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The first Goal Project

Madagascar was selected for one of the eleven pilot Goal projects. The association now has new headquarters and a technical centre will be built in Antananarivo. The costs will be covered by Goal, the FIFA Financial Assistance Programme and the French Government. The association hopes that the completion of these facilities will give a considerable boost to football in the nation. In view of the significant number of young people under the age of 20, youth development work plays an especially important role. Football is also becoming ever more popular with women and they too have explained their requirements. One important issue remains the development and training of specialists and the efficient handling of administrative work. Long-term planning should help to centralise various projects and thus consolidate coordination work.



Financing of Goal project

Project

National association headquarters and technical center in Antananarivo

Project approved

13 February 2001

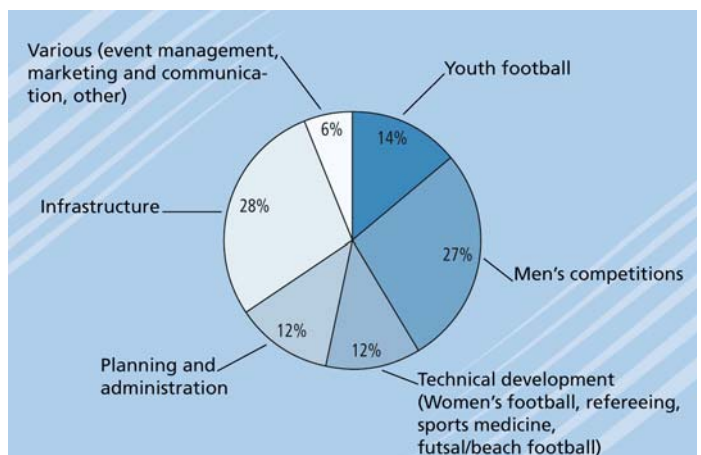
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Opened on 5 February 2005

Financed by

Goal	USD	500,000
French government	EUR	500,000
Total cost	USD	1,000,000

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Second Goal project

The Madagascar football association submitted a second project, which will concentrate on improving the stadium in Rabemananjara, to the Goal Bureau meeting on 4 February 2008. This project, which will build a new spectator stand as well as facilities such as toilets and bathrooms, was approved by the Goal Bureau.



Use of FAP funds

Project

New stand and other facilities at stadium in Rabemananjara

Project approved

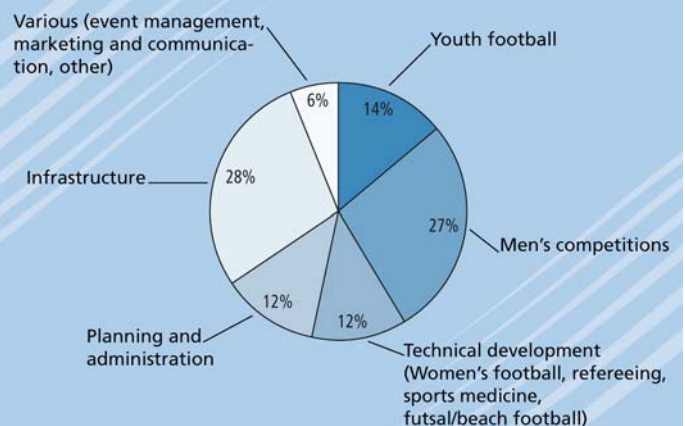
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Status

Implementation

Financed by

Goal	USD	400,000
Other sources	USD	36,297
Total cost	USD	436,297



Win in Africa with Africa

Under this motto, FIFA is seeking to use football pointedly as a development tool. At the same time, the governing body is aiming to focus attention on Africa in the build-up to the 2010 FIFA World Cup™ and project a positive image of a continent that is working hard for its own development.. The Win in Africa with Africa campaign was endorsed by the FIFA Congress in Marrakesh and assigned a USD 70 million budget by the Congress in Munich.

At its heart lies the initiative to provide every African nation with an international-standard artificial turf pitch. The remainder of the eight-point programme is intended to develop domestic competitions, train African sports executives, promote sports medicine and address topical issues relating to the FIFA World Cup™ in South Africa.

Further information on Win in Africa with Africa:
http://www.fifa.com/mm/goalprojectWinAF_E.pdf



Municipality Stadium of Rabemananjara, Mahajanga



The prepared ground is waiting for the football turf



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