

POST TOURNAMENT REPORT





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MESSAGE FROM THE

AFC PRESIDENT

Dear friends,

It gives me great pleasure to welcome you to the Post Tournament Report of the AFC Asian Cup Qatar 2023™, which can only be described as Asian football's crowning moment.

Our heartfelt congratulations once again to Qatar for their historic victory and all our teams and Member Associations (MAs) for their exceptional contributions and of course, our gratitude goes to our dear friends from the Qatar Football Association, the Local Organising Committee (LOC) and the Qatari Authorities for their world-class hosting capabilities.

Each edition of the AFC Asian Cup™ sets the bar for the next, and I am delighted to note this proud legacy was reinforced as a record 1.5 million fans showcased their passion across the nine world-class venues, with digital engagement surpassing 7.9 billion impressions and new benchmarks also set in TV viewership.

Inspired by a pioneering spirit, the 18th edition of Asia's crown jewel also achieved many firsts off the pitch. From the introduction of the Semi-Automated Offside Technology and the full debut of the Video Assistant Referee systems, we also inaugurated the AFC eAsian Cup and appointed our women's match officials to the Continent's most prestigious men's tournament for the first time.

So much of our accomplishments can be attributed to the meticulous attention to detail demonstrated

during the planning stage and most heartening of all throughout this journey was the determination to bring to life the AFC's Vision and Mission for our MAs.

As you peruse this comprehensive report, you will gain insights into the sum of all the parts, the various functional areas, both at the AFC and the LOC, integrating seamlessly and collaborating harmoniously as one family with one cohesive purpose: to show the world the true progress of the AFC and its members.

Amidst the shortest-ever preparation runway, we can all take a moment to reflect with great pride our commitment to the ingenuity, agility and, above all, our unwavering drive to excellence which enabled us not only to rise above the challenges but set new hallmarks in Continental national team football operations and delivery.

I would like to put on record my sincerest appreciation to all the dedicated members of the AFC Delegation, both internal and external, our Commercial Partners, our valued broadcast and media stakeholders as well as our selfless volunteers for delivering what will be remembered as our finest hour in history.

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Shaikh Salman bin Ebrahim Al Khalifa AFC President





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A stunning successful title defence by Qatar was the crowning moment of a glorious AFC Asian Cup Qatar 2023™, where all manners of records were broken over 30 days at the 18th edition of Asia's crown jewel. Akram Afif, the Most Valuable Player, plundered the first ever hat-trick in an AFC Asian Cup™ Final to inspire the hosts to a second Continental title and see them become only the fifth team in history to record back to back triumphs; meanwhile their opponents, Jordan, had already advanced further than ever before in a sensational campaign.

The remarkable progress of Asian teams was underlined by the quartet of Knockout Stage debutants, namely Indonesia, Palestine, Syria and Tajikistan, with the Tajiks doing so at their maiden AFC Asian Cup^{TM} .

A record 132 goals were plundered across 51 matches and the thrilling nature of the tournament saw fans flock to the nine world-class venues – which included FIFA World Cup stadiums for the first time ever – to set new spectatorship records for an opening match (82,490), overall attendance (over 1.5 million) as well as stadium capacity (73%).

Off the pitch, the AFC Asian Cup Qatar 2023™ cemented its position as the most appealing men's flagship ever by registering a remarkable 7.9 billion impressions across all of the AFC's digital channels, which offered content in 13 different languages for the first time; similarly, broadcast figures also smashed previous TV viewership benchmarks as a global audience was held spellbound.

A slew of fresh technological innovations helped to deliver a top class visual spectacle, as the AFC implemented the Video Assistant Referee and Semi-Automated Offside Technology systems for all matches at an AFC Asian Cup™





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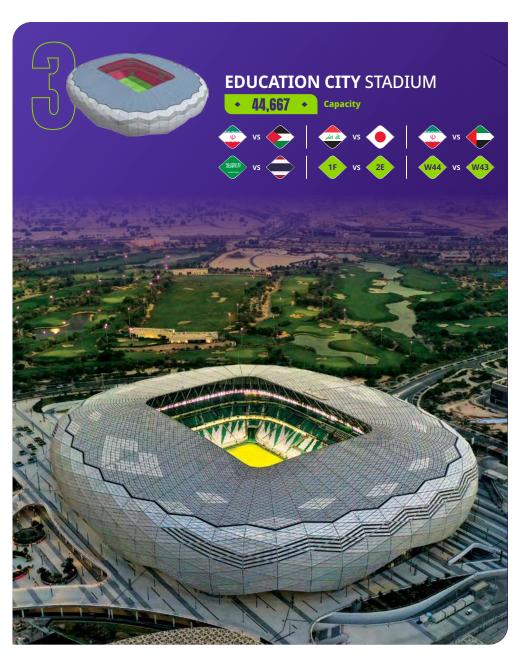


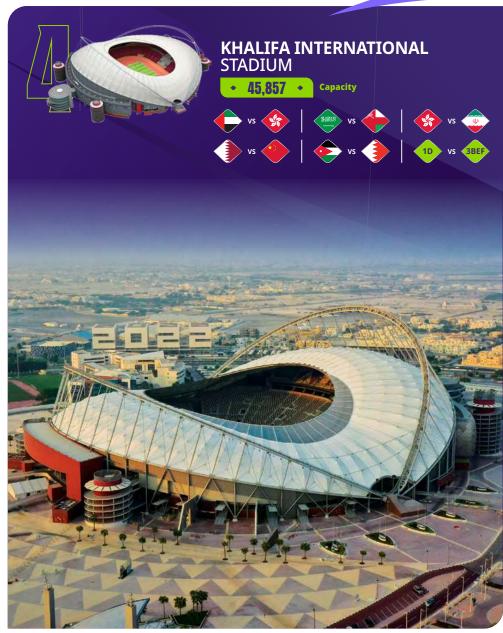




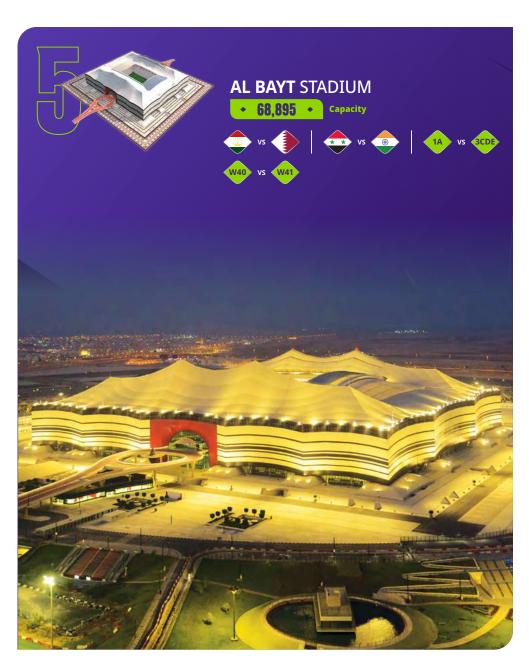


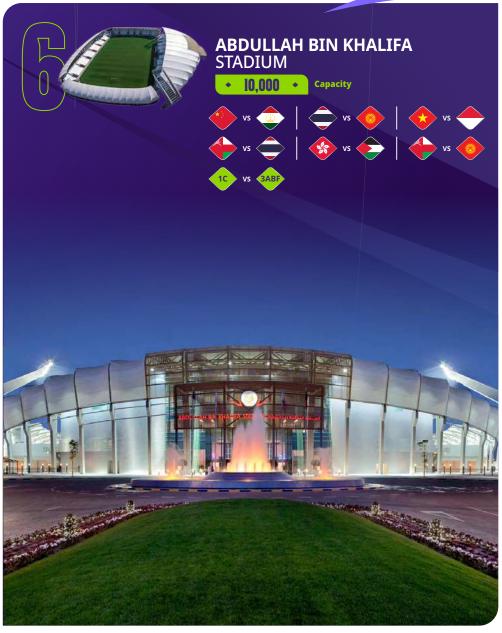




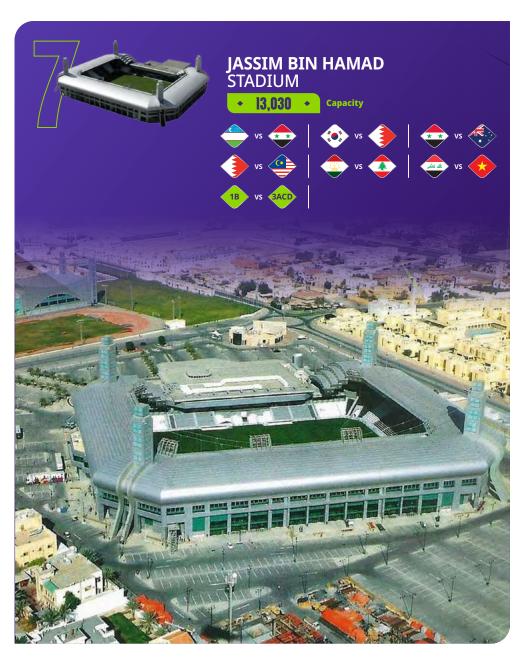


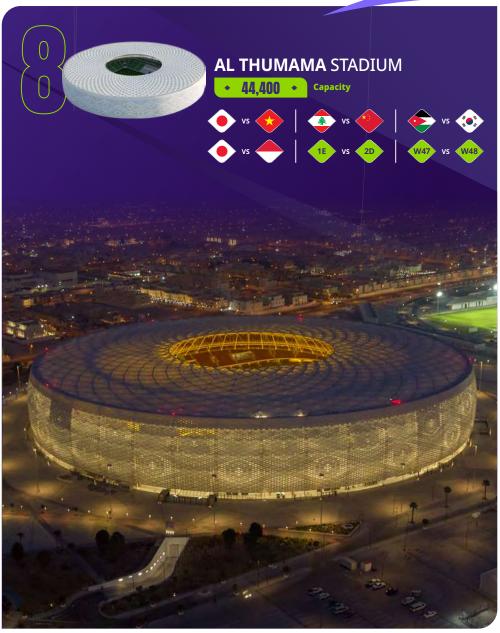
















TRAINING SITE PRINCIPLES



Six (6) Training Site Clusters were used for the Competition – Al Egla, Al Ersaal, Qatar University, Al Gharrafa, Al Rayyan and Aspire.



Teams were assigned dedicated Training Site Clusters, based on their closest distance to the respective Team Hotels.



Teams had usage of dedicated fields within each Cluster; however, depending on the selected training timings, teams rotated within the Cluster when required. In these instances, teams were assigned to the next available unallocated field to as part of pitch maintenance efforts. Sites that required rotation were Al Egla, Al Ersaal and Qatar University.



TRAINING SITE

GROUP A

HOTEL	TRAINING SITE
QAT : Al Messila Luxury Collection Resort	Aspire 3
CHN : Le Meridien City Center Doha	Qatar University 3
TJK: Banyan Tree Doha	Al Erssal 1
LBN : Voco Doha West Bay Suites	Al Egla 9
	QAT: Al Messila Luxury Collection Resort CHN: Le Meridien City Center Doha TJK: Banyan Tree Doha LBN: Voco Doha West

GROUP B

РМА	HOTEL	TRAINING SITE
	AUS: Marsa Malaz Kempinski	Qatar University 11
	UZB: St Regis Doha	Qatar University 6
**	SYR: Ezdan Palace	Al Gharrafa 1
	IND: Hotel Steigenberger	Al Egla 10

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GROUP	C	
РМА	HOTEL	TRAINING SITE
•	IRN: Al Rayyan Hotel Curio	Al Rayyan 1
•	UAE : Waldorf Astoria Lusail	Al Egla 5
\$	HKG : Wyndham West Bay	Qatar University 9
•	PLE: Intercontinental Doha - The City	Al Erssal 3

GROUP D

РМА		HOTEL	TRAINING SITE
	JPN:	The Westin Doha Hotel & Spa	Al Erssal 6
	IDN:	W Doha Hotel	Al Egla 2
بلا الله الكبر	IRQ:	Dusit D2 Salwa	Al Gharrafa 2
•	VIE:	Holiday Villa Hotel & Residence	Al Rayyan 2

GROUP E

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РМА	HOTEL	TRAINING SITE
" • " · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	KOR: Grand Hyatt Doha	Al Egla 7
•	MAS: Dusit Doha Hotel	Qatar University 10
	JOR: Century Marina Hotel Lusail	Al Egla 3
>	BHR : Marsa Malaz Kempinski	Qatar University 1

GROUP F

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РМА	HOTEL	TRAINING SITE
3/2/10	KSA: Al Aziziyah Hotel	Aspire 8
\(\bigs\)	THA: Dusit D2 Salwa	Al Erssal 2
	KGZ : Hyatt Regency Oryx Doha	Al Egla 1
	OMA : Wyndham West Bay	Qatar University 8

ON MATCHDAY -1

- Official Training held at the Training Sites
 Teams were accorded familiarisation sessions at the stadiums

INSPECTIONS & MEETINGS

After the confirmation of Qatar as the new hosts, AFC conducted several visits to meet the Local Organising Committee (LOC) for discussions about the tournament preparations, as well as inspections of the proposed stadiums and training sites.

DATE	MEETING	ACTIVITY
2 and 3 November 2022	1st Coordination Meeting	The AFC delegation, led by AFC Deputy Director, Competitions and Football Events Division, Avazbek Berdikulov, met with QFA General Secretary Mansoor Mohammed Al-Ansari as well as key representatives from the relevant functional and operational areas.
5 February 2023	2nd Coordination Meeting	The AFC delegation met with the Organising Association, followed by inspection visits to the proposed stadiums and the Final Draw venue.
11 March 2023	3rd Coordination Meeting	The AFC had the first meeting with the LOC after its establishment and discussed topline key topics such as Competition Dates, Stadiums and Match Schedule.
13 to 18 June 2023	4th Coordination meeting	A meeting with the LOC was followed by inspection visits to the stadiums to discuss the details of the Stadium Technical Annex.
26 and 27 July 2023	5th Coordination meeting	The LOC visited the AFC House, in conjunction with FIFA World Cup 2026 Preliminary Joint Qualification Draw, to discuss various topics with their relevant AFC functional area counterparts.
5 and 6 October 2023	6th Coordination meeting	The meeting was followed by spot check inspections at some of the stadiums in order to follow up on pending matters.
14 to 16 November 2023	7th Coordination meeting	A meeting with the LOC to follow up on the key pending matters, followed by spot check inspections at stadiums and training sites.



GROUP STAGE

GROUP A												
	Р	W	D	L	F	Α	GD	PTS	QAT	3 - 0	LBN	
QAT	3	3	0	0	5	0	5	9	CHN	0 - 0	TJK	
•							_	_	LBN	0 - 0	CHN	
TJK	3	1	1	1	2	2	0	4	TIK	0 - 1	QAT	
CHN	3	0	2	1	0	1	-1	2	QAT	1 - 0	CHN	
LBN	3	0	1	2	1	5	-4	1	TJK	2 - 1	LBN	

GROUP D											
	Р	W	D	L	F	Α	GD	PTS	JPN	4 - 2	VIE
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JPN	3	2	0	1	8	5	3	6	VIE	0 - 1	IDN
IDN	3	1	0	2	3	6	-3	3	JPN	3 - 1	IDN
VIE	3	0	0	3	4	8	-4	0	IRQ	3 - 2	VIE

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UZB	3	1	2	0	4	1	3	5	IND	0 - 3	UZB
SYR	3	1	1	1	1	1	0	4	AUS	1 - 1	UZB
IND	3	0	0	3	0	6	-6	0	SYR	1 - 0	IND

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	Р	W	D	L	F	Α	GD	PTS
BHR	3	2	0	1	3	3	0	6
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JOR	3	1	1	1	6	3	3	4
MAS	3	0	1	2	3	8	-5	1

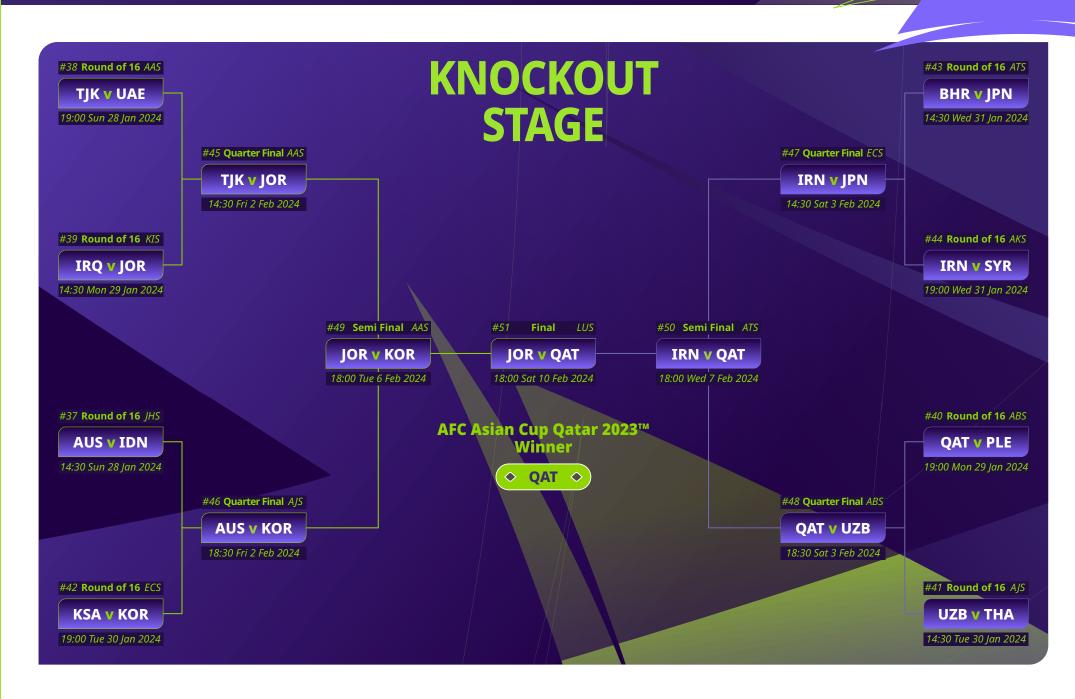
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UAE	3	1	1	1	5	4	1	4	HKG	0 - 1	IRN
PLE	3	1	1	1	5	5	0	4	IRN	2 - 1	UAE
HKG	3	0	0	3	1	7	-6	0	HKG	0 - 3	PLE

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P - Match played | W - Won | D - Draw | L - Lost | GF - Goal for | GA - Goal against | GD - Goal difference | PTS - Points

ALL GROUP STAGE MATCHES

NO.	DATE	TIME	VENUE	MATCH	RESULT
1	12 Jan 2024	19:00	Lusail Stadium	Qatar - Lebanon	3 -0 (1 -0)
••••••	13 Jan 2024	14:30	Ahmad Bin Ali Stadium	Australia - India	2 -0 (0 -0)
3	13 Jan 2024	17:30	Abdullah Bin Khalifa Stadium	China PR - Tajikistan	0 -0
1	13 Jan 2024	20:30	Jassim Bin Hamad Stadium	Uzbekistan - Syria	0 -0
5	14 Jan 2024	14:30	Al Thumama Stadium	Japan - Vietnam	4 -2 (3 -2)
5	14 Jan 2024	17:30	Khalifa International Stadium	UAE - Hong Kong, China	3 -1 (1 -0)
7	14 Jan 2024	20:30	Education City Stadium	IR Iran - Palestine	4 -1 (3 -1)
3	15 Jan 2024	14:30	Jassim Bin Hamad Stadium	Korea Republic - Bahrain	3 -1 (1 -0)
9	15 Jan 2024	17:30	Ahmad Bin Ali Stadium	Indonesia - Iraq	1 –3 (1 -2)
0	15 Jan 2024	20:30	Al Janoub Stadium	Malaysia - Jordan	0 -4 (0 -3)
11	16 Jan 2024	17:30	Abdullah Bin Khalifa Stadium	Thailand - Kyrgyz Republic	2 -0 (1 -0)
12	16 Jan 2024	20:30	Khalifa International Stadium	Saudi Arabia - Oman	2 –1 (0 -1)
13	17 Jan 2024	14:30	Al Thumama Stadium	Lebanon - China PR	0 -0 (0 -0
14	17 Jan 2024	17:30	Al Bayt Stadium	Tajikistan - Qatar	0 –1 (0 -1)
15	18 Jan 2024	14:30	Jassim Bin Hamad Stadium	Syria - Australia	0 –1 (0 -0)
16	18 Jan 2024	17:30	Ahmad Bin Ali Stadium	India - Uzbekistan	0 –3 (0 -3)
17	18 Jan 2024	20:30	Al Janoub Stadium	Palestine - UAE	1 –1 (0 -1)
18	19 Jan 2024	14:30	Education City Stadium	Iraq - Japan	2 –1 (2 -0)
19	19 Jan 2024	17:30	Abdullah Bin Khalifa Stadium	Vietnam - Indonesia	0 –1 (0 -1)
20	19 Jan 2024	20:30	Khalifa International Stadium	Hong Kong, China - IR Iran	0 –1 (0 -1)
21	20 Jan 2024	14:30	Al Thumama Stadium	Jordan - Korea Republic	2 –2 (2 -1)
22	20 Jan 2024	17:30	Jassim Bin Hamad Stadium	Bahrain - Malaysia	1 -0 (0 -0)
23	21 Jan 2024	17:30	Abdullah Bin Khalifa Stadium	Oman - Thailand	0 –0
24	21 Jan 2024	20:30	Ahmad Bin Ali Stadium	Kyrgyz Republic - Saudi Arabia	0 –2 (0 -1)
25	22 Jan 2024	18:00	Khalifa International Stadium	Qatar - China PR	1 –0 (0 -0)
26	22 Jan 2024	18:00	Jassim Bin Hamad Stadium	Tajikistan - Lebanon	2 –1 (0 -0)
27	23 Jan 2024	14:30	Al Janoub Stadium	Australia - Uzbekistan	1 –1 (1 –0))
28	23 Jan 2024	14:30	Al Bayt Stadium	Syria - India	1 –0 (0 -0)
29	23 Jan 2024	18:00	Education City Stadium	IR Iran - UAE	2 –1 (1 -0)
30	23 Jan 2024	18:00	Abdullah Bin Khalifa Stadium	Hong Kong, China - Palestine	0 -3 (0 -1)
31	24 Jan 2024	14:30	Al Thumama Stadium	Japan - Indonesia	3 –1 (1 -0)
32	24 Jan 2024	14:30	Jassim Bin Hamad Stadium	Iraq - Vietnam	3 –2 (0 -1)
33	25 Jan 2024	14:30	Al Janoub Stadium	Korea Republic - Malaysia	3 –3 (1 –0)
34	25 Jan 2024	14:30	Khalifa International Stadium	Jordan - Bahrain	0 –1 (0 -1)
35	25 Jan 2024	18:00	Education City Stadium	Saudi Arabia - Thailand	0 -0
36	25 Jan 2024	18:00	Abdullah Bin Khalifa Stadium	Kyrgyz Republic - Oman	1 –1 (0 -1)





