117,315           | 111,015           | 52,300            | -                 |
|   | <b>1,630,984</b>  | <b>927,055</b>    | <b>1,312,559</b>  | <b>938,230</b>    |
| <b>Total Assets</b>                     | <b>71,768,269</b> | <b>67,924,469</b> | <b>68,534,493</b> | <b>71,705,316</b> |
| <b>Current Liabilities</b>              |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| Bank Overdraft                          | 8,172,801         | 8,221,316         | 290,683           | 135,113           |
| Creditors                               | 2,950,620         | 4,438,207         | 3,529,073         | 1,973,723         |
|   | <b>11,123,421</b> | <b>12,659,523</b> | <b>3,819,756</b>  | <b>2,108,836</b>  |
| <b>Equity &amp; Reserves</b>            |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| Accumulated Fund                        | 19,449,178        | 8,950,717         | 13,281,948        | 13,045,133        |
| FIFA Capital Grant                      | 41,195,669        | 46,314,229        | 51,432,788        | 56,551,347        |
|   | <b>60,644,847</b> | <b>55,264,946</b> | <b>64,714,736</b> | <b>69,596,480</b> |
| <b>Total Equity &amp; Reserves</b>      | <b>71,768,268</b> | <b>67,924,469</b> | <b>68,534,492</b> | <b>71,705,316</b> |

# FOOTBALL HOTEL



The Football Hotel was not in operation due to the impact of Corona Virus Pandemic.

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