



**IN THE DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE
VOLTA REGIONAL FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION**

VRFA/DC/025/23

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| 1. Ernest Yao Gaewu, (Justice) | Chairman |
| 2. Constant Dzakpasu | Member |
| 3. Felix Seloame | Member |
| 4. Kingsley Broni-Agbezuge | Secretary |

22nd May 2023

AKPINI STARS FC VS KPASSA PALACE FC

**PROTEST IN RESPECT OF 2022/ 2023 VOLTA REGIONAL DIVISION TWO
LEAGUE MATCH PLAYED AT KPANDO SPORTS STADIUM.**

PROCEEDINGS

In accordance with Article 56 of the GFA Statutes (2019) and 35(9) of the Regional Football Association (RFAs) Leagues Regulations, this Disciplinary Committee (hereinafter referred to as “**The Committee**”) considered the deposition from **Akpini Stars Football Club** (hereinafter referred to as “**The Petitioner**”), with supporting attachments, and match reports from match officials.

SUMMARY OF FACTS

STATEMENT OF CASE OF AKPINI STARS FC

The Petitioner lodged a protest against the Respondent for fielding unqualified player during the Volta Regional Division Two League match between The Petitioner and The Respondent played on 16th April, 2023 at Kpando Sports Stadium, contrary to article 33(1)(a) , 33(2) (a), 28(2)(a) of the GFA Regional Football Association (RFAs) League Regulations.

The Petitioners claim that, The Respondents fielded an unqualified player Naziru Ibrahim who is currently a registered player of Tudu Mighty FC with ID IGDKM33 in the FIFA Connect system and GHA 013082M as card number.

In support of their case, The Petitioners state Articles 28(1)(a) 33(5)(a)(b)(c) seek relief that the match be declared null and void 3 points 3goals be awarded to The Petitioners The Petitioners attached the photograph of the said player and the team sheet of the Respondent. A print out from the FIFA Connect System as evidence in support of the case.

DEFENSE OF KPASSA PALACE FC

The Respondent did not file any statement of defense.

FINDINGS OF THE COMMITTEE AND GROUNDS OF DECISION

The Committee at its sittings makes the following findings

1. That protest was lodged in accordance with Article 35(1)(3) of the GFA Regional Football Associations (RFAs) League Regulations
2. That the protest was duly served on The Respondent in accordance with Article 35(4) of The Regional Football Associations
3. That from the Committe's check from the FIFA Connect system shows Naziru Ibrahim was not duly registered by the Respondent.
4. That Naziru Ibrahim is currently a registered player of Tudu Mighty Jet Fc from the Committee's check from the FIFA Connect System.

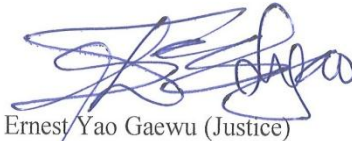
DECISION

It is the decision of The Committee that;

1. The Petitioners' case is hereby upheld and that 3 points and 3 goals shall be awarded to the Petitioner, in accordance with Article 33(3) of the GFA Regional Football Associations (RFAs) League Regulations
2. The Respondent shall suffer 3 points deduction from accumulated points in all the matches the said player Naziru Ibrahim in this case featured in.
3. The Respondent is hereby fine GH C 300.00 of which 50% of which shall be paid to the Petitioner in accordance to Article 33(5)(b) of the GFA (RFAs) Leagues Regulations.
4. The Respondent shall pay the fine in decision Three (3) above within ten (10) days in

accordance with Article 37(8) of the GFA (RFAs) Leagues Regulations.

5. The Respondent shall be liable to the consequential effect of Article 37(1)(b) and 37(8)(c) if the club fails to pay the fine imposed on the club in decision Three (3) above within the specified period in decision Four (4) above.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Ernest Yao Gaewu', is written over the printed name.

Ernest Yao Gaewu (Justice)

Disciplinary Committee Chairman