ALL KNOCKOUT STAGE MATCHES

ROUND OF 16

NO.	DATE	TIME	VENUE	МАТСН	RESULT
37	28 Jan 2024	14:30	Jassim Bin Hamad Stadium	Australia - Indonesia	4 -0 (2 -0)
38	28 Jan 2024	19:00	Ahmad Bin Ali Stadium	Tajikistan - UAE	1 –1 AET (1 –1, 1 -0) 5 –3 PSO
39	29 Jan 2024	14:30	Khalifa International Stadium	Iraq - Jordan	2 -3 (0 -1)
40	29 Jan 2024	19:00	Al Bayt Stadium	Qatar - Palestine	2 –1 (1 -1)
41	30 Jan 2024	14:30	Al Janoub Stadium	Uzbekistan - Thailand	2 –1 (1 -0)
42	30 Jan 2024	19:00	Education City Stadium	Saudi Arabia - Korea Republic	1 –1 AET (1 -1, 0 -0) 2 –4 PSO
43	31 Jan 2024	14:30	Al Thumama Stadium	Bahrain - Japan	1 -3 (0 -1)
44	31 Jan 2024	19:00	Abdullah Bin Khalifa Stadium	IR Iran - Syria	1 –1 AET (1 –1, 1 -0) 5 –3 PSO

QUARTER FINALS

NO.	DATE	TIME	VENUE	МАТСН	RESULT
45	2 Feb 2024	14:30	Ahmad Bin Ali Stadium	Tajikistan - Jordan	0 -1 (0 -0)
46	2 Feb 2024	18:30	Al Janoub Stadium	Australia - Korea Republic	1 –2 AET (1 –1, 1 -0)
47	3 Feb 2024	14:30	Education City Stadium	IR Iran - Japan	2 –1 (0 -1)
48	3 Feb 2024	18:30	Al Bayt Stadium	Qatar - Uzbekistan	1 -1 AET (1 -1,1 -0) 3 -2 PSO

SEMI FINALS

NO.	DATE	TIME	VENUE	матсн	RESULT
49	6 Feb 2024	19:00	Ahmad Bin Ali Stadium	Jordan - Korea Republic	2 -0 (0 -0)
50	7 Feb 2024	15:00	Al Thumama Stadium	IR Iran - Qatar	2 –3 (1 -2)

FINALS

NO.	DATE	TIME	VENUE	матсн	RESULT
51	10 Feb 2024	18:00	Lusail Stadium	Jordan - Qatar	1 –3 (0 -1)





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NO.	YEAR	HOST(S)	CHAMPION	RUNNER-UP	FORMAT/RESULT
1	1956	Hong Kong, China	Korea Republic	Israel	Round-Robin
2	1960	Korea Republic	Korea Republic	Israel	Round-Robin
3	1964	Israel	Israel	India	Round-Robin
4	1968	Islamic Republic of Iran	Islamic Republic of Iran	Burma	Round-Robin
5	1972	Thailand	Islamic Republic of Iran	Korea Republic	2-1 a.e.t
6	1976	Islamic Republic of Iran	Islamic Republic of Iran	Kuwait	1-0
7	1980	Kuwait	Kuwait	Korea Republic	3-0
8	1984	Singapore	Saudi Arabia	China PR	2-0
9	1988	Qatar	Saudi Arabia	Korea Republic	0-0 a.e.t; 4-3 PSO
10	1992	Japan	Japan	Saudi Arabia	1-0
11	1996	UAE	Saudi Arabia	UAE	0-0 a.e.t; 4-2 PSO
12	2000	Lebanon	Japan	Saudi Arabia	1-0
13	2004	China PR	Japan	China PR	3-1
14	2007	Indonesia, Malaysia, Thailand, Vietnam	Iraq	Saudi Arabia	1-0
15	2011	Qatar	Japan	Australia	1-0 a.e.t
16	2015	Australia	Australia	Korea Republic	2-1 a.e.t
17	2019	UAE	Qatar	Japan	3-1
18	2023	Qatar	Qatar	Jordan	3-1
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AFC ASIAN CUP QATAR 2023™ SPECTATOR ATTENDANCE NUMBERS

						ATTEN	DANCE	
MATCH NO.	DATE	ко тіме	GROUP	матсн	VENUE	AVERAGE: 29,565		
						PER MATCH	ACCUMULATED (TOTAL)	
1	12-Jan-24	19:00	А	QAT vs LBN	LUS	82,490	82,490	
2	13-Jan-24	14:30	В	AUS vs IND	AAS	36,253	118,743	
3	13-Jan-24	17:30	Α	CHN vs TJK	AKS	4,001	122,744	
4	13-Jan-24	20:30	В	UZB vs SYR	JHS	10,198	132,942	
5	14-Jan-24	14:30	D	JPN vs VIE	ATS	17,385	150,327	
6	14-Jan-24	17:30	С	UAE vs HKG	KIS	15,586	165,913	
7	14-Jan-24	20:30	С	IRN vs PLE	ECS	27,691	193,604	
8	15-Jan-24	14:30	E	KOR vs BHR	JHS	8,388	201,992	
9	15-Jan-24	17:30	D	IDN vs IRQ	AAS	16,532	218,524	
10	15-Jan-24	20:30	Е	MAS vs JOR	AJS	20,410	238,934	
11	16-Jan-24	17:30	F	THA vs KGZ	AKS	4,530	243,464	
12	16-Jan-24	20:30	F	KSA vs OMA	KIS	41,987	285,451	
13	17-Jan-24	14:30	А	LBN vs CHN	ATS	14,137	299,588	

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14	17-Jan-24	17:30	Α	TJK vs QAT	ABS	57,460	357,048
15	18-Jan-24	14:30	В	SYR vs AUS	JHS	10,097	367,145
16	18-Jan-24	17:30	В	IND vs UZB	AAS	38,491	405,636
17	18-Jan-24	20:30	С	PLE vs UAE	AJS	41,986	447,622
18	19-Jan-24	14:30	D	IRQ vs JPN	ECS	38,663	486,285
19	19-Jan-24	17:30	D	VIE vs IDN	AKS	7,253	493,538
20	19-Jan-24	20:30	С	HKG vs IRN	KIS	36,412	529,950
21	20-Jan-24	14:30	Е	JOR vs KOR	ATS	36,627	566,577
22	20-Jan-24	17:30	Е	BHR vs MAS	JHS	10,386	576,963
23	21-Jan-24	17:30	F	OMA vs THA	AKS	6,340	583,303
24	21-Jan-24	20:30	F	KGZ vs KSA	AAS	39,557	622,860
25	22-Jan-24	18:00	Α	QAT vs CHN	KIS	42,104	664,964
26	22-Jan-24	18:00	Α	TJK vs LBN	JHS	11,843	676,807
27	23-Jan-24	14:30	В	AUS vs UZB	AJS	15,290	692,097
28	23-Jan-24	14:30	В	SYR vs IND	ABS	42,787	734,884
29	23-Jan-24	18:00	С	IRN vs UAE	ECS	34,259	769,143
30	23-Jan-24	18:00	С	HKG vs PLE	AKS	6,568	775,711
31	24-Jan-24	14:30	D	JPN vs IDN	ATS	26,453	802,164
32	24-Jan-24	14:30	D	IRQ vs VIE	JHS	8,932	811,096
33	25-Jan-24	14:30	Е	KOR vs MAS	AJS	30,117	841,213

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34	25-Jan-24	14:30	Е	JOR vs BHR	KIS	39,650	880,863
35	25-Jan-24	18:00	F	KSA vs THA	ECS	38,773	919,636
36	25-Jan-24	18:00	F	KGZ vs OMA	AKS	6,231	925,867
37	28-Jan-24	14:30	R16	AUS vs IDN	JHS	7,863	933,730
38	28-Jan-24	19:00	R16	TJK vs UAE	AAS	33,584	967,314
39	29-Jan-24	14:30	R16	IRQ vs JOR	KIS	35,814	1,003,128
40	29-Jan-24	19:00	R16	QAT vs PLE	ABS	63,753	1,066,881
41	30-Jan-24	14:30	R16	UZB vs THA	AJS	18,691	1,085,572
42	30-Jan-24	19:00	R16	KSA vs KOR	ECS	42,389	1,127,961
43	31-Jan-24	14:30	R16	BHA vs JPN	ATS	31,832	1,159,793
44	31-Jan-24	19:00	R16	IRN vs SYR	AKS	8,720	1,168,513
45	2-Feb-24	14:30	QF	TJK vs JOR	AAS	35,530	1,204,043
46	2-Feb-24	18:30	QF	AUS vs KOR	AJS	39,632	1,243,675
47	3-Feb-24	14:30	QF	IRN vs JPN	ECS	35,640	1,279,315
48	3-Feb-24	18:30	QF	QAT vs UZB	ABS	58,791	1,338,106
49	6-Feb-24	18:00	SF	JOR vs KOR	AAS	42,850	1,380,956
50	7-Feb-24	18:00	SF	IRN vs QAT	ATS	40,342	1,421,298
51	10-Feb-24	18:00	F	JOR vs QAT	LUS	86,492	1,507,790

ACCREDITATION & ACCESS

ACCREDITATION

Accreditation was an integral part of the overall competition planning that included venue security and workforce management throughout the whole competition.

Accreditation provided access to all official venues and locations during the exclusive use period, starting MD -5 and ending MD +2.

The Accreditation System worked collaboratively with the Security Programme to prevent unauthorised persons from gaining access to the competition and official areas, while at the same time ensured that authorised personnel were able to gain access to their relevant workforce areas.

APPLICATION PROCESS

All personnel that required accreditation had to register the required details as part of the application process; the accreditation cards were subsequently printed and distributed at the AFC HQ, team arrival meetings and the accreditation centre.



STAFF & DELEGATION STAFF & DELEGATION

More than 230 personnel, including AFC full-time staff and external delegates, were appointed as AFC delegation members.

In addition, the largest-ever cast of more than 80 members were appointed as match officials which included referees, assistant referees and video assistant referees.

The AFC delegation arrived at the venue in batches depending on their job scope, with the advance team arriving three weeks prior to the opening match.

CATEGORY	TOTAL DELEGATION
General Secretary Office	5
Deputy General Secretary Office – Competitions & Football	3
Deputy General Secretary Office – Competitions & Football	1
General Administration & Services	1
Competitions & Football Events	3
Asian Cup Office	4
Competition Operations	6
Match Commissioners	5

CATEGORY	TOTAL DELEGATION
General Coordinators	8
Competition Coordinators	9
Operations Coordinators	8
Venue Administrators	4
Security & Access Control	9
Competition Commercial Operations	16
Media & Broadcast Operations	21
Event Services (Protocol, Guest Management and Airport & Transportation)	21
Ticketing	4
Football Technology	6
Commercial	4
Communications (Content & Reporters)	12

CATEGORY	TOTAL DELEGATION
Photography	11
Social Media	6
Audio Visual	11
ITT (AFCAS & Accreditation)	7
Legal	14
Logistics	2
Sports Medicine	12
Travel Office	3
Technical	12
Referees (Administration)	9
Finance	2
Match Officials	88





DRAW CEREMONIES DRAW CEREMONIES







DATE AND TIME:

1400hrs, Thursday, 11 May 2023

VENUE:

Katara Opera House, Doha, Qatar

DURATION:

One hour

AFC GUEST HOTEL:

Ritz Carlton Doha

ATTENDEES:

Over 300 guests, including the following:

- AFC Executive Committee Members
- Organising Committee for AFC Asian Cup 2023
- Participating Team Head Coaches and Members
- Media Representatives
- AFC Sponsors and Invited Guests
- Local Organising Committee (LOC)
- AFC and LOC Invited Guests

DRAW CEREMONIES DRAW CEREMONIES

GENERAL INFORMATION

Seven Draw Assistants were invited to be part of the ceremony. Comprising legendary players, coaches and referees, they were selected to represent all five AFC regions (East, West, ASEAN, South and Central).

















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OFFICIAL MATCH BALL LAUNCH

OFFICIAL MATCH BALL LAUNCH ON 10 AUGUST 2023

The VORTEXAC23 was designed by the AFC's Official Global Supporter of National Team Competitions, Kelme, exclusively for the AFC Asian Cup Qatar 2023™.

The ball underwent extensive technical testing to ensure it met the highest standards of performance, quality, durability and readiness for use in competition.

A bespoke edition of the ball, named VORTEXAC23+, was produced specially for use in the Final. Unveiled on 20 December 2023, the VORTEXAC23+'s gold colour was inspired by the desert sands of host nation, Qatar, and fused with the nation's traditional maroon colour. Embodying the competitive spirit and glory of the AFC Asian Cup Qatar 2023™, the Official Final Match Ball was on brilliant display in the Final on 12 January, 2024 as Qatar defeated Jordan to retain their crown.







AFC ASIAN CUP QATAR 2023™ LOGO LAUNCH

LOGO LAUNCH

The AFC Asian Cup Qatar 2023™ Official Logo was launched during the event, which featured a stage transformation following the logo reveal.

PRE-LAUNCH



POST-LAUNCH GRAPHICS





COMPETITION SLOGAN LAUNCH

SLOGAN LAUNCH - HAYYA ASIA

The Official Slogan was launched in conjunction with the 100 Days to Go Countdown event held on 4 October 2023 in Doha. "Hayya", which means "Let's Go" in Arabic, was selected by football fans across Asia via an online campaign.



100 DAYS TO GO 100 DAYS TO GO 100 DAYS TO GO

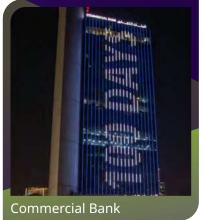
100 DAYS TO GO COUNTDOWN EVENT

The 100 Days to Go countdown event was held on 4 October 2023, in conjunction with the Team Workshop.

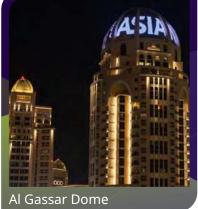
Iconic buildings in the city of Doha were lit up with the event-specific designs to raise public awareness about the AFC Asian Cup Qatar 2023™.











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PLAQUE PRESENTATION PLAQUE PRESENTATION

The AFC presented special commemorative plaques to the stadium representatives of all nine venues as recognition for their contribution to the success of the competition.

Each plaque presentation was conducted prior to the post-match press conference of the last match at the respective venues. The event was attended by the AFC General Coordinator of each venue, along with representatives from the LOC and stadium management.





AWARD CEREMONY AWARD CEREMONY

REFEREES COMMEMORATIVE AWARD





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AWARD CEREMONY AWARD CEREMONY



FAIRPLAY AWARD

QATAR





MOST VALUABLE PLAYER

AKRAM AFIF





YILI TOP GOAL SCORER

AKRAM AFIF (8 GOALS)





BEST GOALKEEPER

MESHAAL BARSHAM





AWARD CEREMONY AWARD CEREMONY

RUNNERS-UP

JORDAN







CHAMPIONS

QATAR





INTRODUCTION INTRODUCTION INTRODUCTION

FOOTBALL TECHNOLOGY IMPLEMENTATION COMPARISON

AC19 V AC23

FOOTBALL TECHNOLOGY	AC19	AC23
VAR	∜ From QF	All 51 matches
SAOT	n/a	%
EPTS	n/a	∜
Tactical camera	n/a	∜
Tactical tablet	n/a	∜
Medical tablet	n/a	∜



VIDEO ASSISTANT REFEREE (VAR):

The system was implemented for all 51 matches of the AFC Asian Cup Qatar 2023™ for the first time ever, following its inaugural introduction in 2019. This underscored the AFC's commitment towards improving the accuracy and integrity of the decision-making process for the Asia's flagship Competition.

SEMI-AUTOMATED OFFSIDE TECHNOLOGY (SAOT):

To enhance the capabilities of VAR, the AFC also introduced the SAOT system for all 51 matches, which marked its debut at a men's continental level national team competition.



Both VAR and SAOT systems were provided by Hawk-Eye Innovations. In addition, the 24 participating teams also benefited from a range of new football technology initiatives such as the **Electronic Performance & Tracking Systems (EPTS)** and **replay devices** that were made available for the first time at the Continental showcase.

VIDEO ASSISTANT REFEREE

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Throughout the tournament, the Video Match Officials (VMOs) performed their roles in the Video Operation Room (VOR) that was located at the Outside Broadcasting compound of each stadium. Within the VOR, personnel included the VAR, Assistant VAR (AVAR), Replay Operator (RO), Assistant RO, Venue Manager (VM), Venue Technical Guarantee (VTG) and AFC Football Technology (FT) Officer for every match.







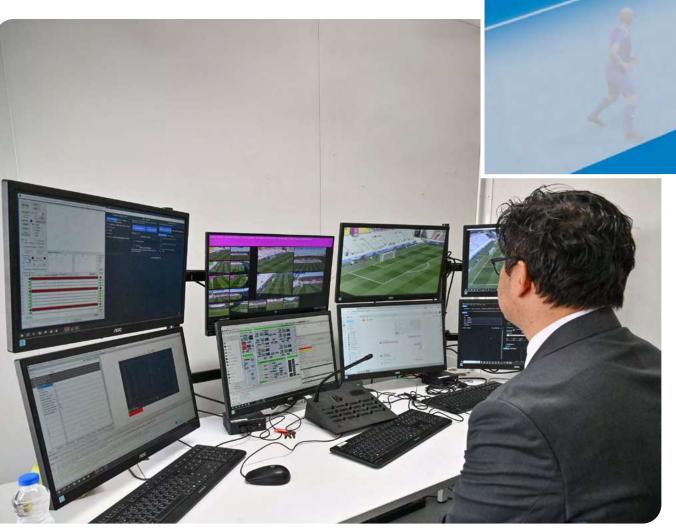
There were a total of 44 VAR reviews (on-field review (OFR): 35, Only VAR review: 9) throughout the tournament. In the case of an OFR situation, the AFC FT Officer sends the VAR graphics and replays of the incident to the Host Broadcaster (HB) and Infotainment team.

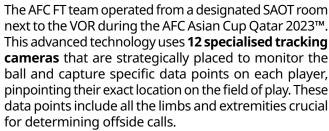
Vokkero Elite was the choice of communication devices for the Match Officials; these were used by the Referee, Assistant Referees, Fourth Official and Fifth Official to communicate with the VAR and AVARs.



SEMI-AUTOMATED OFFSIDE TECHNOLOGY

SEMI-AUTOMATED OFFSIDE TECHNOLOGY





Whenever a VAR review of key offside decisions has been undertaken during a match, 3D virtual graphics will subsequently be shown on the in-stadium giant screens as well as on the live match broadcasts upon completion of the checks. Throughout the Competition, such graphics have been displayed in about 40 instances.

Both the VAR and SAOT systems functioned smoothly during the tournament, further underlining the AFC's commitment towards improving the accuracy and integrity of decision-making by its match officials.

ELECTRONIC PERFORMANCE & TRACKING SYSTEMS

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With twelve (12) 4K tracking cameras that were complemented by additional broadcast cameras, the EPTS system processed data from these sources to accurately triangulate positions.

The match summary data aggregated statistics derived from the tracking data above included, but was not limited to, the following data points:

- Distance covered (m) in possession and when opposition is in possession
- Distance covered (m) when ball is in play and not in play
- Distance covered (m) and Time spent standing, walking, jogging
- Distance covered (m) and Time spent in low and high-intensity running

The collected data was available to all PMAs after every match of the AFC Asian Cup Qatar 2023™, in collaboration with FIFA.



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TACTICAL CAMERA & REPLAY TABLET

TACTICAL CAMERA & REPLAY TABLET





Using a wide-angle lens, the Main Camera Platform (MCP) Tactical Camera tracked live play, ensuring an unobstructed view of 20 outfield players at all times. The footage captured by the MCP Tactical Camera was accessible for download by the PMAs after the match, including the Tactical Camera feeds from all matches played by the other PMAs.

At all AFC Asian Cup Qatar 2023™ matches, both team benches were equipped with a tablet featuring replay functionality. This tablet provided access to various camera angles, including the dedicated MCP tactical camera feed, Program feed, High-behindgoal camera feed and the 16m camera feed, allowing each team to view and/or replay the footage during matches.





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The AFC Medical Officers at the tournament were provided with pitch-side medical tablets, which were able to display up to eight broadcast camera feeds simultaneously to enhance the effectiveness and efficiency of injury identification. This allowed the AFC's doctors to review the exact injury mechanism and communicate essential information regarding any medical situation to their respective team counterparts after reviewing the incidents on the tablets.

AFC Medical & Doping Control Officers, Dr. Ahmed I. Andijiani and Dr. Fenton Arnold Joseph Desouza, both described the tablets as essential tools for the Team Doctors in terms of making better injury assessments and decisions.







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The AFC Asian Cup Qatar 2023™ provided members of the media with state-of-the-art infrastructure and working conditions across all nine Competition venues.

More than 2,500 applied for media accreditation and roughly 1,500 members of the written press (PRE), photographers (PHO) and non-rights holders (NRH) from across the globe covered the Competition. Like previous editions, the AFC – through years of preparation and planning – ensured that the media's needs were catered to in every possible way, including media tickets, transportation, meals and other aspects.

