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The first Goal Project

The *Goal* Bureau designated China as a beneficiary of funds for a *Goal* project on 2 November 2002. In collaboration with the Development Office in Kuala Lumpur, the Chinese FA submitted plans for a project to build association headquarters, which the *Goal* Bureau approved at its meeting on 15 October 2003. However due to landownership regulations, the CFA proposed to purchase two floors of an existing new building. The purchase was completed on 15 March 2006. The new headquarters will enable better coordination and administration of all football activities across the country. The Middle Kingdom has high hopes for its football association. With the senior national team having qualified for the 2002 FIFA World Cup Korea/Japan 2002™, Chinese fans are now looking for further success from their Olympic team at the Beijing Olympics 2008. The *Goal* project will help the Chinese FA realise its long-term development plans in all aspects of football. The project will also make it possible for the management of the association to be restructured and the head count to be increased.

The FIFA Financial Assistance Programme has already enabled a grassroots programme for boys and girls to be set up.



Financing of Goal project

Project

Association headquarters in Beijing

Project approved

15 October 2003

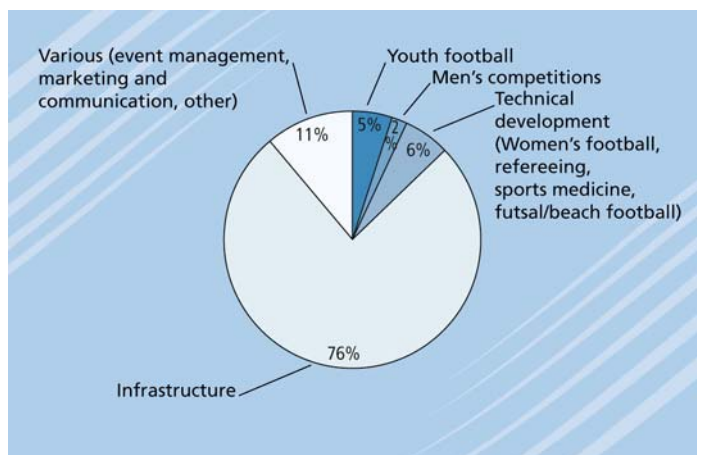
Status

Opened on 22 September 2007

Financed by

Goal	USD	400,000
FAP	USD	955,000
Total cost	USD	1,355,000

Use of FAP funds



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Second Goal project

The Chinese Football Association project, which was approved by the Goal Bureau on 4 February 2008, will concentrate on making significant energy savings, which will then be invested in development work. The national football academy, which up until now has spent USD 40,000 per month on heating and air conditioning, will be fitted with a state-of-the-art system that uses renewable energy and will therefore be considerably more environment friendly.

Use of FAP funds

Project

Installation of an environmentally friendly heating and air conditioning system at the national football academy

Project approved

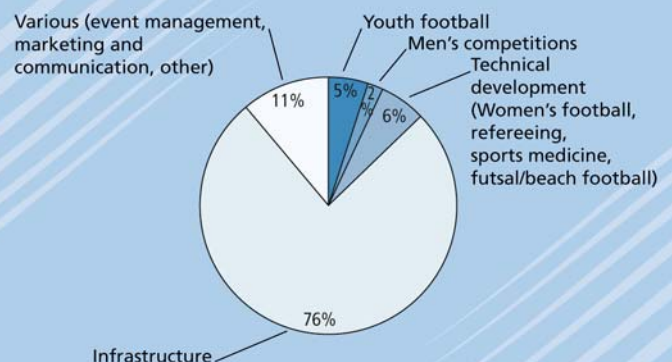
4 February 2008

Status

Implementation

Financed by

Goal	USD	400,000
Other sources	USD	272,147
Association	USD	270,448
Total cost	USD	942,595



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Third Goal project

Given the often poor weather conditions in the region where the national football training centre is located, the Chinese Football Association decided to add a retractable roof to the centre's football pitch. This second project means that the pitch is now usable all year round in all conditions, thus eliminating the need for players to travel elsewhere due to bad weather.

Use of FAP funds

Project

Addition of a retractable roof to the artificial turf pitch of the national training centre

Project approved on

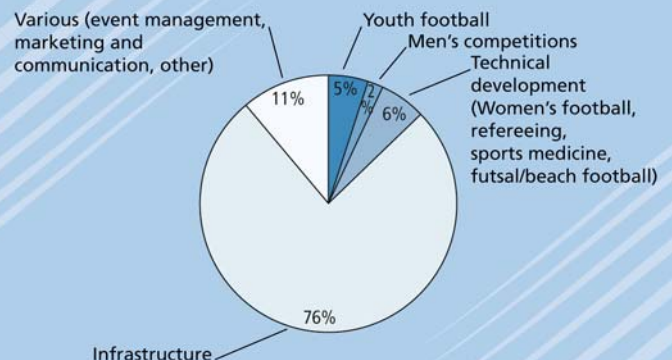
2 June 2009

Status

Implementation

Financed by

Goal	USD	400,000
FAP	USD	210,000
MA	USD	30,686
Total cost	USD	640,686



Football education and courses	No of courses until 1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
		FUTURO III regional courses																			
Refereeing (men and women)																				●	
Coaching (men)															□				●		
Coaching (women)																					
Administration and management																				●	
Football medicine															□						
Seminars																					
Women's football																				●	
Futsal																					
Com-Unity																					
MA Seminars																				●	
MA courses																					
Administration																					
Refereeing (men and women)					●	●				●	●			●						●	
Coaching (men and women)																●					
Beach soccer																					
Futsal																					
Olympic solidarity coaching courses					●																
Development courses and academies (1975 - 1990)	4		●	●																	
FUTURO I-II courses for all football branches																					

●: Course host country □: Course participant in another country

Women's football

When, in 1995, today's FIFA President said "The future of football is feminine", it was more than mere lip service. It reflected a strong belief in the huge potential that women's football has to develop. Ever since, FIFA has given targeted support for the efforts of associations who offer women the same opportunities to develop as male players. Launched in 1998, FIFA's Financial Assistance Programme (FAP) introduced a requirement in 2004 for the associations and confederations to invest at least 4% of their FAP funding into women's football. This threshold was increased to 10% in 2005. On top of this commitment, FIFA also promotes the women's game in more general ways by directly financing women's matches and organising competitions and symposiums. Thanks to its development programmes, FIFA is also playing an active role in the training of administrators, coaches, referees and sports doctors.



Chinese enthusiasts are proud supporters of their teams

Does an organised women's football set-up exist?	yes
If so, since when?	1980
From which age on, players are registered?	14
Women's teams (open or over 16 years)	64
Women's teams (below 16 years, youth)	547
National competition (or women's league)	yes
Regional competitions	yes
University competitions	yes
School competitions	yes
Futsal competitions	n/a
National "A" team	yes
National youth teams: age categories	U-14, U-17, U-19



The U-19 women's national team