### **Terms**

OF THE

## Decision OF THE

# FUFA Competitions Disciplinary Panel AT FUFA HOUSE, MENGO ON

29th October 2021

In the case of:

**TOORO UNITED FC** 

(Decision: CDP No-27 of 2021)

Regarding

Violation of the FUFA COVID-19 Regulations

#### Circumstances of the case

Disciplinary proceedings were opened against the management of Tooro United FC on allegations of allowing more than 200 fans into the stadium on the Tooro United FC VS Mbarara City FC match that was played on Saturday  $23 \, \mathrm{rd}$  October 2021 at Buhinga Stadium-Fort Portal contrary to the FUFA COVID 19 Regulations more so with most of them being seen without wearing face masks and further the match kicked off 10 minutes late because of the delayed arrival of Tooro United FC.

The Competitions Disciplinary Panel made the following findings;

#### Legal framework

Article 10 of the FUFA COVID-19 Regulations establishes that,

- 1. "All matches shall be played without spectators.
- 2. Spectators shall only be allowed with written permission from FUFA.
- 3. Any club/team that violates Art 10(2) above shall be liable to disciplinary action.

Article 11 of the FUFA COVID-19 Regulations establishes that

'Wearing face masks at all times is mandatory while in the stadium'

#### **Decision**

In the present case the Competitions Disciplinary Panel identified and took into account the fact that:

- i. The majority of the fans that were allowed into the stadium were not wearing masks contrary to Article 11(1) of the FUFA COVID-19 Regulations which provides; "Wearing facemasks covering the nose and mouth at all times is mandatory while in the stadium."
- ii. There were indeed more than 200 fans allowed to access the stadium contrary to FUFA COVID 19 REGULATIONS.
- iii. Tooro United indeed arrived late to the stadium and has not filed any written response to the allegations made against them.

#### **DECISION**

#### Accordingly, CDP hereby;

- 1. **SANCTIONS** TOORO UNITED FC for violation of the FUFA COVID-19 regulations by allowing people without face masks on the stadium with one match under closed stadium for the next Star times Uganda premier league home game.
- A WARNING against non-compliance to the laws of the game ie late arrival to the stadium and directs that Tooro United should endeavour to follow the laws of the game.
- 3. A CASH FINE OF UGX 1,000,000(Uganda Shillings One Million) to be paid within 15(fifteen days) from receipt of this decision to the FUFA ACCOUNT

**ACCOUNT NO.7210000969 ECO BANK NDEEBA BRANCH** and avail proof of the payment to the committee by latest 13<sup>th</sup> November 2021.

4. Failure to pay within the above prescribed time shall lead to further disciplinary sanctions.

Should you fail to heed to the sanction above, the CDP shall be constrained to take stronger disciplinary measures against you.

#### Note relating to terms of the decision:

The Judicial Bodies have decided to communicate only the terms of the decision. Any request for the grounds or the entire decision must be sent in writing to the FUFA Secretariat within seven (7) days of receipt of the decision. Such a request does not affect the terms of the decision, which come into force with immediate effect.

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