Sixteen vastly-experienced AFC Media Officers (AMOs) were appointed for the event and, together with the LOC's Media Operations team and volunteers, laid the foundation for seamless and consistent functioning across all media areas. AMOs were divided into eight Resident Media Officers and eight Roaming Media Officers.

During this edition of the tournament, the AFC continued to deploy its online tool for photographers to reserve their on-field seats (capacity: 150 seats). Additionally, the e-ticketing tool for written press and non-rights holders at the Media Tribune (dependent on venue capacity) was utilised successfully.

As is standard practice at AFC tournaments, a dedicated team worked around the clock to provide the media with all requisite information through the AFC Media Channel. Previews, statistics, training schedules and other relevant Competition details were collated and updated regularly to ensure convenient access for journalists.

A WhatsApp Channel for media provided them with match-related information such as the Start List and the Match Summary. Additionally, the platform also provided real-time updates for the Teams' official media activity schedule (e.g. change of Official Training timing).

QR Codes for the Start List and the Match Summary were available at all venues.

Other official announcements were made and delivered through the accredited media's email addresses.

The indicators in the corresponding pages provide further insight into what was truly a groundbreaking tournament with regards to media operations in world football.

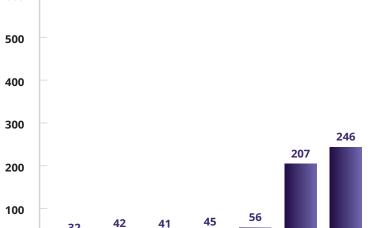
GROUP STAGE



MAIN MEDIA CENTRE

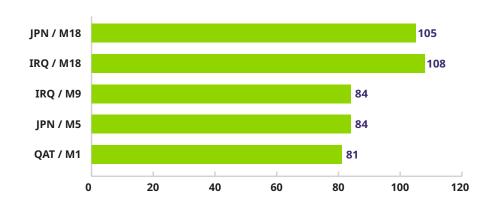
05 - 25 JANUARY TOTAL: 6,396 MEDIA

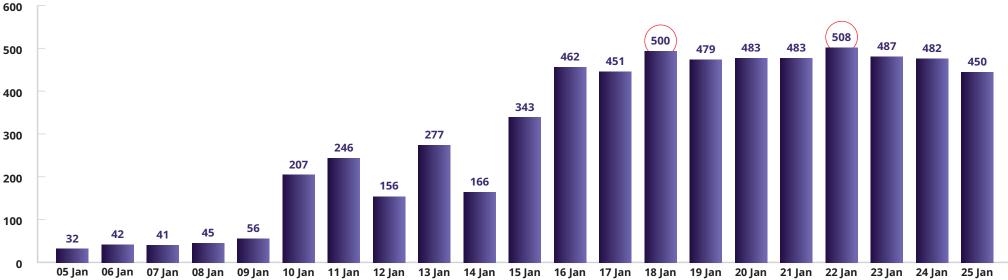
MMC MEDIA ATTENDANCE / DAY



36 x MD-1 Press Conferences

5 MOST POPULAR MD-1 P.C.S





GROUP STAGE

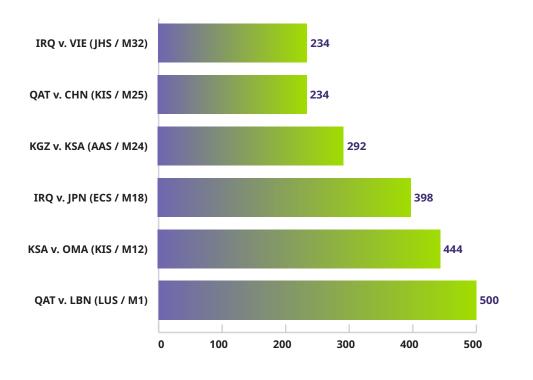


STADIUMS

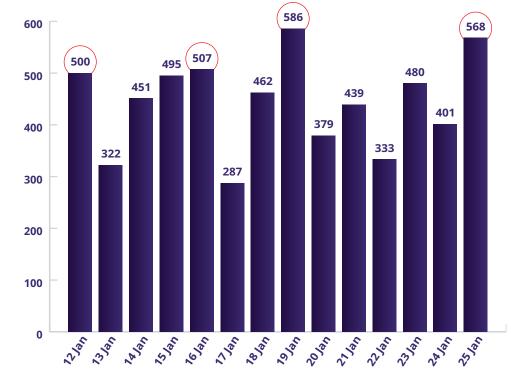
SUCCESSFUL PSA SCANS ALL GS MATCHES

TOTAL: 6,210 MEDIA

HIGHEST MEDIA ATTENDANCE / MATCH



MEDIA ATTENDANCE AT STADIUMS / MATCHDAY



ROUND OF 16



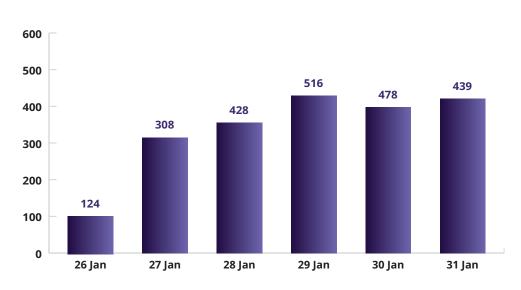
MAIN MEDIA CENTRE

SUCCESSFUL SCANS

26 - 31 JANUARY

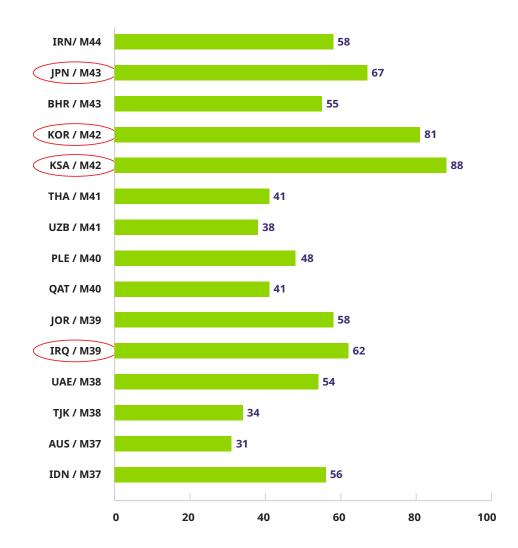
TOTAL: 2,293 MEDIA

MMC MEDIA ATTENDANCE / DAY



16 x MD-1 Press Conferences

MD-1 PC - MEDIA ATTENDANCE



ROUND OF 16

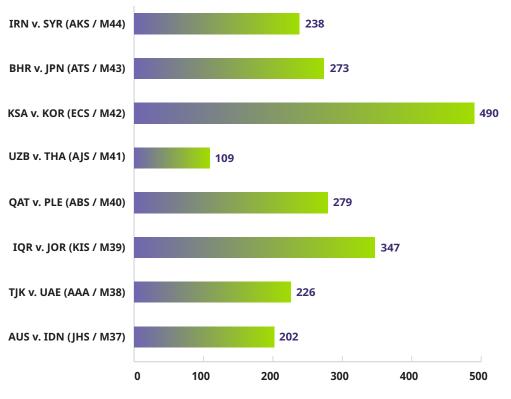


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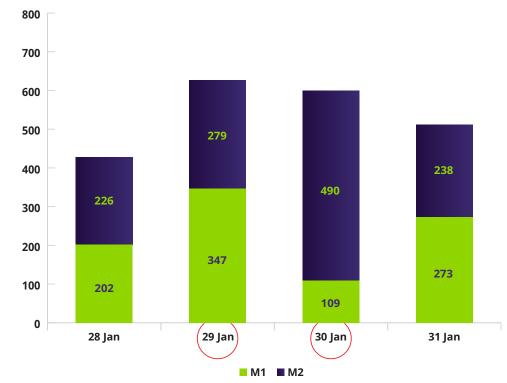
SUCCESSFUL SCANS ALL R-16 MATCHES

TOTAL: 2,164 MEDIA

MEDIA ATTENDANCE PER MATCH



TOTAL MEDIA ATTENDANCE PER MATCHDAY (BOTH MATCHES PER DAY)



QUARTER FINALS



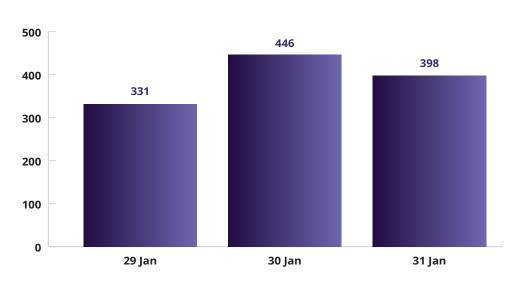
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SUCCESSFUL SCANS

01 - 03 FEBRUARY

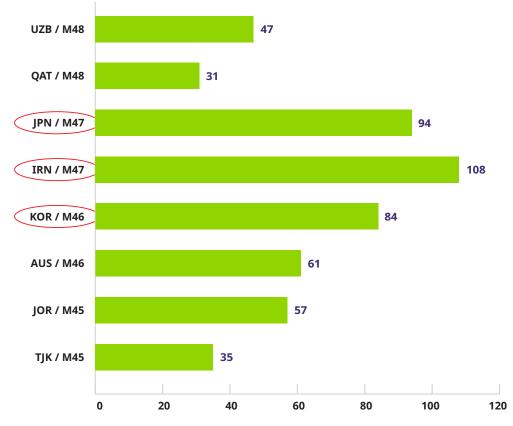
TOTAL: 1,175 MEDIA

MMC MEDIA ATTENDANCE / DAY



8 x MD-1 Press Conferences

MD-1 PC - PRESS CONFERENCE - MEDIA ATTENDANCE



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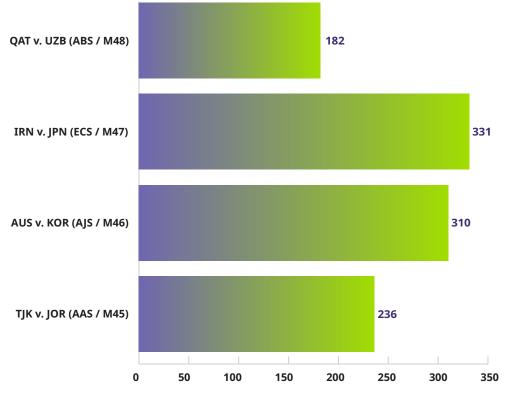


QUARTER FINALS



STADIUMS

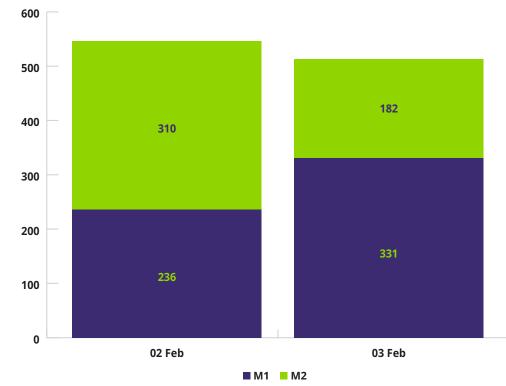
MEDIA ATTENDANCE PER MATCH



SUCCESSFUL SCANS
ALL OF MATCHES

TOTAL: 1,059 MEDIA

TOTAL MEDIA ATTENDANCE PER MATCHDAY (BOTH MATCHES PER DAY)



SEMI FINALS



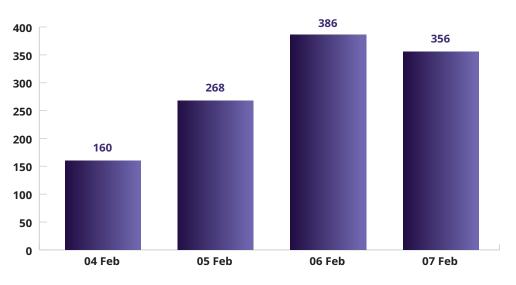
MAIN MEDIA CENTRE

SUCCESSFUL SCANS

04 - 07 FEBRUARY

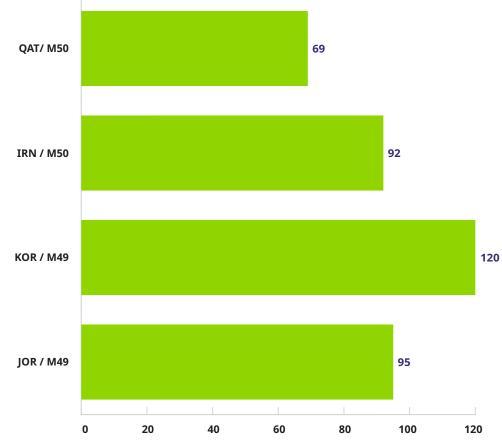
TOTAL: 1,170 MEDIA

MMC MEDIA ATTENDANCE / DAY



4 x MD-1 Press Conferences

MD-1 PC - PRESS CONFERENCE - MEDIA ATTENDANCE





SEMI FINALS

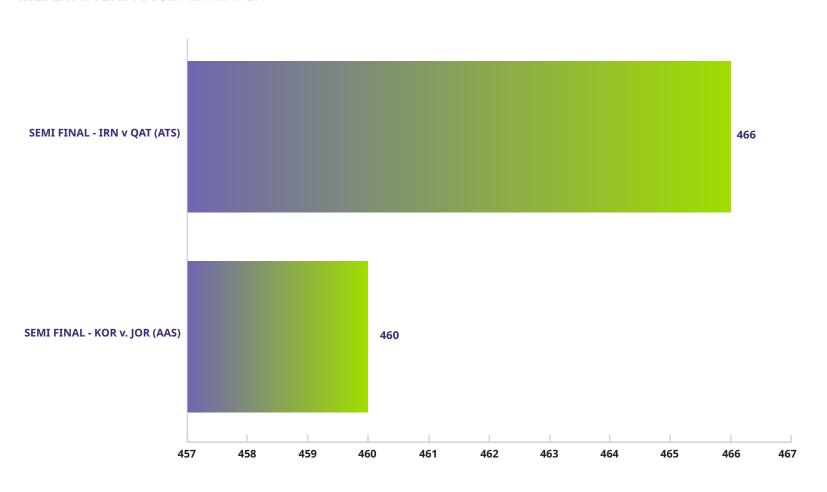


STADIUMS

SUCCESSFUL SCANS
2 X SEMI FINAL MATCHES

TOTAL: 926 MEDIA

MEDIA ATTENDANCE PER MATCH





FINALS



MAIN MEDIA CENTRE

PEAK HOURS 11:00 - 13:00

TOTAL SUCCESSFUL SCANS FOR 9 FEB

374 MEDIA / 30 BROADCASTERS

TOTAL: 404



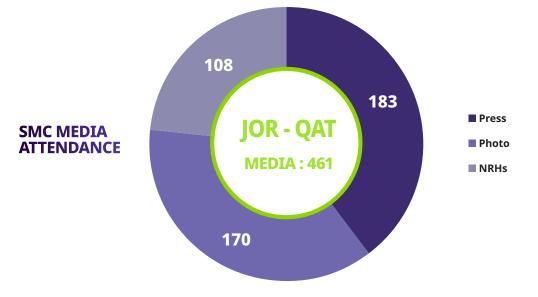


STADIUMS

LUS MATCH 51

PSA SCAN REPORT

TOTAL: 546 MEDIA



MEDIA ACCREDITATION MEDIA ACCREDITATION

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THE AFC ASIAN CUP QATAR 2023™ HAD A TWO-STEP MEDIA ACCREDITATION PROCESS:

- AFC Media Channel (1st Step)
- Hayya Media Portal (2nd Step)

After an application was approved via the AFC Media Channel, media personnel then had to access the **Hayya Media Portal (HMP)** to undergo a security check and receive visa approval. Thereafter, an Authorisation Letter was sent to the applicants' email, which was required for their Accreditation cards to be printed and then collected at either the Main Media Centre (MMC) or Doha Exhibition Centre (DEC).

REFERENCE POINTS:

- Some media personnel only completed the 1st Step.
- Those with Qatar IDs and residents of Qatar also did not proceed to the 2nd Step under the assumption that the HMP was only required for those who needed visas.

A handful of applicants received approval from the AFC Media Channel but did not receive approval from the HMP and vice-versa.

AFC ASIAN CUP UAE 2019

Applied	1550	PRE	905
Approved	1464	РНО	458
Pending / rejected	86	NRH	101

AFC ASIAN CUP AUSTRALIA 2015

Applied	1695	PRE	875
Approved	1671	РНО	463
Pending / rejected	24	NRH	333

AFC ASIAN CUP QATAR 2011

Applied	1346	PRE	763
A manuacia d	1255	РНО	370
Approved	1255	NRH	96
Pending / rejected	91	Others	26

ASIAN CUP QATAR 2023 – 1ST STEP AFC MEDIA CHANNEL

Applied	2660	PRE	905
Approved	2113	РНО	563
Pending / rejected	547	NRH	645



ASIAN CUP QATAR 2023 – 2ND STEP HAYYA MEDIA PORTAL

Applied	1,958
Approved	1,682
Pending / rejected	276



APPROVED MEDIA APPROVED MEDIA

GROUP STAGE

DATE	TEAM A	ТЕАМ В	PRE	РНО	NRH	TOTAL
12-Jan-24	QAT	LBN	240	138	108	486
	AUS	IND	117	142	61	320
13-Jan-24	UZB	SYR	150	119	75	344
	CHN	TJK	73	82	27	182
	UAE	HKG	83	73	46	202
14-Jan-24	IRN	PLE	144	141	94	379
	JPN	VIE	160	127	74	361
	IDN	IRQ	127	93	79	299
15-Jan-24	MAS	JOR	69	79	52	200
	KOR	BHR	154	110	59	323
16-Jan-24	KSA	OMA	227	110	143	480
10-ja11-24	THA	KGZ	51	46	34	131
17-Jan-24	TJK	QAT	120	115	67	302
17-ja11-24	LBN	CHN	104	82	56	242
	IND	UZB	64	61	44	169
18-Jan-24	PLE	UAE	127	122	84	333
	SYR	AUS	142	89	70	301

DATE	TEAM A	теам в	PRE	РНО	NRH	TOTAL
	HKG	IRN	93	95	42	230
19-Jan-24	IRQ	JPN	240	115	110	465
	VIE	IDN	37	44	32	113
20-Jan-24	BHR	MAS	65	69	49	183
20-jan-24	JOR	KOR	160	148	86	394
21-Jan-24	KGZ	KSA	170	154	111	435
21-ja11-24	OMA	THA	103	80	67	250
22-Jan-24	QAT	CHN	141	160	84	385
22-jan-24	TJK	LBN	82	57	70	209
	AUS	UZB	79	60	50	189
22 Jan 24	SYR	IND	66	53	65	184
23-Jan-24	IRN	UAE	156	121	81	358
	HKG	PLE	75	71	69	215
24-Jan-24	IRQ	VIE	130	95	101	326
24-jan-24	JPN	IDN	113	96	44	253
	JOR	BHR	114	72	72	258
25 1 24	KOR	MAS	93	72	47	212
25-Jan-24	KSA	THA	141	102	80	323
	KGZ	OMA	64	42	45	151



APPROVED MEDIA APPROVED MEDIA

KNOCKOUT STAGE

ROUND OF 16

DATE	TEAM A	TEAM B	PRE	PHO	NRH	TOTAL
20.1 24	TJK	UAE	158	138	91	387
28-Jan-24	AUS	IDN	143	144	72	359
20 Ian 24	IRQ	JOR	201	151	143	495
29-Jan-24	QAT	PLE	192	162	129	483
20 Jan 24	UZB	THA	82	87	58	227
30-Jan-24	KSA	KOR	272	213	157	642
31-Jan-24	BHR	JPN	205	144	92	441
31-jan-24	IRN	SYR	188	127	96	411

SEMI FINALS

DATE	TEAM A	ТЕАМ В	PRE	РНО	NRH	TOTAL
06-Feb-24	JOR	KOR	251	201	164	616
07-Feb-24	IRN	QAT	240	143	142	525

FINALS

DATE	TEAM A	ТЕАМ В	PRE	РНО	NRH	TOTAL
10-Feb-24	JOR	QAT	233	118	194	545

QUARTER FINALS

DATE	TEAM A	ТЕАМ В	PRE	РНО	NRH	TOTAL
02-Feb-24	TJK	JOR	149	128	107	384
02-760-24	AUS	KOR	213	167	103	483
03-Feb-24	QAT	UZB	154	140	111	405
05-1 eb-24	IRN	JPN	231	155	101	487

- Media personnel were required to apply for media tickets via the AFC Media Channel in order to obtain approval for the selected Match(es).
- Across the 51 matches from the Group Stage until the Final, the total number of media personnel that received approval is 17,077, averaging out to 335 per match.
- The Round of 16 Match between Saudi Arabia and the Korea Republic saw the most approvals with 642.
- Due to the maximum capacity of pitch-side Photography seating being 150, additional photographers were seated at the Photography seating of the Media Tribunes.



