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The first Goal Project

On 29 October 2001, the Goal Bureau endorsed a project involving the construction of headquarters for the Cape Verde Islands' national association in Praia, incorporating a technical centre with a football pitch. The project has been funded by Goal and the FIFA Financial Assistance Programme. The main activities at the centre will be the general administration and coordination of football, youth coaching activities, preparation camps for national teams prior to international matches, and a biennial programme for 15-year-olds. Women's and youth football are experiencing a surge in popularity and should receive additional support as a result of the new facilities. Attention will be directed to long-term planning.



Financing of Goal project

Project

National technical centre, national association headquarters and pitch in Praia

Project approved

29 October 2001

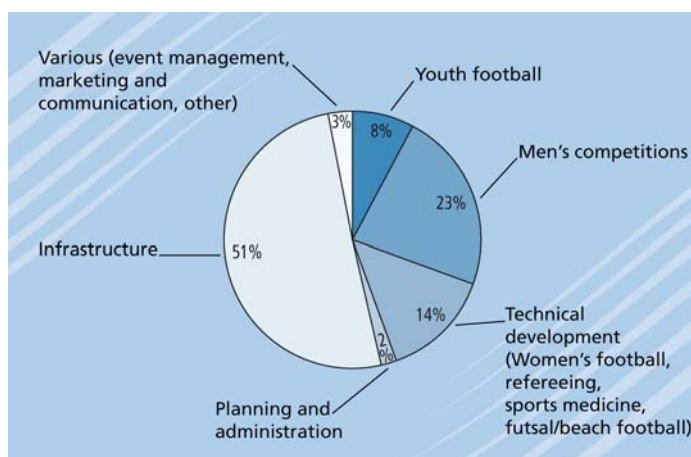
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Opened on 2 May 2006

Financed by

Goal	USD	400,000
FAP	USD	471,233
Total cost	USD	871,233

Use of FAP funds



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The second Goal Project

To complete the technical centre that has already opened in Praia, the Cape Verde Islands football association submitted a proposal to lay an artificial playing surface, which was approved by the Goal Bureau on 22 September 2004. This second Goal project also included the purchase of essential equipment for the centre. The government has donated land in an effort to further promote the game of football. The association's development efforts focus primarily on nurturing young talent.



Financing of Goal project

Project

Artificial turf pitch and equipment for existing technical centre in Praia

Project approved

22 September 2004

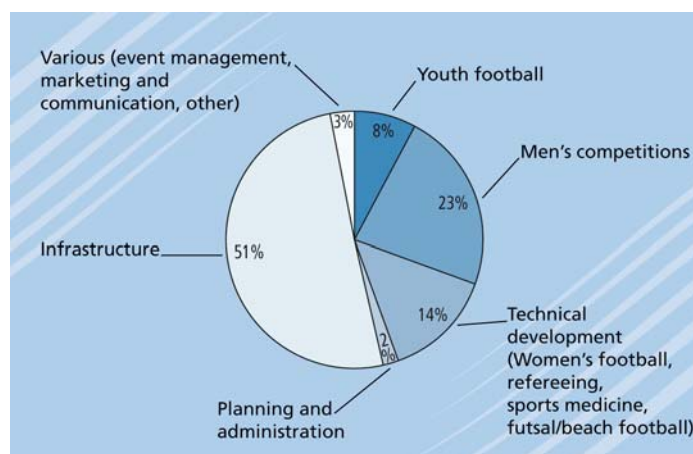
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Third Goal project

The Cape Verde Islands already boast a football centre that is home to the association's headquarters in the capital city of Praia. However, as the country is spread out over various islands, another focal point – in the form of a regional technical centre – is now required for the association's development programmes. Therefore, on 21 March 2007, the Goal Bureau approved a project on the island of São Vicente in the Barlavento region, which will primarily target local youngsters and clubs.

Financing of Goal project

Project

Regional technical centre on São Vicente island, Barlavento

Project approved on

21 March 2007

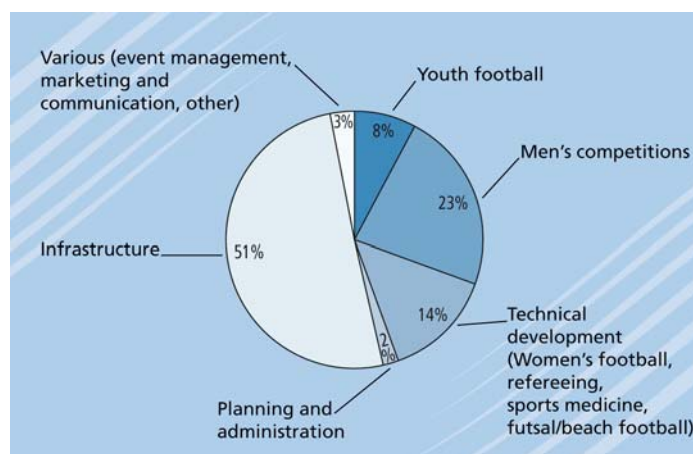
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Implementation

Financing

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 (Win Africa)																			●		
Refereeing (men and women) (Win Africa)															●				●		
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.



Training lesson within the Goal Project's area...

Does an organised women's football set-up exist?
If so, since when?

From which age on, players are registered?

Women's teams (open or over 16 years)

Women's teams (below 16 years, youth)

National competition (or women's league)

Regional competitions

University competitions

School competitions

Futsal competitions

National "A" team

National youth teams: age categories



... and theory inside the Goal project's building

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/goalproject/WinAF_E.pdf



The Stade Varzea, Praia before it was renovated.



Construction work on the football turf in 2006.



The renovated Stade Varzea in Praia with a FIFA-approved international-size football turf pitch.