

IN THE OFFICE OF MR. SHAKIL DURRANI ADJUDICATOR,
PAKISTAN SPORTS BOARD

Petition No.12 of 2025

(Pursuant to order of the Honourable Balochistan High Court)

ORDER

Date: 12-02-2026

Present:

Mr. Hazrat Ali Khan, President, Pakistan Soccer Futsal Federation, appeared via zoom

Mr. Ali Ikram, Director Legal, Pakistan Football Federation, appeared via Zoom

Order of the Adjudicator matter relates to the Disaffiliation of the Pakistan Soccer Futsal Federation by the Pakistan Sports and Pakistan Football Federation.

1. The Pakistan Sports Board (PSB) vide its letter Petition No.12 OF 2025 dated 18th November 2025 has forwarded a letter from the office of the Attorney General containing an order C.P. 1695/2025 of the High Court of Balochistan dated 21st Oct 2025. (Petition 12 of 2025-Affairs of Pakistan Soccer Futsal Federation). The PSB has referred the case to the Adjudicator Shakil Durrani, (Executive Director, Ghulam Ishaq Khan Institute and former Chief Secretary KP, Sindh and AJK,) for deciding the matter 'on merit and as per law and rules'. The case relates to the disaffiliation of the Pakistan Soccer Futsal by the Pakistan Football Federation (PFF) on the ground that the sport of futsal is already a responsibility of the PFF and that under the PSB constitution every sport can only have one apex body which in this case is the PFF.
2. The sport of 'futsal is a scaled-down variant of association football played between two teams of five players each on a court smaller than a football pitch. Its rules are based on the Laws of the Game of association football, and it also shares similarities with five-a-side football and indoor soccer. A futsal match consists of two periods of 20 minutes. Futsal is played with a smaller and heavier ball than association football and usually indoors on a hardcourt surface marked by lines. Due to a dispute between FIFA and FIFUSA (now the World Futsal Association) in the 1980s over the use of the word "football", FIFUSA started using the term *futsal* during its 1985 World Championship in Madrid.
3. The PFF as a member association of FIFA and the Asian Football Confederation (AFC) traditionally receives structured international funding, which is one of its main revenue streams: FIFA provides approximately USD 1.25 million (~PKR 30-35 crore) per year in development grants for member associations like Pakistan. AFC also contributes additional funding (reported up to ~USD 800,000) for development programs, coach/referee training, youth competitions, leagues, and operations. These funds are designed to be used for infrastructure, training, grassroots development, competitions, and overall football growth in Pakistan.
4. The petitioner, Mr. Hazrat Ali Khan from Balochistan, as the President of Pakistan Soccer Futsal Federation and a representative of the PFF were summoned to the office of the Adjudicator on 31st December 2025 and again on 29th January 2026 for hearing. The petitioner pleaded that the PSB has disaffiliated the Futsal Federation under the Article 20 (8) of PSB constitution that only one recognised national federation is allowed per sport

while according to him futsal was different from football and recognised as a distinct and specialised format of the sport with its own governing framework, competition structure, and technical identity....The petitioner stated that PSB had in the past allocated a grant of Rs 23 million to the Pakistan Soccer Futsal Federation (PSFF) as it provides grants to other national sport federations which was utilized for the development, promotion, and structuring of futsal across Pakistan. A complete and transparent audit report was duly submitted to the Pakistan Sports Board (PSB), clearly explaining how the funds were spent on futsal-related activities, including competitions, infrastructure, training programs, grassroots development, and PSFF administrative growth. (However, the PFF representative informed that they were not aware of any existing Futsal Association in Balochistan nor of any funds having been provided to any Balochistan Futsal by the PFF and that PFF itself has conducted National Futsal Championships in Pakistan).