STADIUMS



Media Tribune: 412
Pitch Photo: 150
Media Centre: 352
Photo Work Area: 32



AL BAYT STADIUM

Media Tribune: 431
Pitch Photo: 150
Media Centre: 197
Photo Work Area: 35



Media Tribune: 445
Pitch Photo: 150
Media Centre: 341
Photo Work Area: 12



ABDULLAH BIN KHALIFA STADIUM

Media Tribune: 328 Pitch Photo: 150

Media Centre: 72



Media Tribune: 609
Pitch Photo: 150
Media Centre: 218
Photo Work Area: 100

EDUCATION CITY

STADIUM

Media Tribune: 433
Pitch Photo: 150
Media Centre: 295
Photo Work Area: 90



Media Tribune: 219
Pitch Photo: 150
Media Centre: 100



KHALIFA INTERNATIONAL STADIUM Media Tribune: 456 Pitch Photo: 150 Media Centre: 200 Photo Work Area: 51

LUSAIL STADIUM

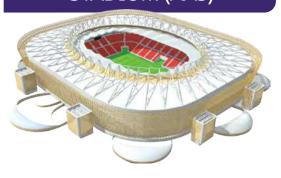
Media Tribune: 667
Pitch Photo: 150
Media Centre: 256
Photo Work Area: 109



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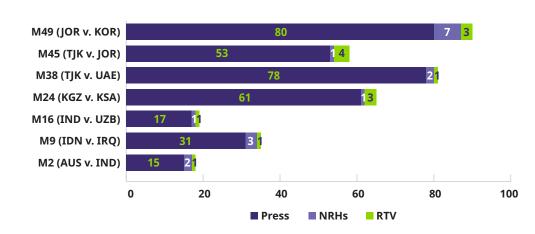


AHMAD BIN ALI STADIUM (AAS)

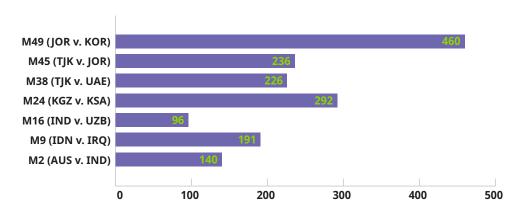


POST - MATCH P.C.S - ALL MATCHES

AAS - POST MATCH P.C.s - MEDIA ATTENDANCE

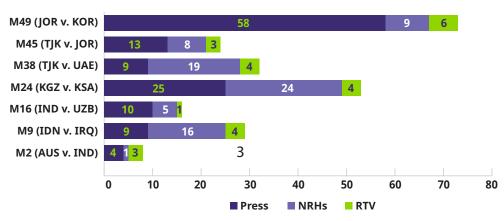


MEDIA ATTENDANCE (PSA SCANS) - AAS TOTAL (ALL MATCHES): 1641



MIXED ZONE - ALL MATCHES

AAS - MIXED ZONE - MEDIA ATTENDANCE

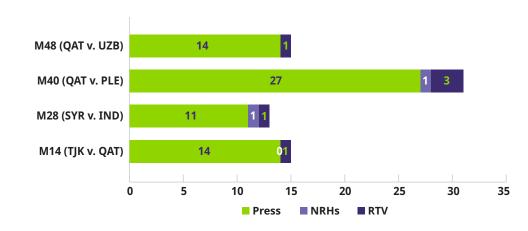




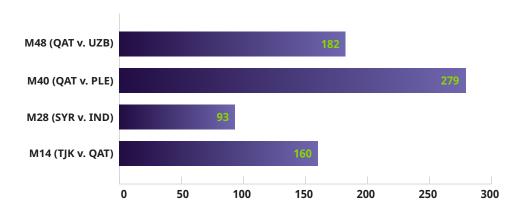
STADIUMS



ABS - POST MATCH P.C.s - MEDIA ATTENDANCE

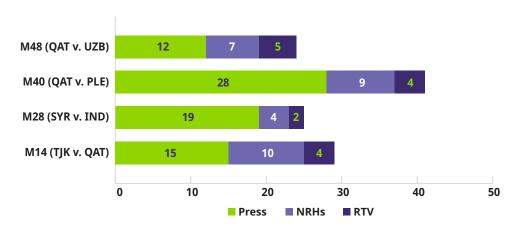


MEDIA ATTENDANCE (PSA SCANS) - ABS TOTAL ALL MATCHES: 714



MIXED ZONE - ALL MATCHES

ABS - MIXED ZONE - MEDIA ATTENDANCE

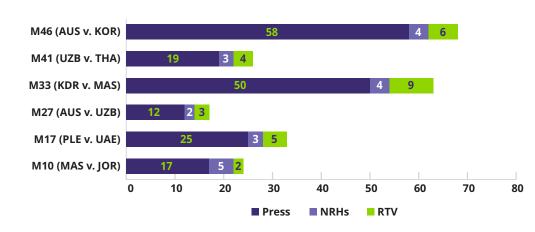


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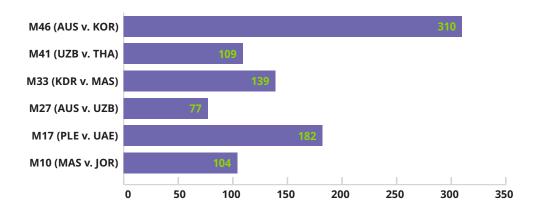


POST - MATCH P.C.S - ALL MATCHES

AJS - POST MATCH P.C.s - MEDIA ATTENDANCE

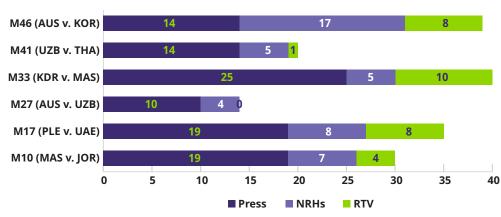


MEDIA ATTENDANCE (PSA SCANS) - AJS TOTAL ALL MATCHES: 923



MIXED ZONE - ALL MATCHES

AJS - MIXED ZONE - MEDIA ATTENDANCE

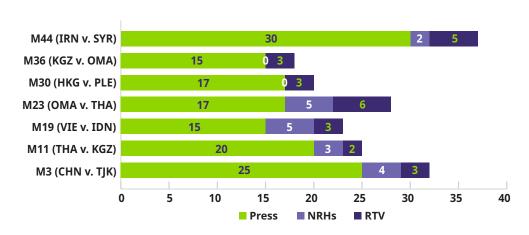


STADIUMS

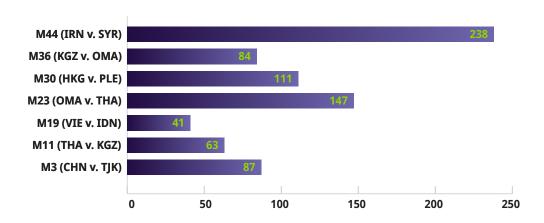


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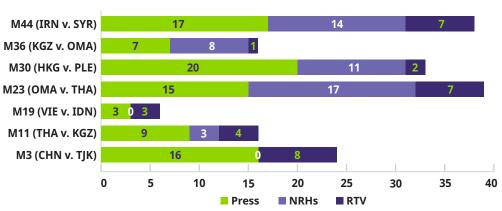


MEDIA ATTENDANCE (PSA SCANS) - AKS TOTAL ALL MATCHES: 771



MIXED ZONE - ALL MATCHES

AKS - MIXED ZONE - MEDIA ATTENDANCE

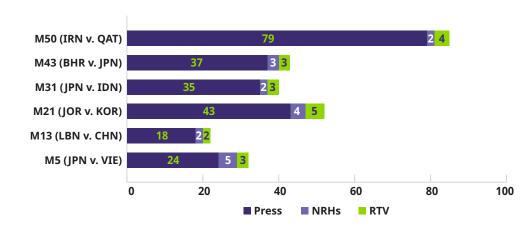


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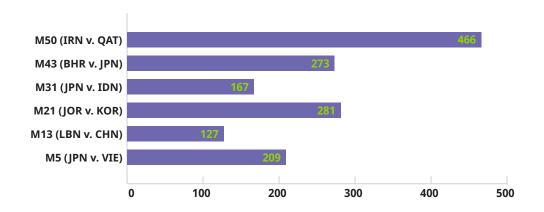


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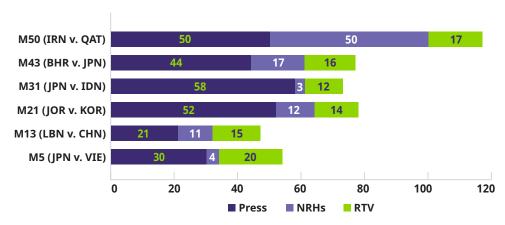


MEDIA ATTENDANCE (PSA SCANS) - ATS TOTAL ALL MATCHES



MIXED ZONE - ALL MATCHES

ATS - MIXED ZONE - MEDIA ATTENDANCE

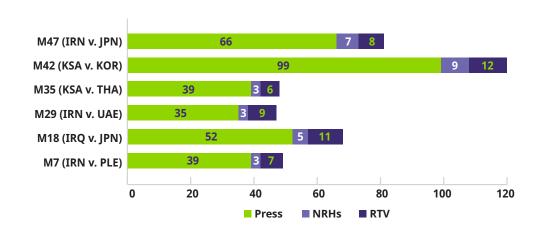


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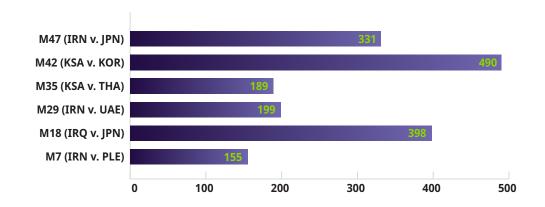


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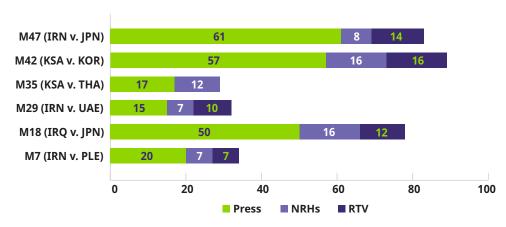


MEDIA ATTENDANCE (PSA SCANS) - ECS TOTAL ALL MATCHES: 1762



MIXED ZONE - ALL MATCHES

ECS - MIXED ZONE - MEDIA ATTENDANCE

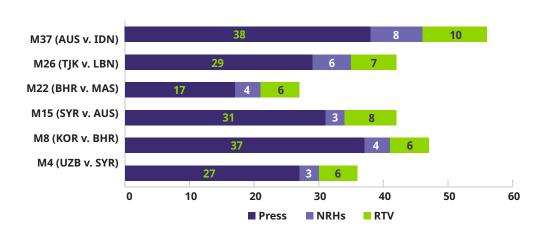


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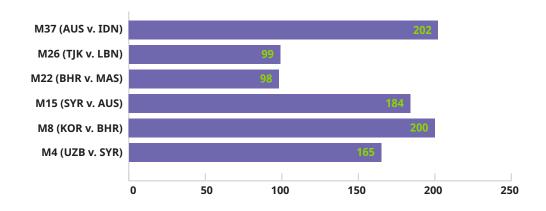


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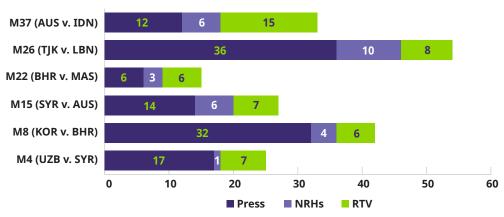


MEDIA ATTENDANCE (PSA SCANS) - JHS TOTAL ALL MATCHES: 948



MIXED ZONE - ALL MATCHES

JHS - MIXED ZONE - MEDIA ATTENDANCE

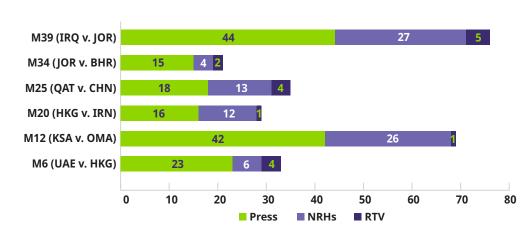


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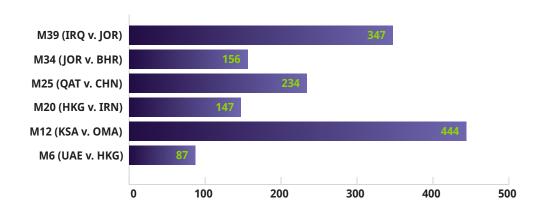


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KIS - POST MATCH P.C.s - MEDIA ATTENDANCE

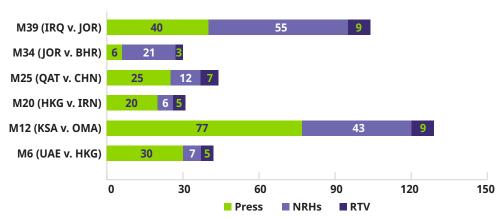


MEDIA ATTENDANCE (PSA SCANS) - KIS TOTAL ALL MATCHES: 948



MIXED ZONE - ALL MATCHES

KIS - MIXED ZONE - MEDIA ATTENDANCE



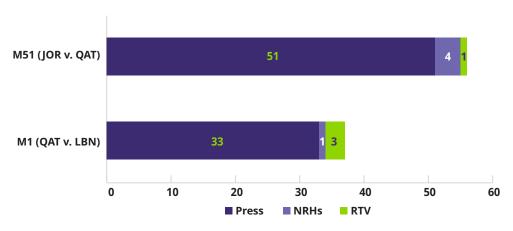


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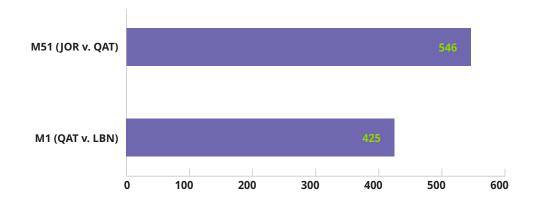


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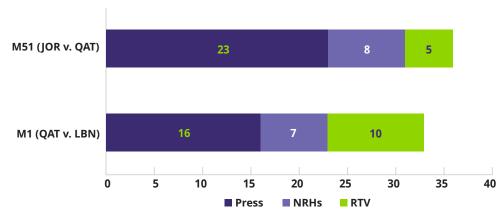


MEDIA ATTENDANCE (PSA SCANS) - LUS TOTAL ALL MATCHES: 971



MIXED ZONE - ALL MATCHES

LUS - MIXED ZONE - MEDIA ATTENDANCE





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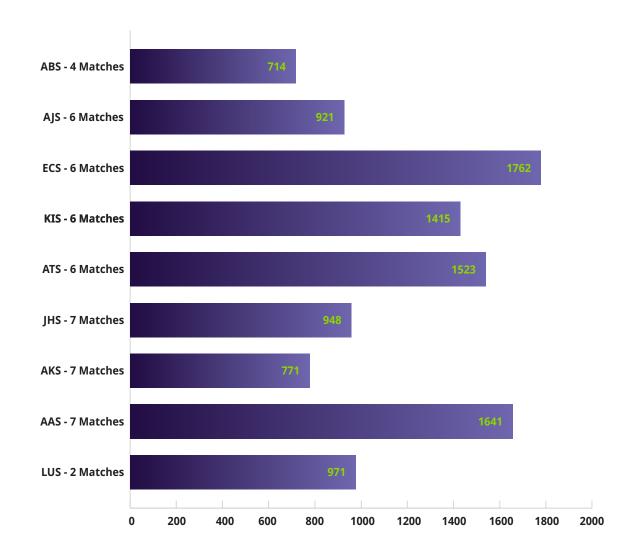


STADIUMS

APPROVED MEDIA
FOR ALL
((AFC MEDIA CHANNEL))
TOTAL: 17,077 MEDIA

ACTUAL MEDIA
ATTENDANCE
TOTAL: 10,666 MEDIA

STADIUMS - MEDIA ATTENDANCE SUMMARY





STADIUMS

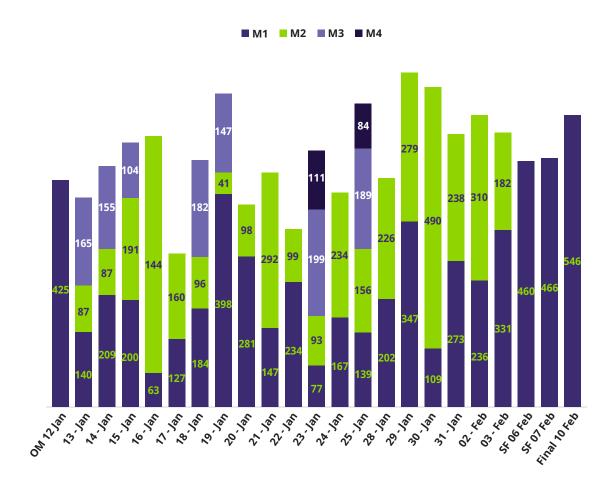


STADIUMS

HIGHEST MEDIA ATTENDANCE / PER MATCH



MEDIA ATTENDANCE / MATCHDAY





STADIUMS

MATCHDAY OPERATIONAL HOURS



KICK-OFF -4



FINAL WHISTLE +2

AREA	OPENING	CLOSING
Stadium Media Centre	KO -4hrs	FW +2hrs
Media Tribune	KO -4hrs	FW +2hrs
Pitch Photo Positions	KO -2hrs	FW +1hr
Press Conference Room	FW -30min open to media	FW +30min approx.
Mixed Zone	FW -30min open to media	FW +1hr approx.
Media Lounge	KO -3hrs	FW +1hr

TICKETING

- The AFC Media Channel served as the core platform for accredited media personnel to apply for their Match Ticket(s).
- Match Ticket applications were reviewed by the AFC Media Services Team.
- Successful applicants were able to select their seats based on their media categorisation i.e PRE, PHO or NRH. Physical tickets were used for pitch-side PHO positions, while e-tickets were utilised for the Media Tribune.

Media personnel with rejected applications or who missed the application window had the option of registering for the Waiting List at the MMC. In the event of a late cancellation or an instance where approved media personnel does not claim their ticket two hours before kick-off, the replacements will come from the Waiting List.





MAIN MEDIA CENTRE

- The venue operated as a hub for all accredited media from 5 January to 11 February.
- All Pre-Match Press Conferences were held at the venue.
- All departure of media bus shuttles were taken place from the venue.
- Camera services from Nikon, Canon and Sony were provided on-site to accredited photographers.
- Normal operation hours were from 10:00 to 23:00, with curtailed hours during the Rest Days (days without any matches).
- A total of 445 operating hours were logged.
- Accredited media personnel were required to scan QR codes in order to access the Press Conference Rooms, both at the MMC and the respective match venues.
- Pre-Match Press Conferences were held at the MMC, while the venues accommodated Post-Match Press Conferences.
- This function allowed for the attendance at every Press Conference to be tracked and any overflow to be managed accordingly.







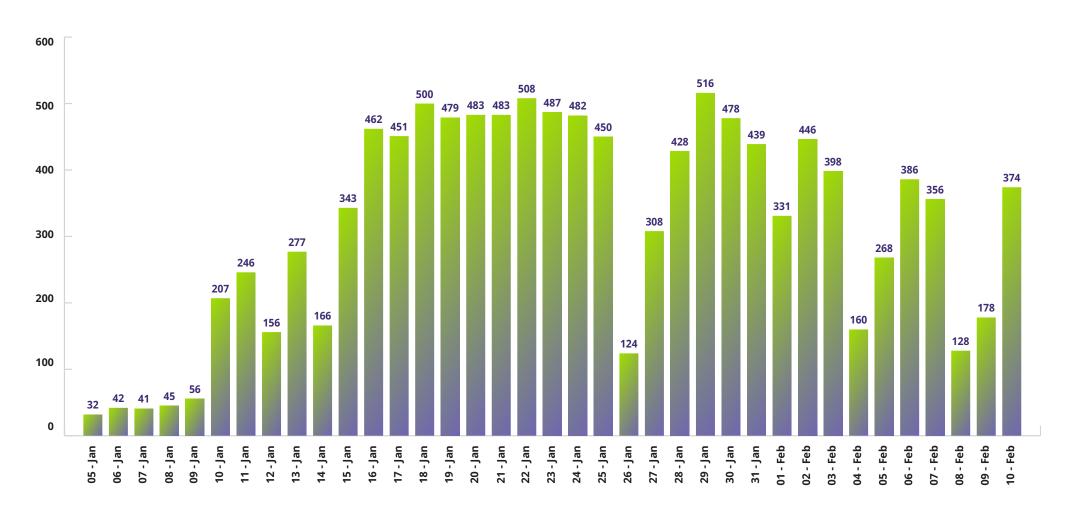
MAIN MEDIA CENTRE

SUCCESSFUL SCANS

05 JANUARY - 10 FEBRUARY

TOTAL: 11,714 MEDIA

HIGHEST MEDIA ATTENDANCE / PER MATCH



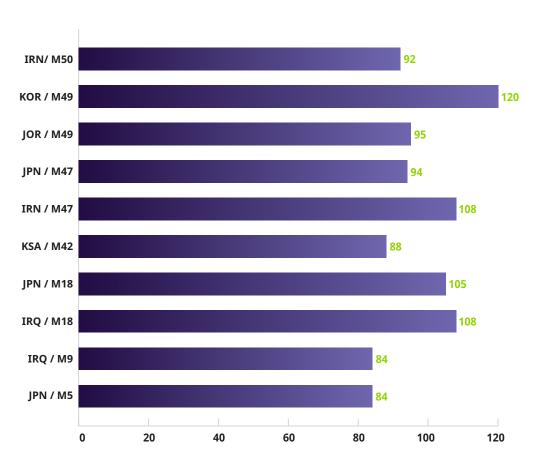


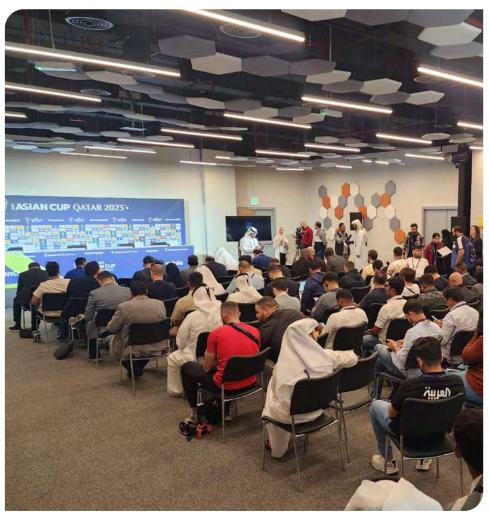


MAIN MEDIA CENTRE

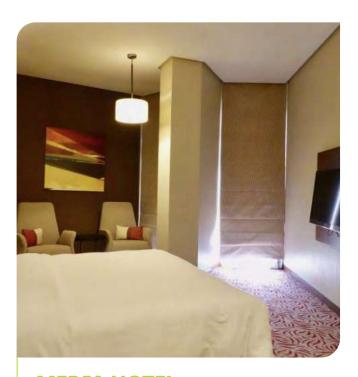
51 x MD-1 Press Conferences

MOST POPULAR MD-1 PC





OTHERS



MEDIA HOTEL

A total of four hotels, including the Four Points by Sheraton, were provided as accommodation options for accredited media personnel with discounted rates; the total number of bookings for the entire tournament amounted to around 100 single rooms.



