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The first Goal Project

On 23 May 2003, FIFA President Joseph S. Blatter opened the football school of the Armenian FA. In Yerevan, this school is known as «Malatia». The former state-run institution was built in 1966, was the best of its kind and counts many talented footballers among its alumni. The national association was able to assume control of the institute, renovating it with money provided by the Goal Programme. The remaining costs were covered by the FIFA Financial Assistance Programme and the Armenian Government. The football school has five large and two small grass pitches, a number of sand pitches, dressing rooms, a massage room, a swimming pool and even a sauna. The new director, Mikhael Zakharian, has in been in charge for over a year. Currently, approximately 700 students, between the ages of 7 and 17 and divided into 32 teams, are studying there. Zakharian's goal is to provide a better future for as many children as possible.



Financing of Goal project

Project

Renovation of youth football school in Yerevan

Project approved

4 July 2001

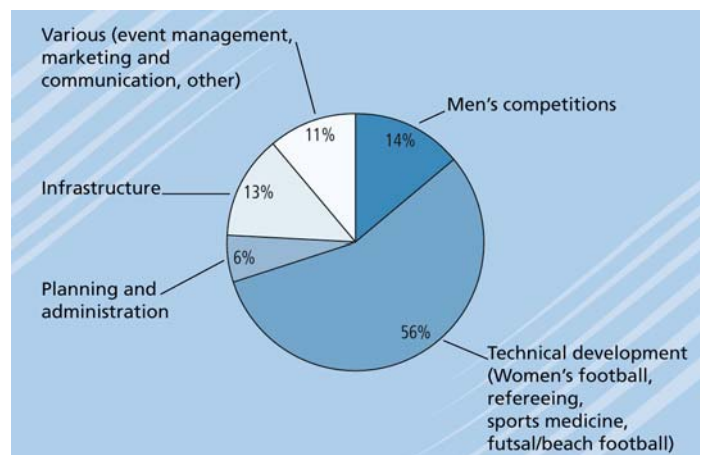
Status

Opened on 23 May 2003

Financed by

Goal	USD	400,000
FAP	USD	10,000
Government	USD	70,000 and land
Total cost	USD	480,000

Use of FAP funds



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The second Goal project

Built in 1966, the football school in Erewan had one major drawback in that football could only be played in the warmer months due to the climatic conditions. The amelioration of this situation through the installation of an artificial pitch was the substance of a request approved by the Goal Bureau on 7 November 2005. The project will mainly benefit young footballers, who will now receive a sports education all year round in addition to their normal schooling. It will be financed from Goal funds and additional donations.



Financing of Goal project

Project

Artificial pitch in Erewan

Project approved on

7 November 2005

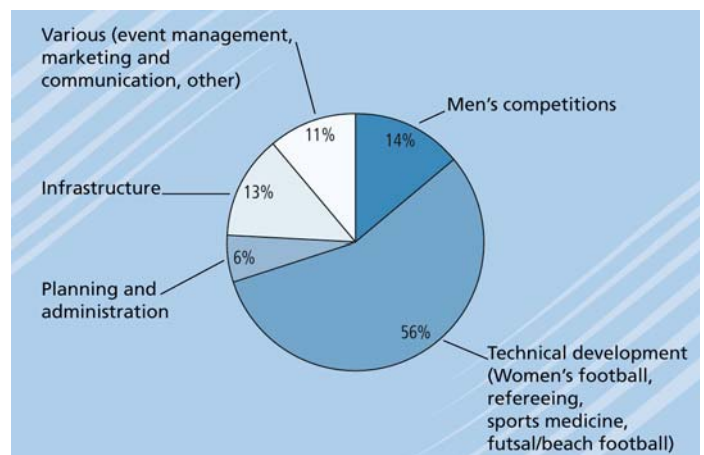
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Implementation

Funding

Goal	USD	400 000
Association	USD	100 000
Total costs	USD	500 000

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)	0																				
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.



Armenia U-19 national women's team

Does an organised women's football set-up exist?	yes
If so, since when?	2003
From which age on, players are registered?	14
Women's teams (open or over 16 years)	5
Women's teams (below 16 years, youth)	12
National competition (or women's league)	yes
Regional competitions	yes
University competitions	no
School competitions	no
Futsal competitions	yes
National "A" team	yes
National youth teams: age categories	U-17, U-19



Relaxed goalkeeper