5. On the basis of the arguments adduced the Petitioner states that this demonstrates that PSFF has not only been financially entrusted by the relevant authorities but has also fulfilled its obligations through accountability, transparency, and sport-specific development initiatives. The Respondent stated that governance of a sport is determined by sustained organizational structure, international alignment, technical expertise, national competitions, and compliance with regulatory frameworks not by a one-time financial contribution. The futsal entity in Balochistan claims that it has organised many tournaments within the country where teams from the provinces and the Armed Forces have also participated while the PFF remains focused on football only and that in Balochistan and some places in Pakistan there exist many futsal clubs where a large number of people participate in the sports because of the financial support provided by private individuals in Balochistan and elsewhere.
6. However, the petitioner stated that the PFF has taken virtually no measures to encourage futsal or even football in the country. He claimed that futsal has become very popular in Balochistan and because of the efforts of the petitioner. He informed that futsal is governed globally by a separate system and there are other international futsal bodies with their own World Cups, continental championships, laws of the game, and player development pathways. These differences are not minor adjustments but structural and technical distinctions that change the nature, style, and objectives of the game itself. Just as basketball and netball, or rugby union and rugby league, are treated as separate sports due to their rule frameworks and governance, futsal qualifies as an independent discipline rather than a mere sub-format of football. Therefore, futsal's recognition as a separate sport or specialized discipline is based on its unique rules, format, governance, international recognition, and competitive ecosystem, making it fundamentally distinct from traditional 11-a-side football.
7. The Respondent, representing PFF contested the claims of the petitioner vide letter dated 28th Jan 2026. PFF draws affiliation internationally with the Federation Internationale de Football Association (FIFA) and regionally with the Asian Football Confederation (AFC) and is duly recognized by the Pakistan Sports Board (PSB).
8. According to the constitution of PSB, it only recognizes those bodies which are recognized by their international bodies. This stance is supported by PSB in its two letters one is letter dated 28th of March 2022 vide reference no. 1-1-/2022-PSB(DG office). It is the long-standing policy of the Pakistan Sports Board to recognize only those Federations which are affiliated with their corresponding International Bodies. In this regard, it is certified that Pakistan Sports Board recognizes the Normalization Committee appointed by FIFA, and headed by Mr. Haroon Malik, as the only legitimate and mandated body to represent the Pakistan Football Federation in and outside of Pakistan. He stated that the PFF had worked tirelessly in its objective to ensure the lifting of the ban on Pakistan imposed on PFF by FIFA because of which 'the sufferings of the Football players' were 'mitigated'. Another letter dated 9th of September 2014 vide reference no. F/7-1/2013- PSB(NF) P- VIII was placed on record that stated that a 'meeting was held in Lausanne, Switzerland on 19th June, 2014 to resolve the issues relating to Olympic movement in Pakistan. The meeting was attended by representatives of Government of Pakistan and delegates of IOC, OCA and POA and it was mutually agreed that:

- Government of Pakistan would accept the National Olympic Committee recognized by International Olympic Committee (IOC).
 - The Government of Pakistan would deal with only those National Sports Federations which are recognized by their respective International bodies.
9. The PFF representative informed that PFF is affiliated internationally with Federation Internationale de Football Association (FIFA) and regionally with the Asian Football Confederation (AFC), and is duly recognized by Pakistan Sports Board (PSB). According to the rules of PSB, they only recognize those federations which are recognized by their international bodies. This stance is supported by PSB in its two letters one is letter dated 28th of March, 2022 vide reference no. 1-1-/2022-PSB(DG office) the relevant portion states that 'It is the long-standing policy of the Pakistan Sports Board to recognize only those Federations which are affiliated with their corresponding International Bodies. They confirmed that Pakistan Sports Board only recognizes the Committee appointed by FIFA, and headed by Mr. Haroon Malik, as the only legitimate and mandated body to represent the Pakistan Football Federation in and outside of Pakistan. Another letter dated 9th of September, 2014 vide reference no. F/7-1/2013-PSB(NF) P- VIII mentions that as a member association of FIFA and the Asian Football Confederation (AFC), PFF traditionally receives structured international funding, which is one of its main revenue streams and FIFA provides approximately USD 1.25 million (~PKR 30-35 crore) per year in development grants for member associations like Pakistan. AFC also contributes additional funding (reported up to ~USD 800,000) for development programs, coach/referee training, youth competitions, leagues, and operations. These funds are designed to be used for infrastructure, training, grassroots development, competitions, and overall football growth in Pakistan. (No mention was made by PFF whether any portion of these amounts were spent on the promotion of futsal or beach football in Pakistan).
10. On an enquiry whether the Baluchistan Futsal entity can become eligible for financial or other assistance from PFF the reply provided was that Articles 12 and 13 of the PFF Constitution provide for a process through which new members are appointed. The Executive Committee shall request the Congress either to admit or not to admit an applicant. The applicant may state the reasons for its application to the Congress. The new member shall acquire membership rights and duties as soon as it has been admitted by PFF. PSB would be required to strictly monitor the process of admitting new members on merit and not the discretion of PFF.
11. The Respondent further informed that FIFA does not recognize AMF as the governing body for futsal as it is considered a discipline under football, with tournaments like the SAFF Futsal Championship organized by independent football bodies governed by their parent federations. The Ministry of Inter Provincial Coordination and PSB have taken legal measures in line with FIFA statutes regarding this matter. Futsal is considered a discipline under football and in tournaments organised like the SAFF Futsal. He further added that since futsal was introduced in Pakistan and regulated by the PFF, the federation has formed independent National Futsal Men's and Women's Teams. Their participation in international events is endorsed by the PSB and the Government of Pakistan. Notably, Pakistan took part in the AFC Asian Futsal Qualifiers 2026 for the first time in history. Pakistan also participated in the SAFF Futsal Championship 2026 for Men and Women. The PFF launched Futsal Championships for Men and Women in Pakistan, promoting the sport nationally.

Findings and order of the Adjudicator.

12. After hearing from both parties and perusing the record presented by them a ten-point questionnaire was sent to them for seeking clarification and additional information on the issues. Both parties provided their points of view on the queries put to them. I wish to emphasize that sporting entities like the PCB, PHF and PFF have been established only to promote and sponsor sports in the country for the multiple benefits that accrue to the people. What is of prime importance is the fact that the entities responsible for any sports must be seen to be performing their fundamental obligations under the rules and the

resources available. No office bearers of any sporting federation should seek power and privileges through misinterpreting or amending the rules of their constitutions to exercise control for personal benefits. Some sporting bodies in the country were alleged to be more interested in sponsored foreign trips with families financed by resources meant for sports development. The PSB needs to monitor the performance and responsibilities of these federations and associations. It is also unfortunate that a strong belief exists in the country that individuals and families have assumed hereditary control of some sports bodies through manipulated or sham elections by carefully prescribing the eligible voters' college. In one case an individual reportedly occupied a senior executive post for a period and later served on an even higher position for two terms on expiry of which he had a chairman post created for himself.

13. As for the matter under dispute it is clear from the record produced that the Pakistan Football Federation (PFF) in the country is the duly recognised entity for football, futsal and beach football in the country recognized both by the Government of Pakistan and by FIFA which is the international entity responsible for all forms of football. Google reports that as of 2024-25 a total of 163 men's futsal teams were officially affiliated with FIFA while 55 national futsal are affiliated with AMF. As stated earlier, FIFA does not recognize AMF as the governing body of futsal. However, since futsal and beach football are relatively new sports in Pakistan and are getting more popular by the day the PFF needs to pay greater attention to the cries and needs of futsal particularly in the smaller provinces and regions.
14. The complaint of the petitioner that futsal gets stepmotherly treatment at the hands of the PFF and is neither given importance nor provided funds has weight. There is also little doubt that futsal is getting more popular all over the country and particularly in Balochistan and similarly it is gaining popularity all over the world. It is important that the Pakistan Football Federation as the duly recognised federation by FIFA must cater to the essential needs of futsal. The status of PFF under the PSB constitution recognises only one Federation in the country for a sport, similar to the game of cricket where despite different formats of game only one authority, the Pakistan Cricket Board, controls all formats of the game such as five-day tests, one day and twenty/20 cricket tournaments.
15. It is also clear that the attention of PFF and the PSB remains focused on football alone as it is the most popular game in the world and also to an extent in Pakistan. Almost all PFF resources are being spent on football while futsal is largely ignored. Since GOP and PSB recognise that the PFF is the only entity responsible for football and futsal at the apex level the PFF and PSB must ensure that adequate funds are provided for supporting futsal particularly in Balochistan where it is very popular. For the future PSB must ensure that adequate funds be made available for futsal in Baluchistan, KP, AJK and Gilgit-Baltistan.
16. Mention also needs to be made that, very sadly, the PFFs itself was involved in serious controversies in the past causing much embarrassment to the country. Allegations of different sorts were repeatedly made against the entity and some of its office-bearers. The PFF recognition was also suspended by FIFA for some years and only recently was PFF brought back into the fold after a decade. These controversies within the PFF and office holders not only brought a bad name to the country but also deprived sport lovers of sponsorship for football, futsal and beach football. Futsal, it needs to be repeated, is a cheaper form of football as it is played on a smaller court with fewer players and smaller provinces like Balochistan can afford it more easily.