MEDIA CATERING

- A total of 12,100 meals were provided at the MMC for the media personnel, who were able to enjoy both lunch and dinner there.
- One meal (lunch/dinner) was catered for at each venue on Matchdays (MDs) at the respective Stadium Media Centres (SMC). A total of 14,200 meals were provided across all SMCs for all 51 matches.



OFFICIAL TRAINING

- The first 15 minutes of each Participating Team's Official Training session on MD-1 was open to coverage from accredited media personnel.
- Official Training sessions took place at each Team's designated training site.
- A total of 102 Official Training sessions were put on during the tournament.

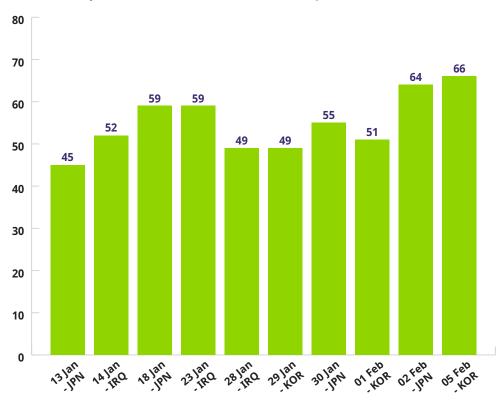


OFFICIAL TRAINING SESSIONS

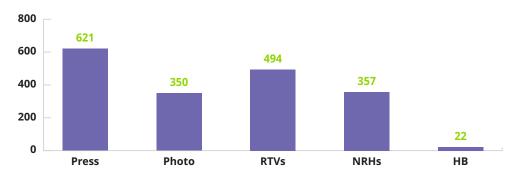
MEDIA ATTENDANCE ALL OT SESSIONS

TOTAL: 1,883 MEDIA & TV

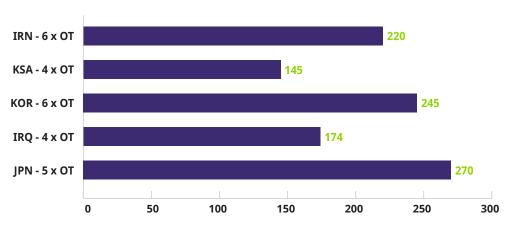
MOST POPULAR OFFICIAL TRAINING SESSIONS (INDIVIDUAL OT / MEDIA & TV)



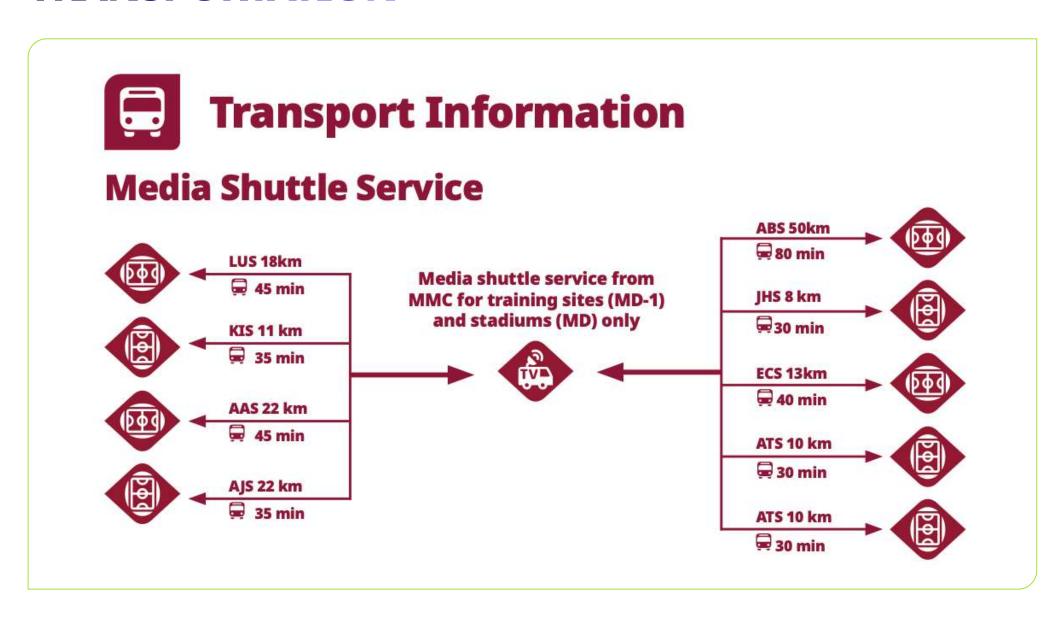
ALL OTS MEDIA ATTENDANCE / BY CATEGORY (102 X OT SESSIONS)

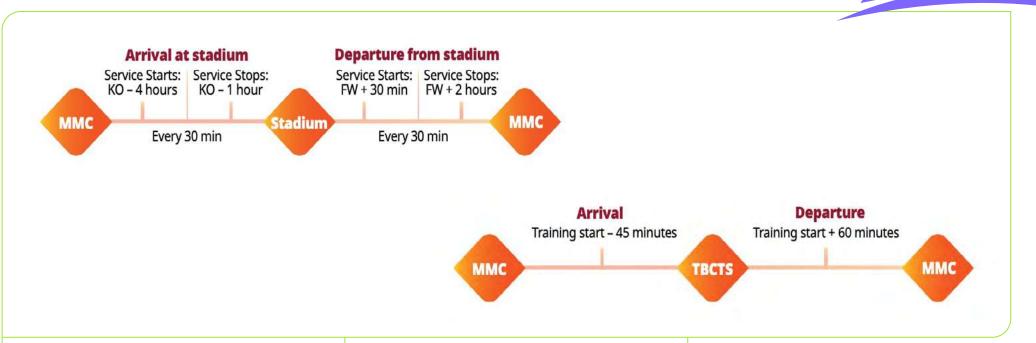


MOST POPULAR TEAMS FOR OFFICIAL TRAINING (TOTAL OT SESSIONS FOR EACH TEAM)



TRANSPORTATION





GROUP STAGE ON MD

- For every match, **seven buses** were provided for media personnel departing from the MMC to the match venue. The first bus departed four hours prior to kick-off and the last bus around two hours prior to kick-off.
- For every match, **four buses** were provided for media personnel departing from the match venue to the MMC. The first bus departed 30 minutes after the final whistle and the last bus departed two hours after the final whistle.
- A total of **396 buses were in operation** during the Group Stage on Matchdays.

KO STAGE ON MD

- The same arrangements were maintained as per the Group Stage, with the departure time of the last bus from the match venue to the MMC factoring in the instances where the match went to extra time and penalty shootouts.
- A total of 165 buses were in operation during the KO Stage on Matchdays.

OFFICIAL TRAINING (MD-1)

- One bus was provided for media personnel departing from the MMC to the training site; this was scheduled such that the arrival time was at least one hour hour prior to the start of the Official Training session.
- One bus was provided for media personnel departing from the training site to the MMC; the bus departed one hour after the end of the session.
- A total of 102 buses (round trip) were in operation across all Official Training sessions.



AFC MEDIA OFFICER (AMO)

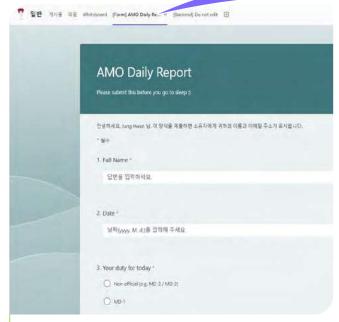


MD-1

- Conduct and moderate Pre-Match Press Conference
- Manage the media during Official Training sessions
- Follow up on Matchday media activities e.g. Player on arrival interview, dressing room filming and more
- Resident AMO to attend the Match Coordination Meeting and ensure venue readiness for "Matchday
- Submit daily reports

MATCHDAYS

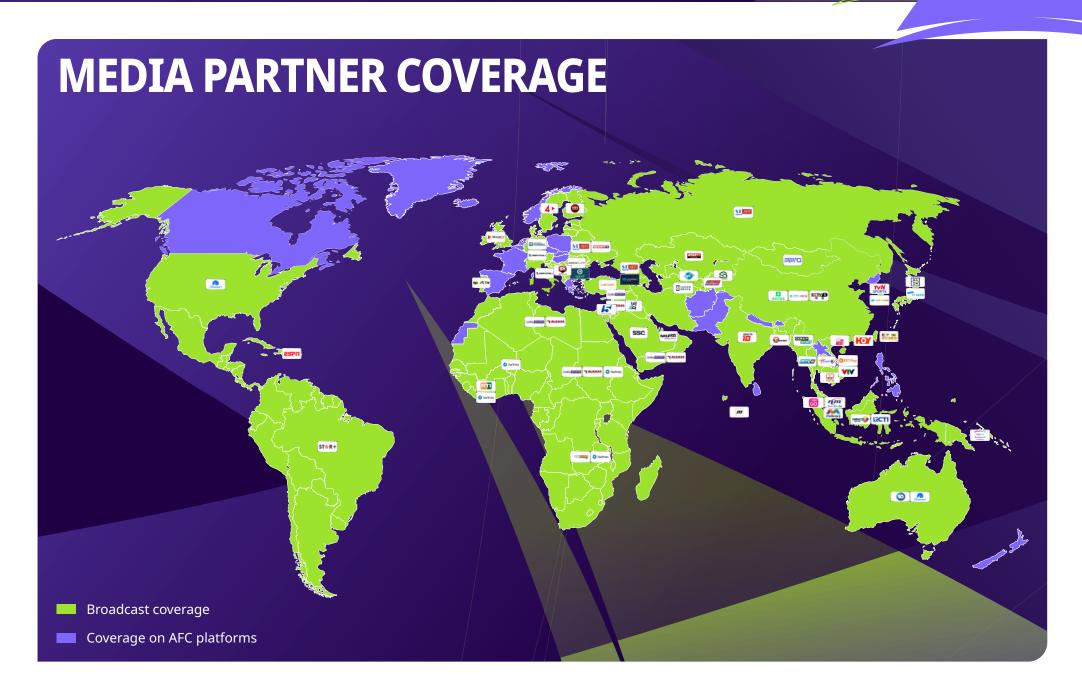
- General matchday delivery at venue
- Media Ticketing distribution
- Official media activities at the venue e.g. Post-Match PC, Mixed Zone and more
- Submit daily reports



- Daily communication: WhatsApp Group Chat
- Daily reporting: Microsoft (MS) Teams (A total of 328 Reports received from 16 AMOs during the tournament)
- Information sharing of Team's media activities:
 MS Teams (individual channels created for each of the 24 Teams)
- Official announcements to delegation made via email















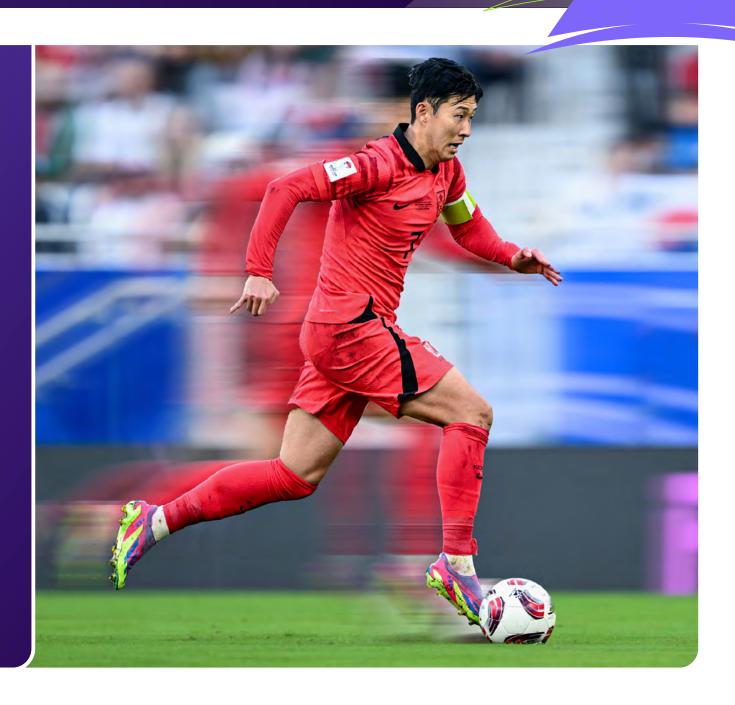
REACHING BILLIONS OF PASSIONATE FOOTBALL FANS IN ASIA AND BEYOND

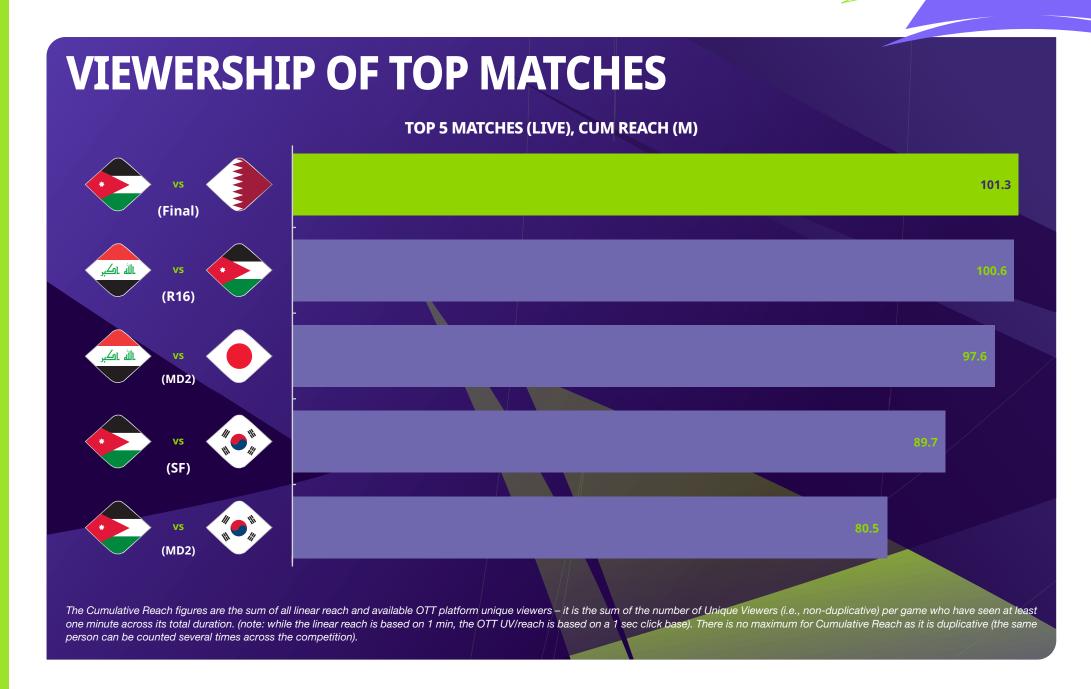
12,100 GLOBAL BROADCAST HOURS

2.18bm CUMULATIVE REACH ON LINEAR TV CHANNELS

56mm CUMULATIVE REACH ON OTT PLATFORMS

Source: CSM Media Research and AFC Media Partners















5 PARTNER

BOOTHS IN LUS AND ATS



39 OFFICIAL STORES

AND MERCHANDISE CONCESSION STANDS



BRANDED PREMIUM GIWEAW/AY

- YILI AND CONTINENTAL TIRES



CEREMONY & PRESENTATION

- YILI AND QATAR AIRWAYS



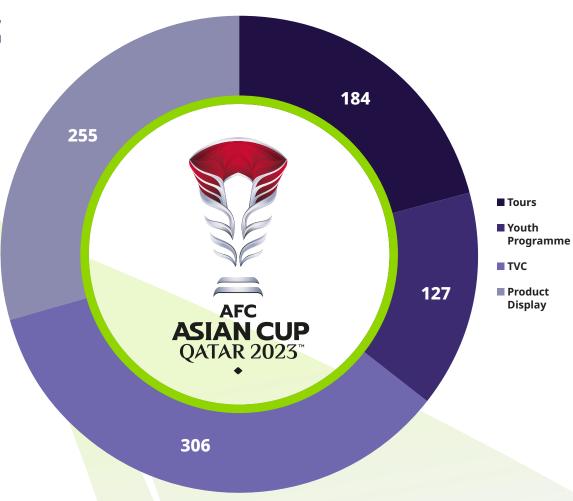
1000+

ACTIVATION PARTICIPANTS



15 VISA
COIN TOSS
ACTIVATION

PARTNER ACTIVATIONS





PARTNER BOOTH

YILI







PARTNER BOOTH

KELME



CONTINENTAL









OFFICIAL MERCHANDISE STORES

OPERATED BY THE BLUE GROUP





ACTIVATION

TOURS

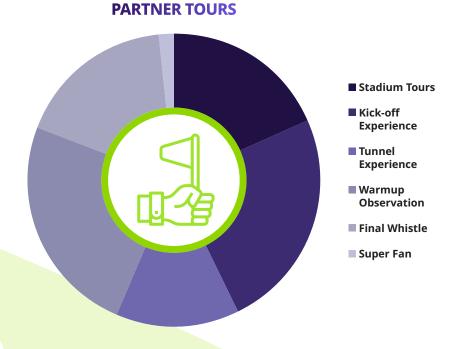


















ACTIVATION

INFOTAINMENT & TVC



Partner TVCs were played before kick-off and during halftime at every match, along with videos of the AFC Live app, AFC Fantasy Football, and the LOC.



The Visit Saudi Fan of the Match segment was conducted for all matches during half-time.



ACTIVATION

PRODUCT DISPLAY









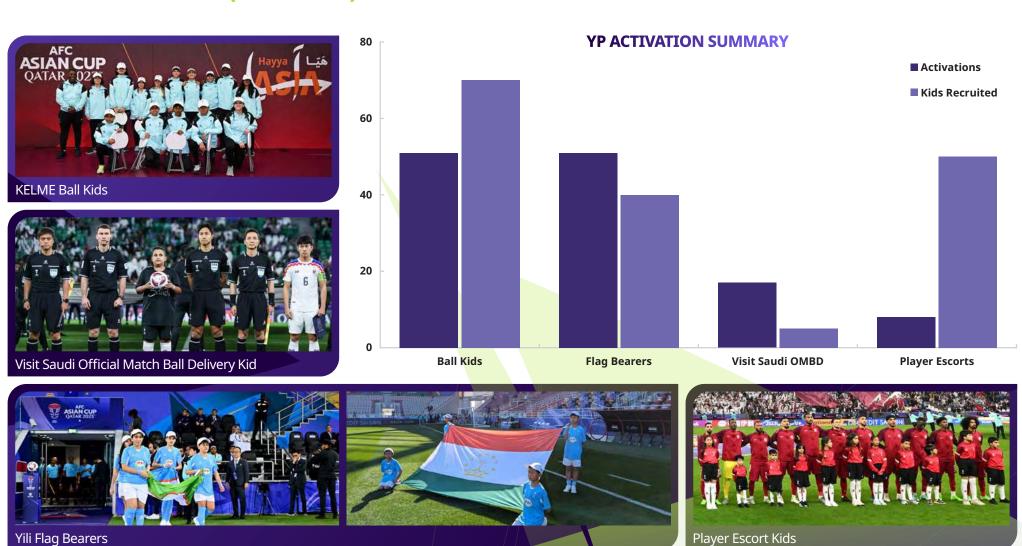


Yili Water Coolers for Teams



ACTIVATION

YOUTH PROGRAMME (UNIFORMS)





ACTIVATION

PRE-MATCH CEREMONY (UNIFORMS)





ACTIVATION

OTHERS

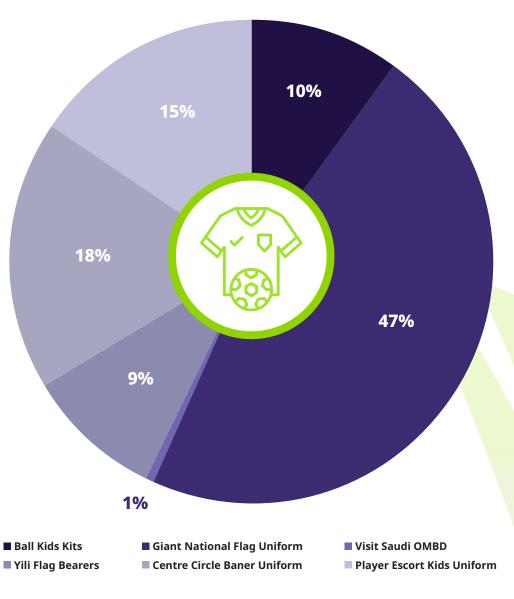








KELME VIK UNIFORMS



AC23 VIK UNIFORMS SIZING BREAKDOWN

CATEGORY	TOTAL QUANTITY UNDER VIK	XS	S	M	L	XL	2XL
Ball Kids	800	150	200	300	150	-	-
Giant Team Jersey/ National Flag	3700	-	-	800	1000	1000	900
Ball Delivery Kids	51	-	-	51	-	-	-
Flag Bearers	714	-	238	238	238	-	-
Centre Circle Bearers	1428	-	-	357	357	357	357
Player Escort Kids	1224	408	408	408	-	-	-

