

APPENDICES

**Written Submission by the
Fiji National Sports Commission**

Questions

1. Inform us on whether the Commission has plans to further develop sports playgrounds in primary and secondary schools.

Development of school grounds is the responsibility of Ministry of Education.

The Ministry of Youths and Sports also develops community sports grounds. It is the Ministry of Youth & Sports who would consider school upgrades if school requests to develop their grounds which must also benefit communities. Any requests for community or school sports facilities is always referred to the Ministry of Youth and Sports who receive an annual budget for this work..

2. We note the Commission undertook consultations in rural villagers and donated sports equipment to each village and settlement that attended the programme. Enlighten us on the areas covered and if there are any future plans to continue this programme.

The sports equipment is donated as part of the training conducted through our various Community Outreach programs to assist them with the organization of community events. The areas covered in 2019-2020 included; ten provinces ; Namosi, Rewa, Lomaiviti, Lau, Ra, Navosa, Ba, Macuata, Bua, Tailevu, 13 Tikinas, 72 villages, 12 schools, 6 settlements, 40 urban communities.

This has been an ongoing commitment since the establishment of the Commission.

3. On page 15 of Annual Report (Division: Northern Sports Accreditation/ Training) – We note that there was no male participants, provide reasons for this.

Regrettable we must confirm this was a misprint and we are pleased to report:

Total figures for the North should read 155 teachers. Of these, 80 were males and 75 were females.

4. Page 16 of Annual Report (Kids in Community Sports Program) – Clarify the percentage provided under “Gender.”

Percentage should read 46% males and 54% females

5. On Wellness Program, are there plans to increase the participants and how does the Commission ensure that this initiative is achieved?

There are plans to increase participation in the wellness programs. Through partnerships with Ministry of Health, we will train and equip our community Fitness Leaders to be wellness agents in the communities so more regular wellness sessions are conducted around the country on a regular basis than just having the commission team moving around to conduct wellness programs.

The success of the wellness program is measured through testing done by Ministry of Health at regular intervals of the wellness calendar.