On the basis of the arguments heard and the documents and record presented before me I therefore order that:

- I. The Pakistan Football Federation, as the duly affiliated national apex body of FIFA in Pakistan, which is also recognised by the Government of Pakistan and Pakistan Sports Board, shall exclusively be responsible at the national level with the sports of football, futsal and beach football. All provincial and regional futsal associations will be affiliated with it. The contention of the Petitioner that futsal be accepted as a separate federation at the

national level is not based in rules, law and the policy of the Government and therefore cannot be accepted. The petition is therefore denied.

- II. In order to effectively promote and support futsal the PSB and PFF must meaningfully recognise the duly elected office bearers of the provinces following elections supervised by the Provincial Sports Boards. The PSB and the PFF should align their constitutions to expressly provide for adequate provincial representation at the PFF national level. One option to be considered by PSB could be that one or more Presidents of the provincial futsal entities be appointed as the ex-officio Vice Presidents of the PFF so that the voice of the provinces is heard and the frustration of smaller provinces like Balochistan or KP are allayed.
- III. The PFF must provide adequate financial and other resources available from within and outside the country to the provinces to promote futsal and beach football under close monitoring of the PSB. A request be also made to FIFA for funds for futsal.
- IV. The PFF would report annually to the PSB the details of financial, training and administrative support provided by PFF to the provincial football and futsal associations/clubs and facilitate their participations in national and international tournaments. In case of the failure or inability of PFF to adequately support the provincial associations the matter should be brought to the notice of the PSB.

The Short order has been announced during the hearing.

Detailed Order announced.


12/02/26
Shakil Durrani
Adjudicator
Pakistan Sports Board

(Annexure)

Questionnaire sent by Adjudicator to Petitioner and Respondent seeking clarification attached.

1. Is there a role/function of SECP and the Companies Act in the dispute between PFA and AMF? Has any other sports federation been registered under Companies Acts/Rules?

2. PSB constitution recognises only one Federation in the country for a sport as is the case in cricket, where one authority controls different formats of the game, such as Tests, One Day and Twenty/20 cricket. How does AMF qualify to be a different sports despite the different number of players and some changes in rules?

3. PFF has only once in 2018 (?) provided a grant of Rs 2.3 million to AMF and as such what is its justification to control Futsal and bring it under PFF?

i) How much funds are provided to PFF from the Government, FIFA and donations from home and abroad?

ii) How much funds does PFF provide to the provinces and private clubs in Pakistan to encourage Futsal and Football?

iii) What percentage of PFF funds from home and abroad are spent of its establishment and salaries, foreign and local visits and how much on popularising football within the country?

iv) Would it not be appropriate for PSB to ensure that not more than a fixed percentage of funds, say 15-20%, be spent on overheads, establishment and visits, etc., and the rest on training, coaches, grounds, and scholarships?