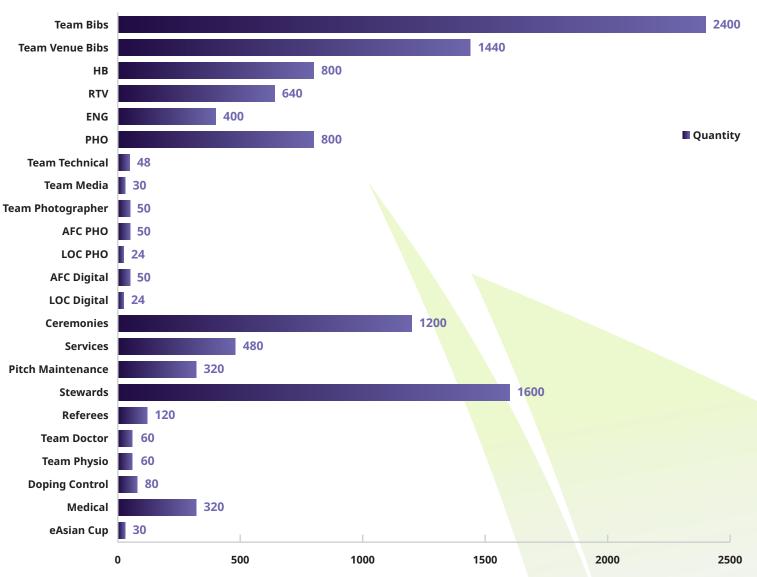
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KELME VIK UNIFORMS

AFC DELEGATION ATTIRE SIZING BREAKDOWN

CATEGORY	TOTAL	S	M	L	XL	2XL	3XL	4XL	5XL	6XL	7XL
Two-Piece (Winter) Jacket	500	58	100	120	98	53	41	30			
Walking Jacket with Hood	500	55	96	124	96	47	34	28	20		
Short Sleeve Polo Shirt (Navy)	500	58	104	122	88	47	34	27	10	5	5
Short Sleeve Polo Shirt (Black)	500	58	104	122	88	47	34	27	10	5	5
Long Sleeve Polo Shirt (Navy)	500	58	104	122	88	47	34	27	20		
Long Sleeve Polo Shirt (White)	500	58	104	122	88	47	34	27	20		
Woven (casual) Pants	1000	112	206	248	178	92	70	54	40		

BIBS QUANTITY







FAN ZONES FAN ZONES FAN ZONES

FAN ZONES



FAN ZONES FAN ZONES FAN ZONES

MASCOT ACTIVATION & FLAG DISTRIBUTION



AFG BRANDING AFG BRANDING

LED PERIMETER BOARDS

ALL 51 MATCHES WERE DELIVERED WITHOUT ANY MAJOR ISSUES

SMOOTH
INTEGRATION
OF PMC CONTENT

SUCCESSFUL DELIVERY

OF VIRTUAL ADVERTISING (VA)
ON LED AND VIRTUAL GOAL
MAT (VGM) TECHNOLOGY - A
FIRST-TIME IMPLEMENTATION
AT AN AFC ASIAN CUPTM

SUCCESSFUL IMPLEMENTATION

OF NEW PARTNERS'
ARTWORKS AS WELL AS NEW
CENTRE-BOARD ARTWORK





AFG BRANDING AFG BRANDING

MEDIA BACKDROPS

- All Media Backdrops had the same colourway to maintain consistency on broadcast
- Regional Partners had different backdrops with slightly different Sponsor Representation Panels, which were used accordingly
- Acrylic (transparent) backdrops were used for unilateral flash interviews for the first time in AFC Asian Cup™ history



BACKDROP PRODUCTION SUMMARY

PRESS CONFERENCE

11 (GLOBAL) AND 9 (REGIONAL)

MIXED ZONE

OVER 180

(ACRYLIC)

18

FLASH INTERVIEW (NORMAL)

OVER 60



AFG BRANDING AFG BRANDING AFG BRANDING

T-CARPET







AFG BRANDING AFG BRANDING AFG BRANDING

TEAMS AND OFFICAL BENCHES

TEAM BENCH
BRANDING
SUCCESSFULLY DELIVERED
BY AFG

FLAG

REPLACEMENT

PROVISIONS ON INSIDE AND

OUTSIDE OF THE BENCHES

FLAGS ON
THE OUTSIDE
OF THE BENCHES WERE FITTED

WITH VELCRO FOR EASY
REPLACEMENT

INNER-BENCH
STICKERS
ARE PLACED BEFORE THE
START OF EVERY MATCH





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OTHER AREAS















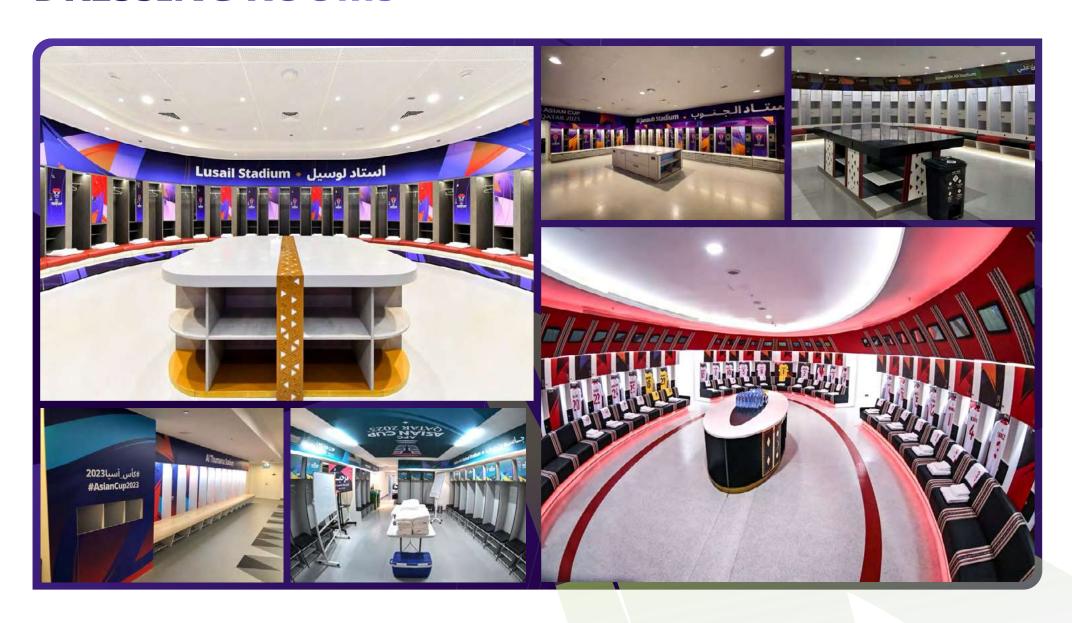
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MATCH HOSPITALITY

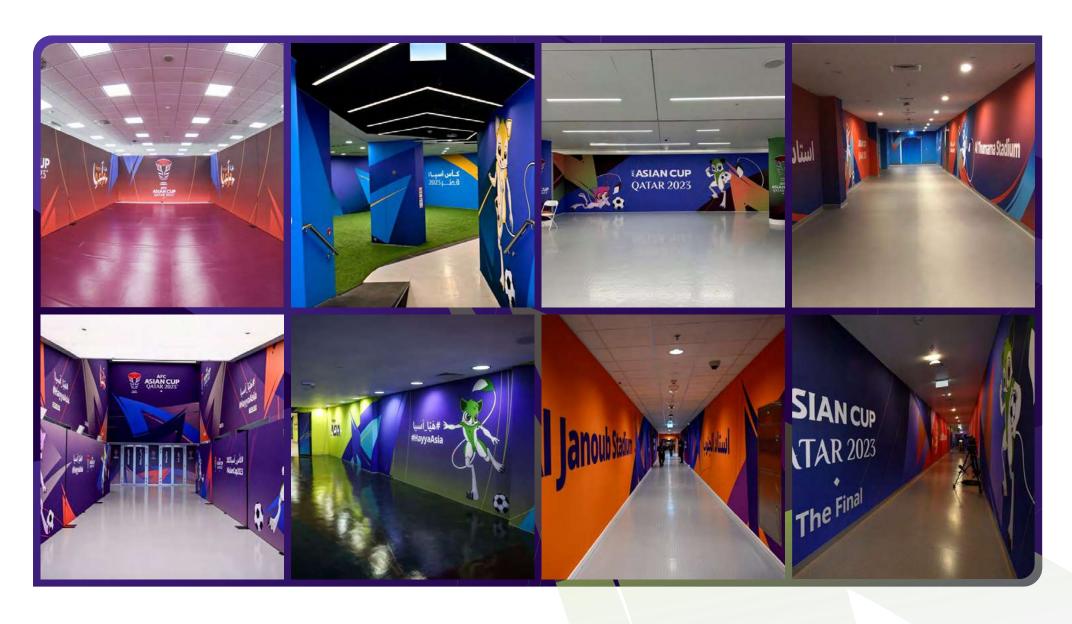




DRESSING ROOMS



COMPETITION AREAS



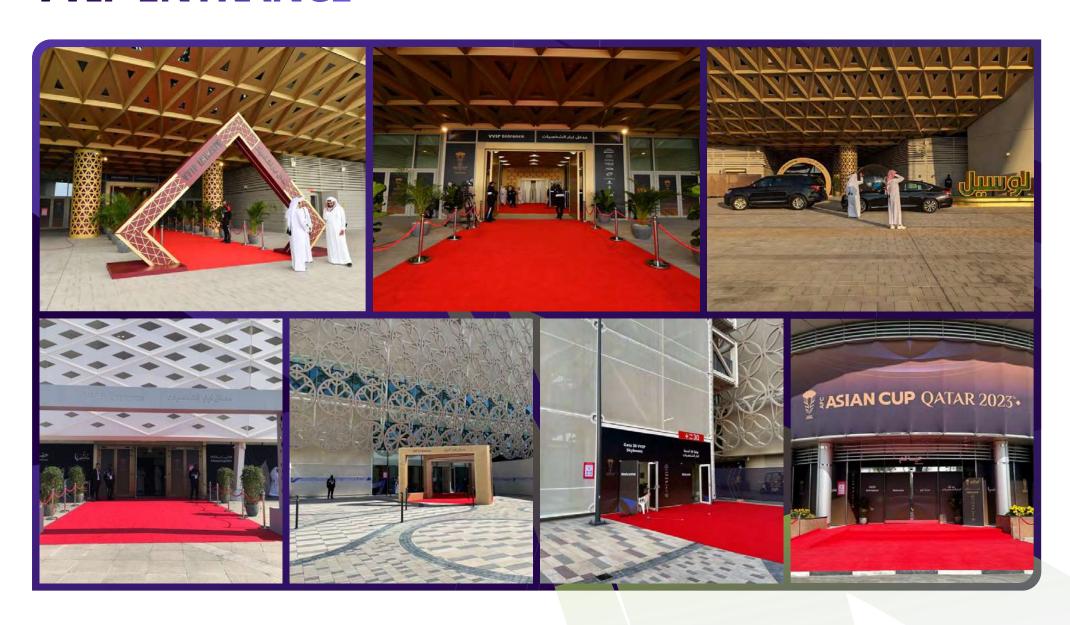


TEAM BUS

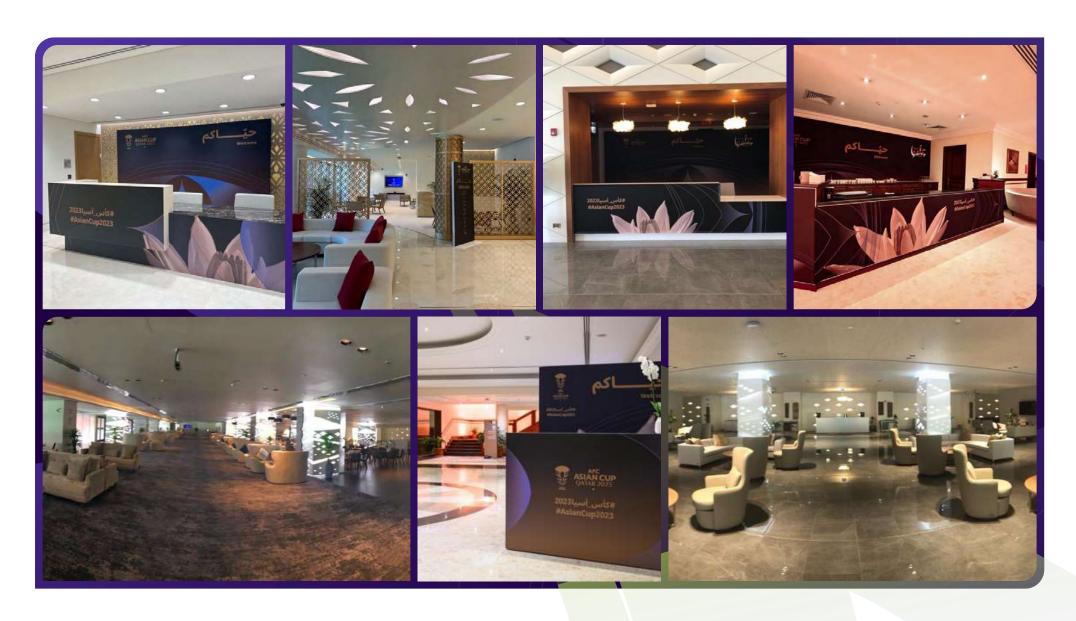




VVIP ENTRANCE



VVIP RECEPTION AND LOUNGE





VIP ENTRANCE & LOUNGE

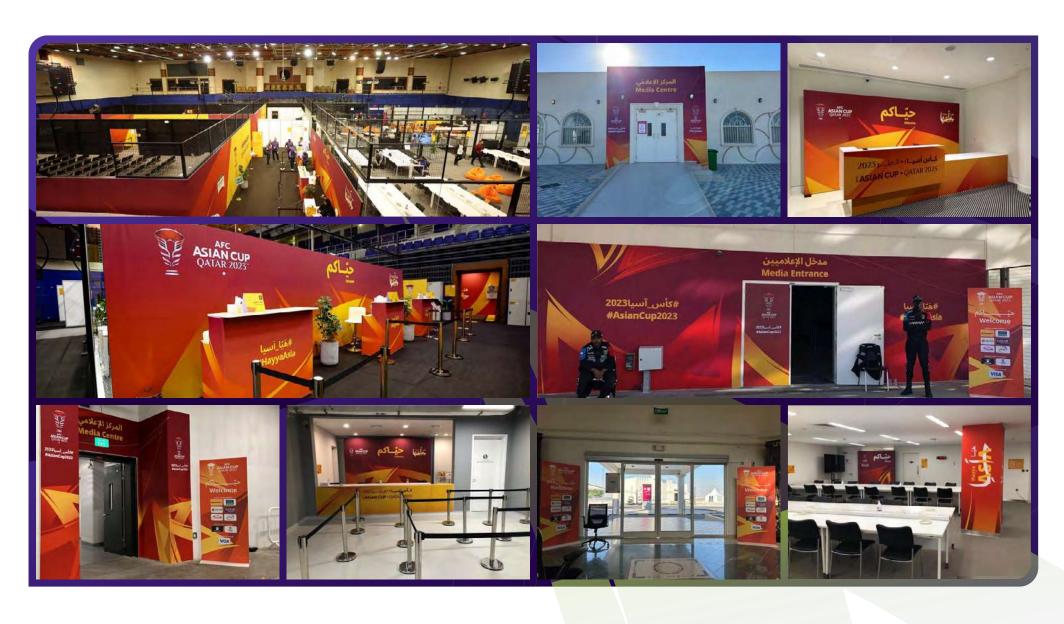


LOC BRANDING LOC BRANDING

PLAYERS DROP-OFF AREA



MEDIA CENTRE BRANDING



PSAs BRANDING





OTHER AREAS









Information Desk Branding







PRE-MATCH CEREMONY PRE-MATCH CEREMONY

WITH LOC'S ASSISTANCE, THE PRE-MATCH CEREMONY (PMC) FOR ALL

51 MATCHES WERE DELIVERED,

WITH ENHANCEMENTS
MADE AFTER EVERY STAGE
DURING THE TOURNAMENT

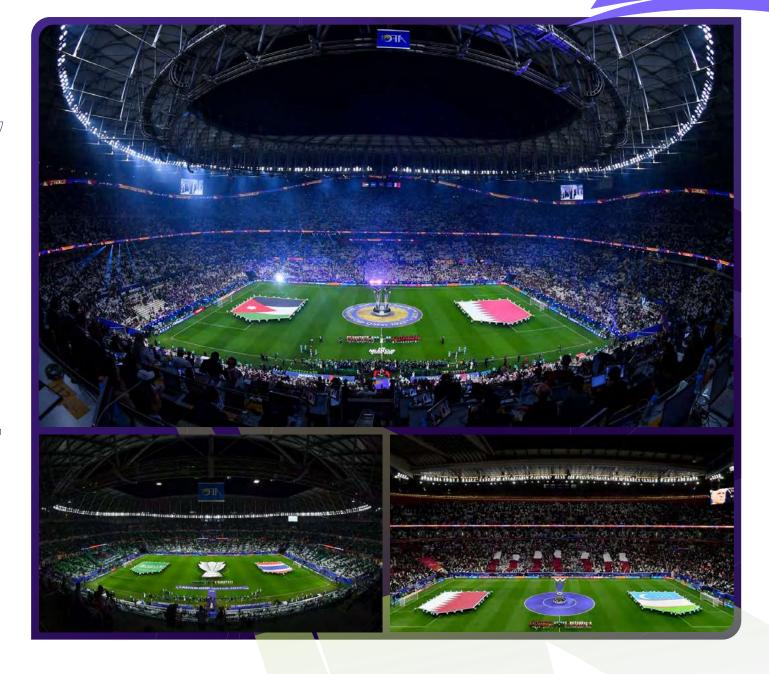
USAGE OF TIER LED AND FOP LED WITH PMC CONTENT FOR ENHANCE EFFECTS

USAGE OF LIGHTS FOR

IMPACTFUL ENTERTAINMENT

USAGE OF SPECIAL EFFECT ITEMS AT CENTRE CIRCLE BANNER

IN QUARTER-FINALS AND SEMI-FINALS





TROPHY DISPLAY TROPHY DISPLAY







QATAR AIRWAYS

8-9 Feb 2024. B12 Beach Club, Doha Trophy display at Qatar Airways Fan Zone

VISA

30 Jan 2024. Al Rajhi Bank, Al Riyadh VISA partnership announcement with a retail bank

TV ASAHI

18 Dec 2023. Hodo Station, Tokyo Introducing Trophy at TV Asahi news program



CREDIT SAISON

20 Dec 2023. Credit Saison Headquarters, Tokyo Trophy display at talk show by former Japan national team players



KDDI

18-19 Dec 2023. Ginza 456, Tokyo Trophy display at KDDI's Tokyo concept store



BLUE-ING! (JFA)

21, 23-24 Dec 2023. Tokyo Dome, Tokyo Trophy display at JFA's cultural creation centre

INTERNATIONAL ACTIVATIONS

QATAR AIRWAYS QATAR AIRWAYS FAN BEACH David Beckham at Qatar Airways Fan Beach Qatar Airways hosted viewing parties in Doha, Qatar and Guangzhou, China PR. Qatar Airways created two fan zones- Hamad International Airport and B12 Beach Club in Doha. The B12 was a central place to host events. AFC Asian Cup trophy was on display and David Beckham made an appearance.

NEOM NEOM engaged the residents in their community by setting up a fun football activity to win AFC Asian Cup goodie bags. AFC Asian Cup viewing screens were set up in **NEOM** for the community to enjoy the AC23 matches during the competition period.



Spring Valley while watching Japan matches

at the venue.









APPROACH:

LOCALISED LED MESSAGING

CAMPAIGNS IN 5

LANGUAGES

CUSTOMISED EXCLUSIVE DIGITAL ACTIVATION

"POWER GOAL"

LOCALISED CAMPAIGN

KEY VISUALS, TVC AND ACTIVATION PRESS RELEASES













CONSUMERS AND FANS WERE ALSO ENGAGED WITH VIA

ON-SITE
ACTIVATION,
TICKET
PROMOTIONS,
AND PREMIUM
GIVEAWAYS.

IN-VENUE ACTIVATIONS

TIRE CHECK
BOOTH,
BRANDED
T-SHIRT &
CHEERING
BALLOOMS







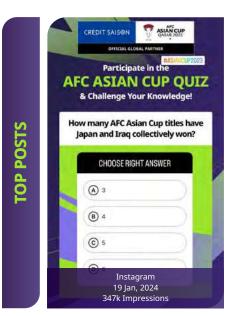


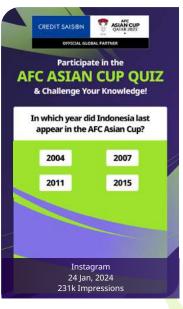


















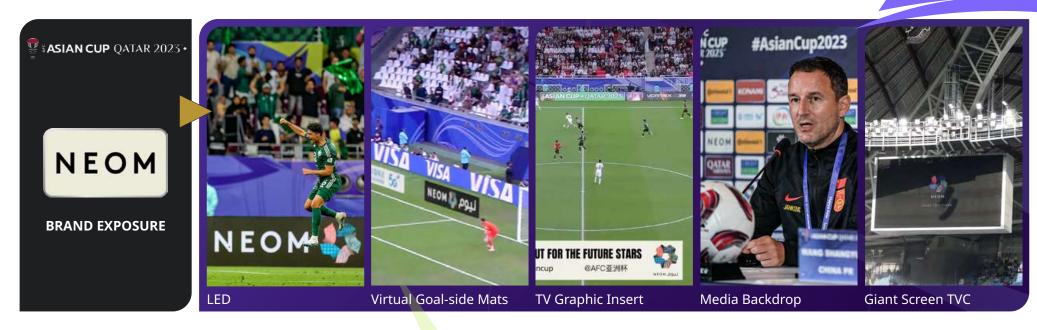
































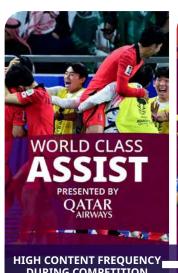


BRAND EXPOSURE

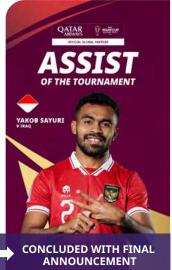
















Match footage-based video series featuring the best assist from each Matchday coupled with a compilation of the best assists from the tournament for fan voting to build partnership awareness and to engage with fans across various markets.

















