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The first Goal Project

There are, as yet, no success stories to report from the Pacific island, but the locals are pinning high hopes on the training centre opened by OFC President Basil Scarsella on 24 May 2002 with the help of Goal and the Financial Assistance Programme. «For the first time in its history, the national association can now hold training and promotional courses for all categories of football under one roof,» declared a contented association president, Madiu K. Andrew, during his opening address. Its geographical location and a dearth of good roads render transport difficult and consequently obstruct football activities. Now the sports complex offers training and promotional facilities for all football categories in a central location. The focus is on youth and women's football, training camps for national teams in various age categories before international competitions and for courses in a range of areas. The sports complex incorporates the offices for Papua New Guinea's football administration.



Financing of Goal project

Project

National association headquarters and national training centre with two pitches in Lae, Morobe Province

Project approved

29 October 2001

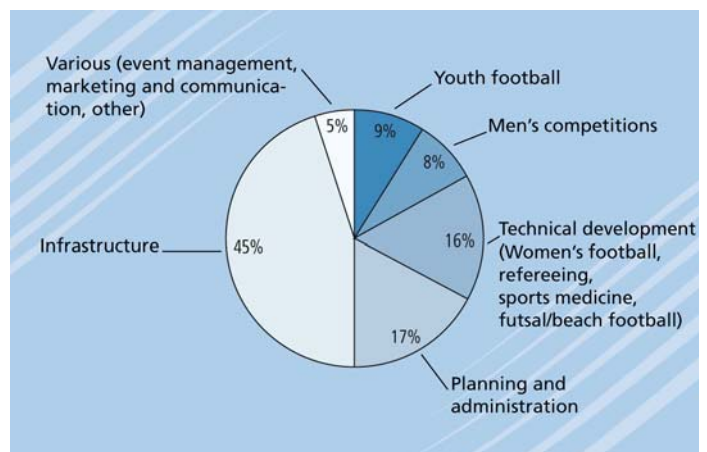
Status

Building opened on 24 May 2003

Financed by

Goal	USD	400,000
FAP	USD	200,000
Total cost	USD	600,000

Use of FAP funds



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Second Goal project

In a change to the project approved by the Goal Bureau on 3 December 2006, the second project will see the upgrading of the already constructed national football academy in Lae. A technical centre, the first of its kind in the region, will also be built in Kimbe, West New Britain, to focus on grooming young players through structured development programmes. The association also expects these two centres to provide administrative support. The Goal Bureau approved this project, which should take five months to complete, on 22 October 2008.

Financing of Goal project

Project

Upgrading of the national football academy in Lae and construction of a regional technical centre in Kimbe, West New Britain

Project approved on
22 October 2008

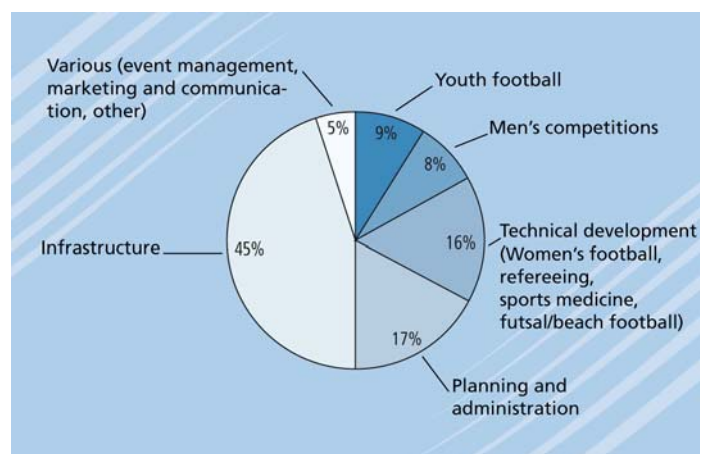
Status
Implementation

Financed by

Goal USD 400,000

Total cost USD 400,000

Use of FAP funds



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)	1																				
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.



Does an organised women's football set-up exist?	yes
If so, since when?	1979
From which age on, players are registered?	12
Women's teams (open or over 16 years)	105
Women's teams (below 16 years, youth)	118
National competition (or women's league)	yes
Regional competitions	n/a
University competitions	yes
School competitions	yes
Futsal competitions	no
National "A" team	yes
National youth teams: age categories	U-20



The Papua New Guinea national team