4. The Futsal entity in Baluchistan claims that it has organised many tournaments within the country where teams from the provinces and the Armed Forces have also participated while the PFF remains focused on football only. Is it correct to state that in Baluchistan and some places in Pakistan, there are many Futsal clubs where a large number of people participate in the sports because of the financial support provided by private individuals in Baluchistan and elsewhere? What measures has PFF has taken to encourage football in the country. Is it

correct to state that Futsal game has become popular in Baluchistan and elsewhere because of the efforts of private individuals like the petitioner?

5. Is PFF still engaged in litigation and controversies regarding its elections, as reported by the press in the past, and has its election been subjected to controversy in the past? Has FIFA been concerned with the integrity of elections of PFF in the past and did FIFA take action against PFF?

6. Is it possible that Futsal be formally affiliated with PFF on the condition that the Vice President of PFF position be reserved for a province which promotes Futsal? Can PFF guarantee a percentage of its resources to be provided to the local cities for supporting Futsal in the provinces? Does FIFA recognise a number of Futsal federations across the world.

7. Are there countries where Futsal federations are not associated with FIFA? What would be the reaction of FIFA if Futsal is recognised as a separate federation in Pakistan, as happens in the case of Judo, Karate, Taekwondo, etc., which are recognized as separate federations by the Pakistan Sports Board?

8. What is the interpretation of Rule 20 of PSB and can PSB or PFF decide the question of recognition of Futsal even if one or more provinces do not record their approval.

9. Is it correct that while PSB does not recognise any Futsal entity in Pakistan, some international and Asian federations do recognise Futsal in Pakistan, apparently.

10. Is there any country that is affiliated with AMF but not affiliated with FIFA?

You are requested to submit the above information to the Adjudicator's office within one week, so that the matter may proceed further as per the rules.

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4.ThePetitioner states that PSFF has been the ' sole promoter of Futsal in the country over the past decade , actively organising national championships....whereas PFF has neither conducted any national Futsal event....

INTERNATIONAL PARTICIPATION

Club Futsal Championship 2016, Australia:

Pakistan National Men's Club Team proudly participated in the International Club Futsal Championship 2016 held in Australia, competing against 16 top international clubs from around the world.

The Pakistan team achieved an impressive 7th position, a commendable accomplishment that reflects the growing strength and competitiveness of futsal in our country. This international exposure not only enhanced the skills and confidence of our players but also contributed significantly to the development and global recognition of futsal in Pakistan.

This achievement marked an important step forward in promoting the sport at the international level and provided our athletes with a valuable platform to showcase their talent and represent Pakistan with pride.

HISTORIC EVENT

International Men's Futsal Cup 2018, Pakistan Sports Complex:

In 2018, organizing the International Men's Futsal Cup at the Pakistan Sports Complex, a truly historic event that marked a major milestone in Pakistan's sporting history. For the first time ever, the Brazilian Futsal Team visited and competed in Pakistan an extraordinary achievement.

The tournament featured top national teams, including:

- 1) Brazil
- 2) Turkey
- 3) Nepal
- 4) Pakistan

The Pakistan National Team secured 2nd position, showcasing our athletes' talent and determination on an international platform. This high-profile event provided a safe, peaceful, and welcoming environment, reinforcing Pakistan's ability to host world-class sporting events with excellence and hospitality.

Dignitaries, including ambassadors and representatives from all participating countries, were present, adding to the

prestige and diplomatic importance of the occasion.

The electric atmosphere and spirit of international friendship made this tournament a proud moment for the nation and a major step forward in promoting peace through sports in Pakistan.

This landmark event helped open new doors for international sporting collaborations, enhancing Pakistan global reputation in the futsal community.

INTERNATIONAL MEN TRI-NATION FUTSAL SERIES 2019.