SASIAN CUP QATAR 2023*

EXCLUSIVE SOCIAL CONTENT TO AMPLIFY THE PARTNERSHIP



CABIN CREW INTEGRATION























CAMPAIGN FINISHED WITH A HIGHLIGHT ON

TEAM OF THE TOURNAMENT





TEAM OF THE **MATCHDAY**

showcasing the best XI squad from each matchday presented by Visit Saudi



OFFICIAL MATCH BALL CARRIER

Matches

Activated during tournament with participants strategically selected from Visit Saudi's main travel markets.

FAN OF THE MATCH

Matches

Activated at all games during the tournament















MAXIMISE SPONSORSHIP RIGHTS USAGE

By Yili main brand & multiple sub-brands across various categories



BRANDS



CATEGORIES



KEY MARKETS



LED CAMPAIGNS



LANGUAGES













YILI (Hong Kong, China matches) YILI (all other teams)















Inikin Water (China PR)













IBERRI (Vietnam)





OPENING CEREMONY PRESENTING PARTNER













التغييم: ٩. الأهداف 2. صناعة الأهداف لا. أقل دقائق مشاركة





TOPGOALSCORERS



A series of social graphics in multiple languages across all AFC social channels featuring the official top goalscorers ranking after each Matchday and wrapped up with the video highlights of the tournament top goalscorer – Akram Afif.

This activation was further amplified via a commercial insert on screen across all 51 matches.



YILI FLAG BEARERS

Yili furthered its fan engagement in China PR through the exclusive "Flag Bearers" campaign, supporting 12-year-old kids to firm their football dream by giving them a life-time experience.



MATCHES ACTIVATED

FLAG BEARERS
RECRUITED
FROM CHINA
PR THROUGH
GRASSROOTS
PROGRAM

















LOCALISED CONTENT TO CALL FOR ACTION



KEY BATTLE SOUTBALL

Graphic content with call for action featuring the Key Battle (most critical matchup) of each matchday.















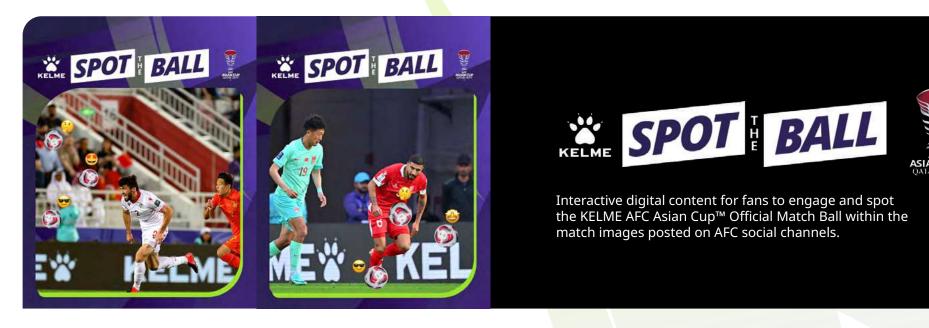




















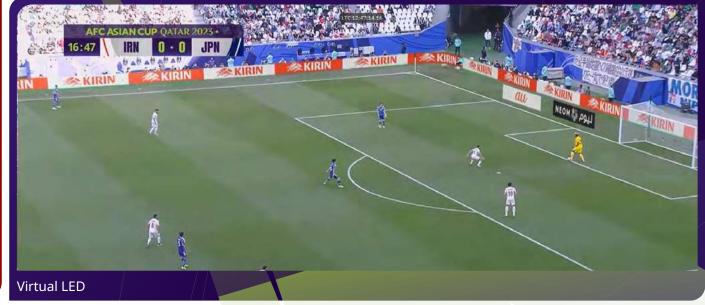






BRAND EXPOSURE













KIRIN CELEBRATION MOMENTS

A video-based series showcasing the best celebration moments of Japan, encompassing the excitement of players, coaches and passionate fans.

AFC Japanese Social Platforms: Instagram, Facebook and X.















BRAND EXPOSURE



















BRAND EXPOSURE











VISACOIN TOSS

An exclusive on-site activation that allowed VISA to engage key individuals from multiple member bank partners from key markets across the region in a "money-can't-buy experience".



VISA

WARM UP OBSERVATION

Pitchside experience that engaged **136** guests across **17** matches, this activation provided VISA the opportunity to offer an exclusive experience to a larger group of its member bank partners and sky box guests.













官方区域合作伙伴







BRAND EXPOSURE



















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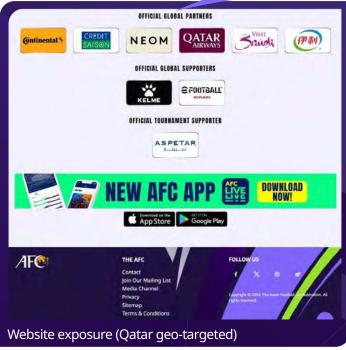






BRAND EXPOSURE







OFFICIAL STORES OPERATED BY THE BLUE GROUP

39 official stores and concession stands were set up and in operation on-site across all 51 matches in Fan Zones, VIP and Hospitality lounges of all 9 stadiums during the tournament.

















CORPORATE HOSPITALITY CORPORATE HOSPITALITY

OFFICIAL HOSPITALITY FACTS & FIGURES

TECHNICAL INSTALLATION



MATCH Hospitality Asia, the Exclusive Official Hospitality Provider for the AFC Asian Cup Qatar 2023™.



MATCHES WITH HOSPITALITY



HOSPITALITY





15,800 PIECES OF FURNITURE



ELEMENTS OF GRAPHICS & DECOR













CORPORATE HOSPITALITY CORPORATE HOSPITALITY

SKILLED WORKFORCE



585

TECHNICAL & INSTALLATION STAFF





112

ENTERTAINERS & PERFORMERS



1,030

CHEFS & KITCHEN STAFF

QUALITY ASSURANCE KPI CHECKLISTS



2₀300 WAITERS &



316 ENTERTAINMENT ACTIVATIONS











FOOD & BEVERAGE



47/ TONNE

TONNES
OF FOOD



68,000

SUSHI SERVED



143₀000 **BEVERAGES**

BEVERAGES SERVED



65,900

DESSERTS ERVED

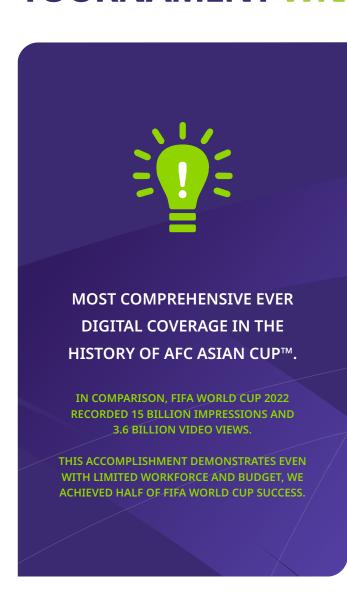








TOURNAMENT WRAP













BREAKDOWN: BY STAGE

STAGE	IMPRESSIONS	ENGAGEMENTS	VIDEO VIEWS
BUILD-UP	317,525,020	14,114,766	8,157,2670
GROUP STAGE	1,789,408,470	511,22,898	370,587,112
ROUND OF 16	712,947,102	12,130,843	95,218,616
QUARTER-FINALS	524,727,914	17,646,631	175,237,797





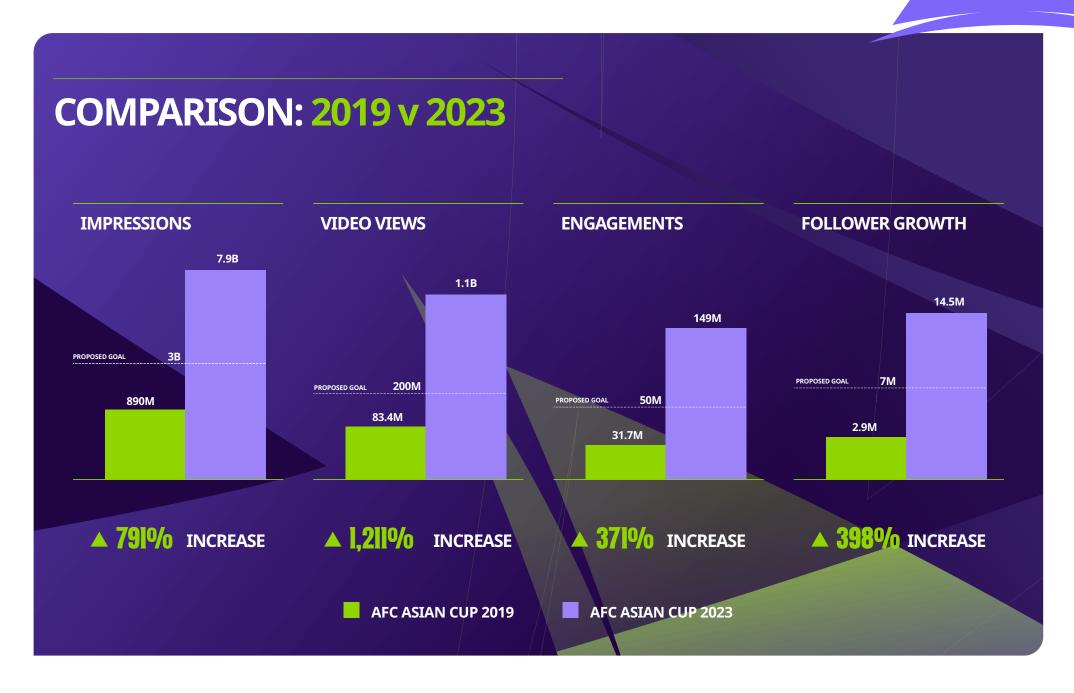




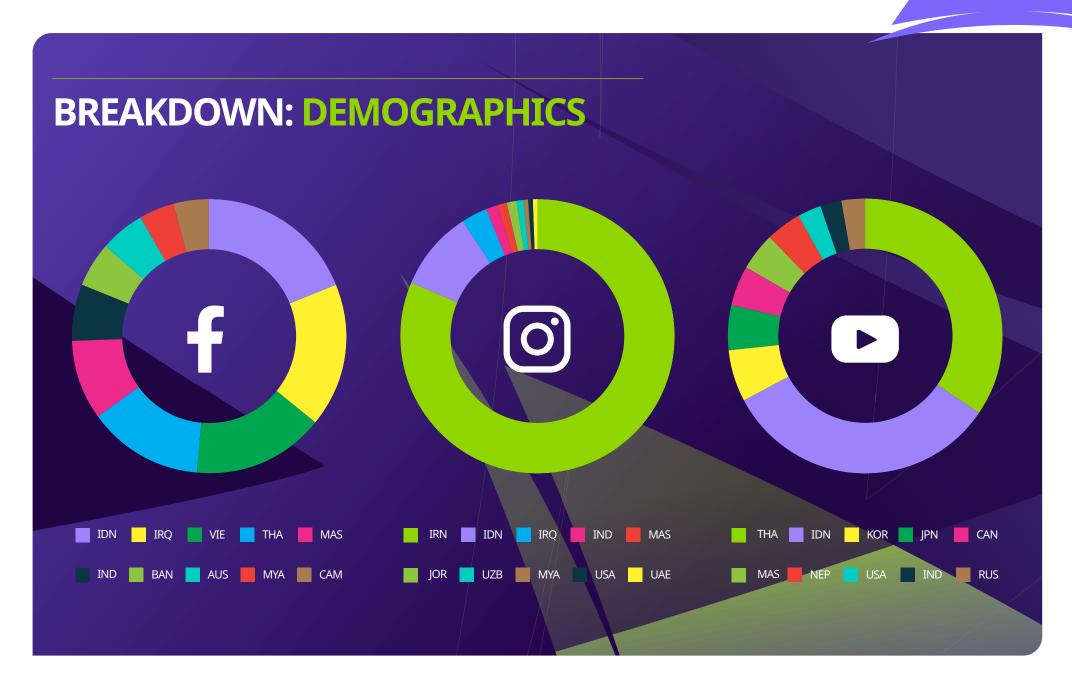
BREAKDOWN: FOLLOWER GROWTH

PLATFORM	2019	2023	% INCREASE
FACEBOOK	753,107	2,186,107	↑ 190% INCREASE
X (EN, JP, AR)	201,477	499,644	↑ 148% INCREASE
INSTAGRAM	204,427	1,195,957	↑ 485% INCREASE
INSTAGRAM FARSI	54,750	4,055,840	↑ 7,307% INCREASE
YOUTUBE	190,007	1,483,541	↑ 681% INCREASE
ТІКТОК	N/A	544,888	-
WEIBO	1,477,326	4,198,484	↑ 184% INCREASE
DOUYIN	N/A	204,472	-
DONQIUDI	43,285	144,110	↑ 233% INCREASE
TOUTIAO	N/A	36,926	

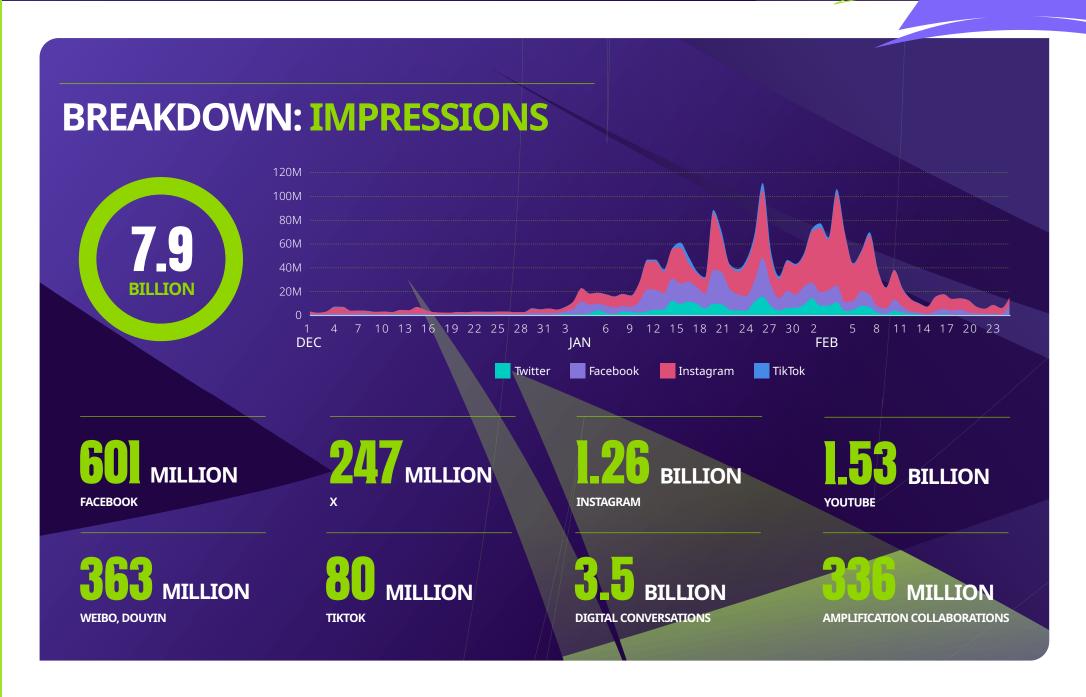








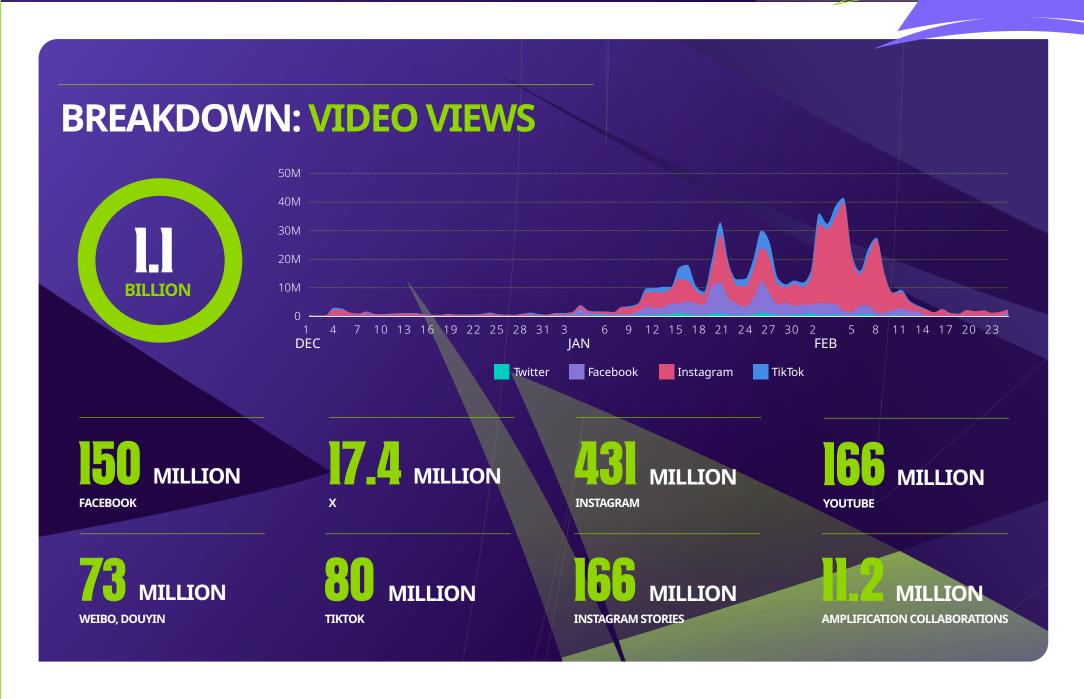


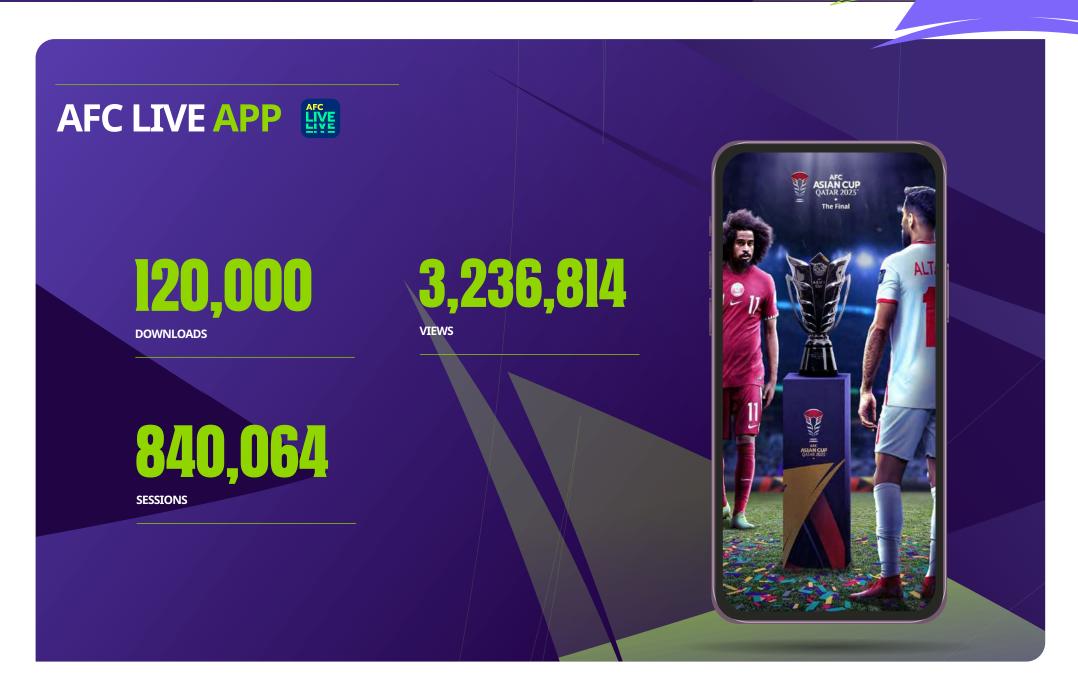






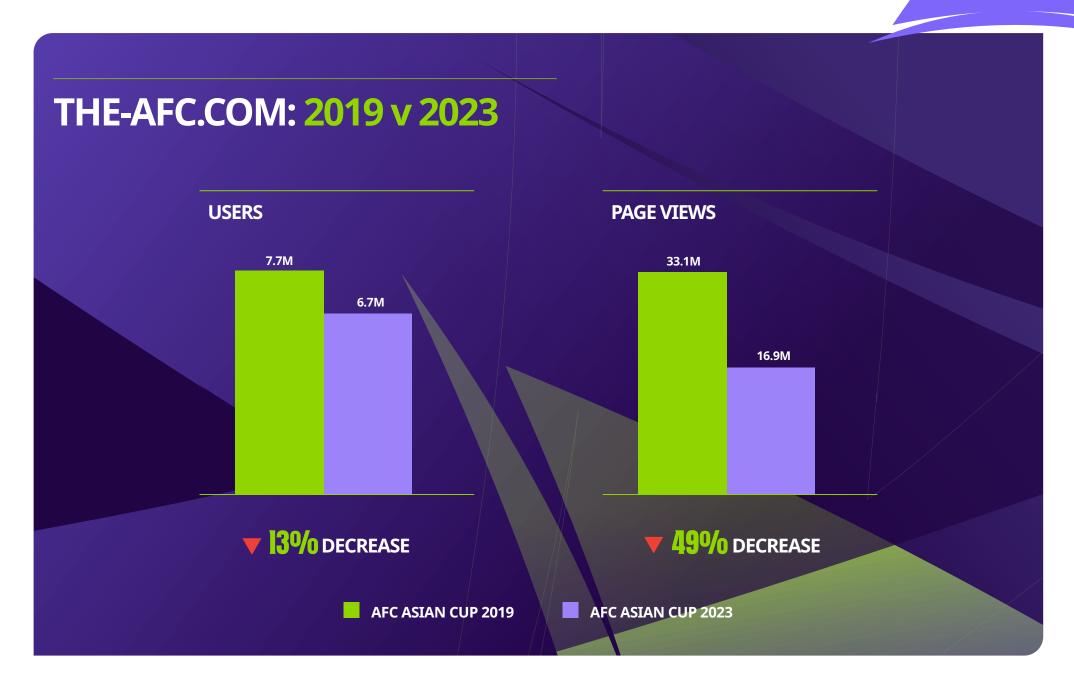








AFC WEBSITE AFC WEBSITE AFC WEBSITE



MEDIA MEDIA MEDIA MEDIA MEDIA



318,000

EDITORIAL MENTIONS

6 TRILLION **POTENTIAL REACH**

318.8 MILLION

ESTIMATED VIEWS

ADVERTISING VALUE EQUIVALENCY (AVE)

