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23rd AfHF Ordinary Congress Meeting

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The 23rd Ordinary Congress session of the AfHF took place in Accra, Ghana on 22 January 2022 during the same week of the Africa Cup of Nations [ACN] 2022 (M/W) 17-23 Jan. 2022. This Congress session was long awaited since it was postponed from August 2021 due to the COVID-19 restrictions. Twelve (12) delegations attended out of 24 full National Associations (NAs) and the meeting took place in ALISA Hotel in Accra.

The AfHF CEO Mr. Ahmed Azmy presented a review of the years 2019 and 2020 highlighting the postponements and cancellations of many events especially during 2020 where COVID-19 negative impact peaked. He also highlighted the massive development efforts and online courses that were administered during those 2 years in cooperation with the FIH Academy (FIHA) and the Asian Hockey Federation (AHF). An update on 2021 was also presented and the 2022 events were discussed with a glimpse of the AfHF 4-year calendar. Other topics presented were: review of the AfHF Committees, the importance of social media platforms, a completed project led by the AfHF President Mr. Seif Ahmed: the Arabic translation of the “Rules of Hockey”, introduction to Hockey ID (Intellectual Disability), update on World Masters Hockey (WMH), Officials Exchange and Educations MoUs with the Asian and European Hockey Federations, planned re-activation of the TAP programs, and an overview of the Watch.Hockey website and mobile app (launched Sep. 2020) highlighting the live streaming coverage of the Indoor Africa Cup [IAC] 2021 (M/W), a few test matches, and the ongoing Africa Cup of Nations [ACN] 2022 (M/W).

A presentation titled “Career Development Pathways for Umpires & Technical Officials” was made by the AfHF’s Officials Committee Chair Mr. Richard Akpokavie.

The Gambia, being the latest new National Association (NA), was welcomed by the AfHF Congress members after being fully affiliated by the decision of the latest FIH Congress of May 2021.

Elections took place for 1 Vice President (VP) position and 2 Executive Board (EB) members positions resulting in the re-election for a 2-year term of: Mr. Nii Quaye-Kumah (GHA) -VP- unopposed, Mr. Doshi Kaushik (TAN) -EB Member- with 9 votes and Mr. Ediga Agbo (NGR) -EB Member- with 8 votes.

The Congress ended on a positive note where all members expressed their pleasant experience with the exciting matches taking place with the biggest ever ACN tournaments having 8 Women’s and 7 Men’s national teams competing for a spot in the next FIH World Cups.

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