In 2019, I proudly organized the International Men Tri-Nation Futsal Series at the Pakistan Sports Complex, an important event in the history of futsal in Pakistan. The tournament featured national teams from:

- 1) Afghanistan
- 2) Nepal
- 3) Pakistan

This was a historic moment as it marked one of the first major international men futsal competitions hosted on Pakistani soil. The event was conducted in a secure, peaceful, and welcoming environment, demonstrating Pakistan's readiness and capability to host international sporting events with excellence.

The Pakistan National Team earned 2nd position, delivering a strong performance and gaining valuable international experience. The series also fostered diplomatic engagement, with ambassadors and officials from all participating countries in attendance, adding prestige and significance to the event.

The atmosphere was filled with unity, sportsmanship, and cultural exchange, making it not only a sporting success but also a celebration of peace through international sports collaboration. This series marked a proud milestone for Pakistan and contributed greatly to the growth and promotion of futsal in the region.

ORGANIZED NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS:

1ST NATIONAL MEN'S Futsal Championship 2015, Islamabad:

In 2015, organizing the 1st National Men's Futsal Championship in Islamabad, a landmark event in the history of futsal in Pakistan. This national-level championship brought together all 7 provincial teams from across the country, making it a truly inclusive and historic competition.

The championship played a vital role in the development and promotion of futsal throughout Pakistan, providing a platform for emerging talent and encouraging structured growth of the sport at the provincial and national levels. This event marked a major milestone in establishing futsal as a recognized and celebrated sport in Pakistan, fostering unity, competitive spirit, and national pride.

2ND NATIONAL MEN'S Futsal Championship 2016. Islamabad:

In 2016, successfully organized the 2nd National Men's Futsal Championship in Islamabad, building on the momentum of the inaugural event. This championship featured participation from all 7 provincial teams across Pakistan, along with 3 prominent departmental teams, making it one of the most comprehensive and competitive futsal events in the country's history.

The tournament served as a significant step forward in the national development of futsal, providing athletes from diverse regions and institutions the opportunity to compete at a high level. It also strengthened the sport's organizational structure and visibility throughout Pakistan.

This historic event further contributed to the growth, recognition, and unity of futsal nationwide, and reinforced the commitment to nurturing talent and promoting sports culture across the country.

5, Petitioner states that PSB over the past 10 years provided Rs 23 million to PSFF for development of futsal across Pakistan. The audit report on the expenditure was also submitted to the PSB.

2-Question Number Answered:

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futsal is not merely a variation of football; it is internationally recognized as a distinct and specialized format of the sport with its own governing framework, competition structure, and

technical identity. Futsal is governed globally by a separate system and other international futsal bodies, with its own World Cups, continental championships, laws of the game, and player development pathways. Futsal differs fundamentally from traditional football in multiple essential aspects, including but not limited to:

- ❑ Number of players (5-a-side instead of 11)
- ❑ Court size and surface (hard court instead of grass)
- ❑ Ball specifications, Match duration
- ❑ Substitution rules, Emphasis on technical skill speed and close control
- ❑ Accumulated fouls system, No offside rule, Goalkeeper restrictions

These differences are not minor adjustments but structural and technical distinctions that change the nature, style, and objectives of the game itself. Just as basketball and netball, or rugby union and rugby league, are treated as separate sports due to their rule frameworks and governance, futsal qualifies as an independent discipline rather than a mere sub-format of football.

Therefore, futsal's recognition as a separate sport or specialized discipline is based on its unique

rules, format, governance, international recognition, and competitive ecosystem, making it fundamentally distinct from traditional 11-a-side football.

3-Question Number Answered:

Government grant allocated to the Pakistan Soccer Futsal Federation (PSFF) by the Pakistan Sports Board (PSB) which is the body that funds national sport federations. Over the last 10 years, PSFF received Rs 23 million from PSB for futsal development which was properly utilized for the development, promotion, and structuring of futsal across Pakistan. A complete and transparent audit report was duly submitted to the Pakistan Sports Board (PSB), clearly explaining how the funds were spent on futsal-related activities, including competitions, infrastructure, training programs, grassroots development, and PSFF administrative growth.

This demonstrates that PSFF has not only been financially entrusted by the relevant authorities but has also fulfilled its obligations through accountability, transparency, and sport-specific development initiatives. Governance of a sport is determined by sustained organizational structure, international alignment, technical expertise, national competitions, and compliance

with regulatory frameworks not by a one-time financial contribution.

FIFA & AFC Funding

As a member association of FIFA and the Asian Football Confederation (AFC), PFF traditionally receives structured international funding, which is one of its main revenue streams: FIFA provides approximately USD 1.25 million (~PKR 30-35 crore) per year in development grants for member associations like Pakistan.

AFC also contributes additional funding (reported up to ~USD 800,000) for development programs, coach/referee training, youth competitions, leagues, and operations.

These funds are designed to be used for infrastructure, training, grassroots development, competitions, and overall football growth in Pakistan.

4-Question Number Answered:

It is correct to state that the futsal entity in Balochistan has actively organized numerous tournaments within the country, including junior, senior, and women's categories, in which teams from various provinces as well as the armed forces have participated. The Pakistan Soccer Futsal Federation (PSFF) has organized seven National Futsal Championships across Islamabad, Balochistan, and Punjab, ensuring inclusive participation from all provinces and departments, including armed forces teams. These events reflect a structured and continuous effort to promote futsal nationwide.

Pakistan Soccer Futsal Federation (PSFF) has been the sole promoter of futsal in the country over the past decade, actively organizing national championships and representing Pakistan in international futsal tournaments, whereas PFF has neither conducted any national futsal events nor contributed to the development of the sport during this period."

7-Question Number Answered:

In Pakistan, sports like Judo, Karate, and Taekwondo are officially recognized by the Pakistan Sports Board (PSB) as independent federations, separate from broader umbrella organizations, even though they follow international rules and participate in global competitions. If Futsal were recognized as a separate federation in Pakistan, in line with PSB's practices for other sports, it

would reflect a standard national sports governance model and should not conflict with FIFA's

international regulations, provided that the federation operates transparently and adheres to FIFA's statutes regarding global competitions.

8-Question Number Answered:

Interpretation of Rule 20 of the Pakistan Sports Board (PSB):

Rule 20 of the PSB Rules governs the recognition of national sports federations. It essentially requires that a sport federation seeking recognition must demonstrate national representation and organizational legitimacy, including representation from multiple provinces and adherence to PSB's governance standards. The rule ensures that a federation claiming national status is truly

representative of the sport across Pakistan, rather than being limited to a single region or group.

Annexure-A

The information so obtained shall form part of the record to assist the Adjudicator in arriving at a decision.

1. What is the role/function of SECP and the Companies Act in the dispute between PFA and AMF? What percentage of PFF funds from home and abroad are spent of its establishment, foreign and local visits and how much on expanding football within the country? would it be appropriate that not more than a fixed percentage of funds be spent on overheads, establishment and visits etc?
4. The Fursal entity in Baluchistan claims that it has organised many tournaments within the country where teams from the provinces and the Armed Forces have also participated while the PFF remains focused on football only. Is it correct to state that in Baluchistan and some places in Pakistan there are many Futsal clubs where a large number of people participate in the sports because of the financial support provided by private individuals in Baluchistan and elsewhere?
5. Is PFF still engaged in litigation and controversies as reported by the press in the past some initiated nearly two decades back and has its election been contested in the past? Has FIFA been concerned with the integrity of elections of PFF in the past?
6. Is it possible that Futsal be formally affiliated with PFF on the condition that the Vice President of PFF position be reserved for from a province which promotes Futsal and can PFF guaranteed a percentage of its resources to be provided to the provinces for supporting Futsal in the provinces? FIFA reportedly recognises a large number of Futsal federations across the world.
7. What is the interpretation of Rule 20 of PSB and can PSB or PFF decide the question of recognition of Futsal in the absence of the opinion of one or more provinces?
8. While PSB does not recognise any Futsal entity in Pakistan some international and the Asian federations do recognise Futsal in Pakistan apparently?

Office of the Adjudicator, Pakistan Sports Board