SOURCE: MELTWATER

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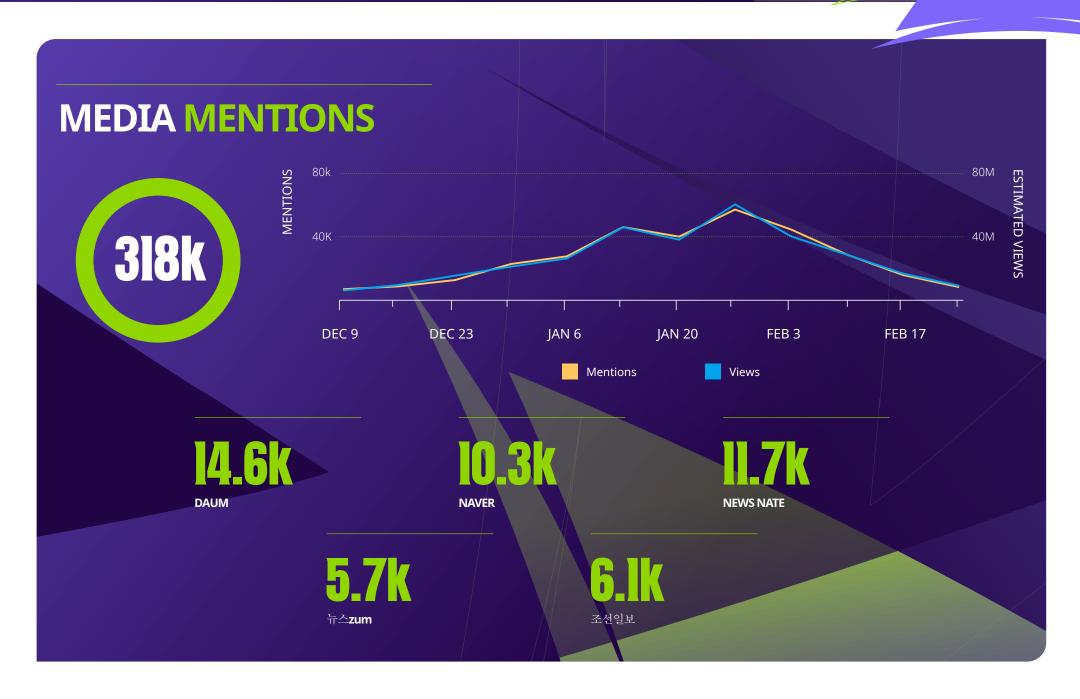




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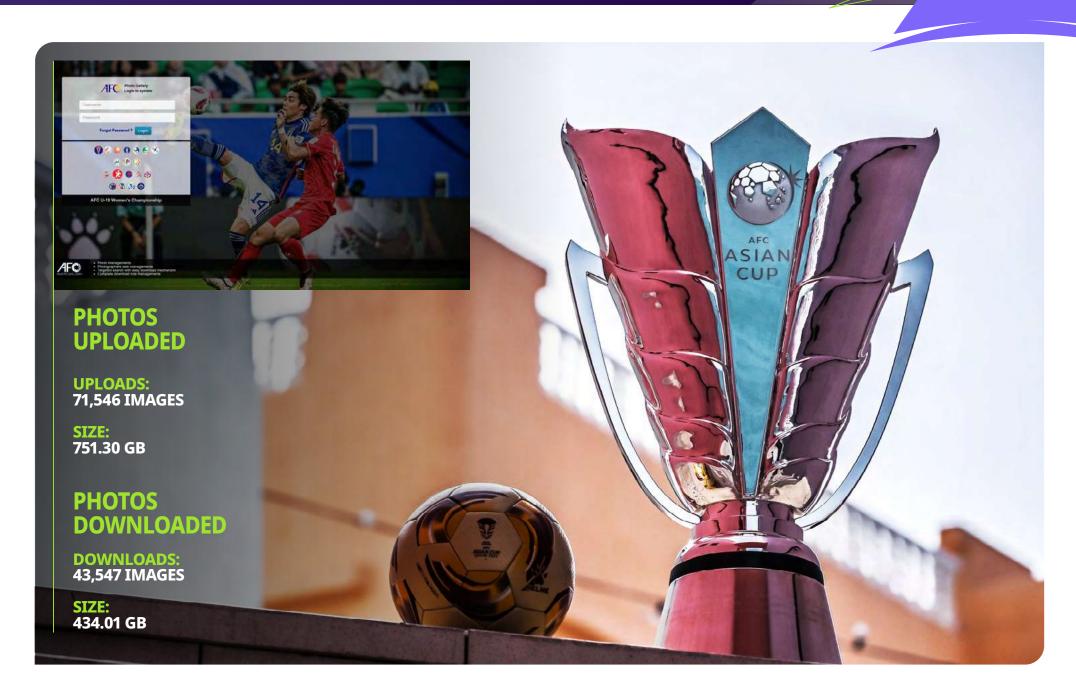




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The AFC gallery was extensively utilised by Participating Teams, AFC staff, Global Media Outlets, Media & Commercial Partners and FIFA for comprehensive match coverage, leveraging the intellectual property (IP) generated through the AFC gallery.

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172.71.198.192		India - (FSDLAFC)	172.68.118.28	Japan - Credit Saison
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INTRODUCTION INTRODUCTION INTRODUCTION

The AFC Event Services Department oversaw and managed the overall delivery of the hospitality services and ensured the wellbeing and comfort of all the Invited Guests, AFC Delegation and Match Officials throughout the competition, starting from their arrival and airport reception in Doha.

Airport transfers were facilitated, accommodation readiness ensured and transportation needs met during their stay. Together with protocol management at the Stadiums on Matchdays, all efforts were made to deliver the highest hospitality standards.

The AFC Asian Cup Qatar 2023™ was the second edition to feature 24 teams and marked the introduction of financial subsidies for the Participating Teams, which allowed them to select and book their preferred accommodation from a pool of listed hotels in collaboration with the LOC.

A total of nine stadiums were utilised during this edition in Doha and all the stadiums were located within close proximity to the hotels.



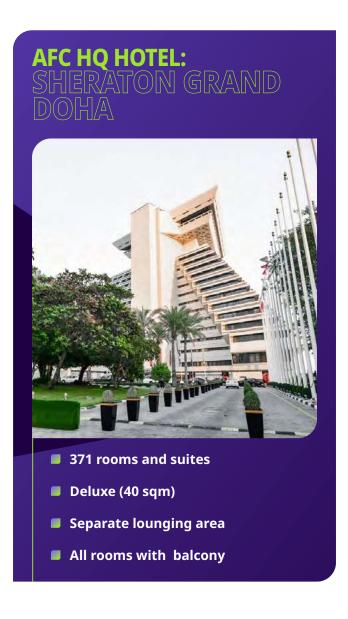


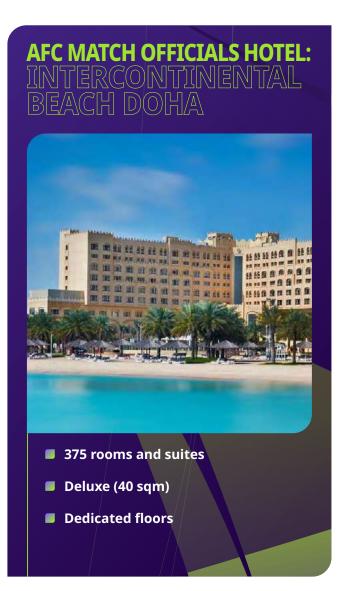


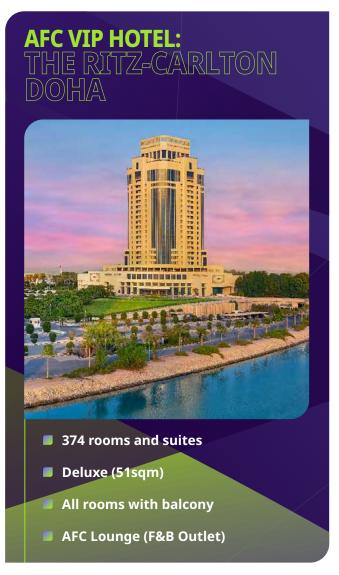




AFC OFFICIAL HOTEL







AFC HQ HOTEL

The Sheraton Grand Doha was used as the Headquarters (HQ) Hotel for this edition and housed the AFC Delegation, AFC Asian Cup™ Observers and UEFA Technical Team.

A total of 7,000 room nights was recorded, with 221 rooms on the peak night.

No function spaces within the hotel were used as offices and meeting rooms as the LOC secured the Doha Exhibition Centre (DEC) to serve as the working centre for both the AFC and LOC.

The HQ Hotel was strategically located between all the key areas, including the airport (30 minutes away) and the nine stadiums (15 to 40 minutes).

Shuttles to the DEC (20 minutes) and MMC (20 minutes) were scheduled to facilitate the delegation's daily commutes.





AFC MATCH OFFICIALS HOTEL

The InterContinental Beach Doha had a total of 100 rooms housing both the AFC Match Officials (MO) and Guests, with 3,214 room nights recorded.

The MO Hotel was located only 15 minutes away from the Qatar Sports Club, which was the dedicated MO training field, and between 20 to 40 minutes away from all nine stadiums.

A total of one Referee's Meeting Room, four Offices, one AFC Referee Lounge were available, while three converted rooms were used as the referee's massage rooms and medical room.



NO.	OFFICE	SIZE (APPROX.)	FUNCTION ROOM	DURATION
1	Storage & Equipment Distribution Room	241 m²	Al Wajba 1	3 to 6 Jan 2024
2	AFC Referees Meeting Room & Quiet Zone	482 m²	Al Wajba 2 & 3	3 Jan to 10 Feb 2024
3	AFC Referee's Lounge	Existing	Foyer Al Diwan 2&3	3 Jan to 10 Feb 2024
4	AFC Referees Department Secretariat	96 m²	Al Diwan 2	3 Jan to 11 Feb 2024
5	AFC Meeting Room 1	64 m²	Al Dana 1	3 Jan to 10 Feb 2024
6	AFC Meeting Room 2	96 m²	Al Diwan 1	3 to 31 Jan 2024
7	Remote Monitoring centre	64 m²	Al Dana 2	12 Jan to 10 Feb 2024
8	Medical Treatment Room (converted bedrooms)	2 x connecting rooms	*Converting a set of connecting rooms	4 Jan to 4 Feb 2024
9	AFC Medical Clinic (converted bedrooms)	2 x connecting rooms	*Converting a room & connecting to doctor's room	4 Jan to 10 Feb 2024

AFC VIP HOTEL

The Ritz-Carlton Doha recorded a total of 1,450 room nights, with peak nights experienced during the opening match and from the Quarter-finals up to the Final.

The VIP Hotel was strategically located - a 15 to 30-minute drive from all key areas such as the airport and stadiums.



The guest list comprises the following:

- FIFA and Confederation Presidents & General Secretaries
- AFC Vice Presidents, FIFA Council Members, AFC ExCo Members
- AFC General Secretary & Deputy General Secretary (MA Division)
- AFC MA and RA Presidents & General Secretaries
- Chairpersons of the AFC Standing Committees
- AFC Invited Guests
- AFC Invited Media



The AFC Lounge was set up for all invited guests to indulge in light snacks and exquisite mixology, either indoors or at the terrace, where they were able to enjoy the sunset as well as catch "live" matches on the giant screen and TV monitors.

The VVIP Invitation Cards and VIP Tickets were also distributed at the AFC Lounge in the morning of the Matchdays.

NO.	OFFICE	SIZE (APPROX.)	FUNCTION ROOM	DURATION
1	AFC General Secretary's Office	66 m²	Al Bateel 1 & 2	6 Jan to 11 Feb 2024
2	AFC President's Majlis	*Converted Suite	1 x Amari Suite	6 Jan to 11 Feb 2024
3	AFC Secretariat + Storage	*Converted rooms	2 x Connecting rooms	4 Jan to 11 Feb 2024
4	AFC Medical Clinic	*Converted rooms	2 x Connecting rooms	9 Jan to 11 Feb 2024
5	AFC Lounge	*Existing Outlet	Habanos	10 Jan to 11 Feb 2024
6	OCAC Meeting	278 m²	Al Mukhtasar 2	11 Jan 2024
7	Signing Ceremony between AFC & Sportradar AG	66 m²	Al Sabia	11 Jan 2024



TRANSPORTATION MANAGEMENT

The AFC's requirements on transportation for stakeholders involved in the AFC Asian Cup Qatar 2023™ were shared in the Transportation Policy, which served as a guide for the Local Organising Committee (LOC) with regard to basic requirements, rules and parameters for the provision of transportation matters relating to the Competition.

The key considerations of the transportation plan were as follow:

- Reporting structure between AFC/LOC and the appointed Transport Service Provider
- Airport transfers (e.g. pick up and drop off points, installation of welcome desk/information point, police escort to/from the airport)
- Meet and greet services of the designated Transport Service Provider at the airport
- Dedicated and pool vehicle management for AFC Committee Members, Member Associations, AFC Delegation, AFC Match Officials, AFC Invited Guests (VVIP and VIP) and members of the Participating Teams
- Media shuttle services
- AFC Delegation Shuttle movements

The overall commitment to ensuring the highest standards and tireless efforts in meeting the expectations of the stakeholders, as well as the significant and undivided efforts that were rendered across the city throughout the competition were highly commendable.







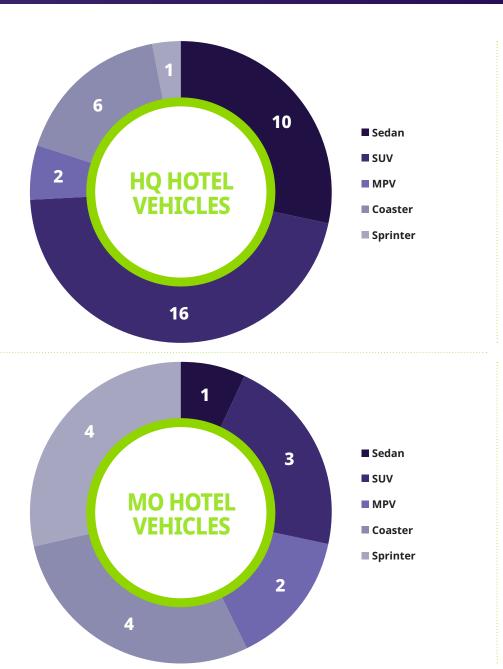


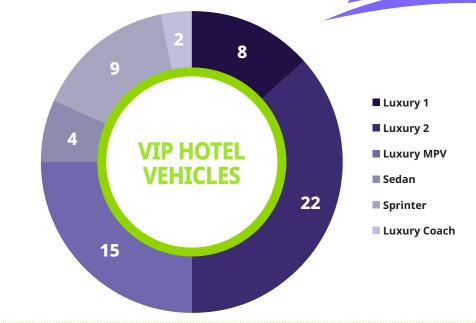


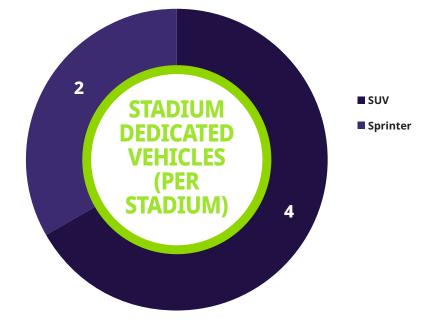




TRANSPORTATION MANAGEMENT









PARTICIPATING TEAMS MANAGEMENT

ACCOMMODATION

The provision of an Accommodation Subsidy to the Participating Teams (PTs) was a new initiative for this edition. A total of 32 hotels listed below were approved by both the AFC and LOC for the PTs to inspect, select and contract directly with their preferred choice regarding their requirements:

- Al Messila Luxury Collection Resort & Spa
- Grand Hyatt Doha Hotel & Villas
- Shaza Doha Hotel
- Al Rayyan Curio Hotel Collection by Hilton
- Holiday Villa Hotel & Residence Doha
- La Cigale Hotel
- Banyan Tree Doha at La Cigale Mushaireb
- Hyatt Regency Oryx Doha
- The St. Regis Doha
- Century Hotel Doha Lusail
- Intercontinental Doha The City
- The Westin Doha Hotel & Spa
- City Centre Rotana
- JW Marriott Marquis City Center Doha
- Voco Doha
- Crowne Plaza The Business Park

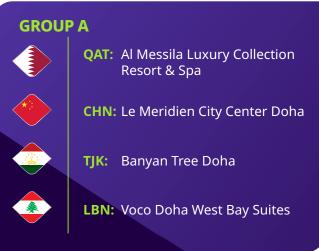
- Steigenberger Doha Hotel & Residence
- W Doha Hotel & Residence
- Crowne Plaza Doha West Bay
- Le Meridien City Center Doha
- Wyndham Doha West Bay
- Delta Hotels City Center Doha
- Marsa Malaz Kempinski
- Millennium Doha
- Dusit Doha Hotel
- Dusit D2 Salwa Doha
- Mondrian Doha
- Embassy Suites Hotel by Hilton
- Pullman Doha West Bay
- Ezdan Palace Hotel
- Radisson Blu Hotel Doha
- Wyndham Grand Doha West Bay Beach

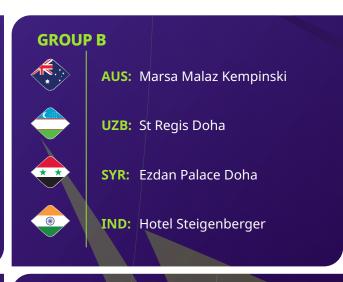


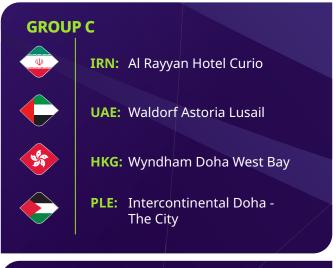
PARTICIPATING TEAMS MANAGEMENT

On deadline day, a total of 21 hotels were selected by the PTs and declared as the Official Team Hotels for the AFC Asian Cup Qatar 2023™, with three of the hotels selected accommodating two PTs based on mutual agreements.

OFFICIAL TEAM HOTELS













PARTICIPATING TEAMS MANAGEMENT

TRANSPORTATION

PTs were accorded the following transportation options from their respective Official Arrival Dates, with 12 hours of daily usage for the duration of their stay:

- One dedicated minimum 50-seater Bus
- Two dedicated Multi-Purpose Vehicles (7-seater and 9-seater)
- One 5-ton truck for airport transfers and 3-ton truck for Matchdays

Rate cards were shared with the PTs in the event they required any additional vehicles during the Competition at their own cost.







STADIUM PROTOCOL MANAGEMENT

VVIP/ VIP HOSPITALITY AND STADIUM PROTOCOL

Protocol plays a key role in the AFC's corporate image and identity; therefore, it was one of the most important factors for the success of the AFC Asian Cup Qatar 2023™.

The AFC, in close collaboration with the Host Country, Qatar, took into consideration the requirements of all attendees (royalty, governmental, and/or organisational) when establishing the joint protocol rankings. As a result, the protocol aspects at all nine stadiums were well organised.

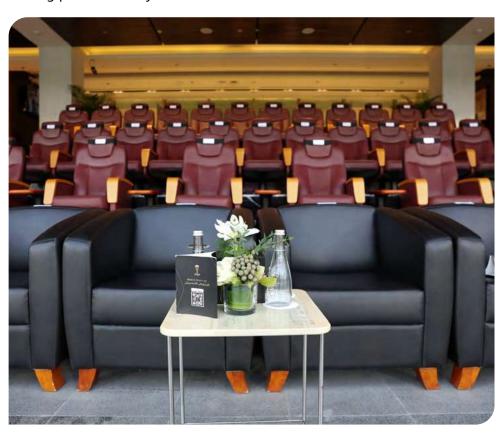


STADIUM PROTOCOL MANAGEMENT

VVIP TRIBUNE ARRANGEMENTS

The respective Venue Protocol Officers were responsible for ensuring the readiness of their VVIP Tribune on Matchdays based on the approved seating plan shared by the VVIP Seat

Plan Officer in the AFC Complimentary Ticketing System (ACTS). Thereafter, seat tags/stickers displaying the names of the VVIP guests were placed on the seats.



VVIP/ VIP LOUNGE ARRANGEMENTS

Both lounges offered premium live music entertainment and catering services based on the following:

- Premium hors d'oeuvres and canapes
- Live cooking station
- International and local gourmet cuisine
- Dessert station

General Service Timings:

- Match 01 and 51 : from KO-3h until FW+1h
- All Other Matches: from KO-2h until FW+1h
- All services were to be ready at least 30 minutes before the gates opened

At the lounge, service staff were on hand to welcome and offer guests traditional Arabian coffee, karak chai and mocktails.





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STADIUM PROTOCOL MANAGEMENT

NEW INITIATIVES

The AFC introduced QR codes at the V/VIP Lounges for access to WiFi, the catering menu and match start list with the aim of encouraging sustainable practices for a greener future.

Additionally, a dedicated AFC President's Lounge was set up in all nine stadiums to offer a more private space to the AFC President, complete with a butler service, for welcoming guests on Matchdays.







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VVIP INVITATIONS & TRIBUNE SEAT PLAN MANAGEMENT

VVIP INVITATIONS & TRIBUNE SEAT PLAN MANAGEMENT

The VVIP Seating Plan Protocol Officers were responsible for the VVIP Invitations List, VIP ticket requests and distributions, as well as developing the tribune seating plans for all matches.

The ACTS was introduced in this edition to manage the requests and allocations of the AFC's complimentary tickets and the VVIP Invitations. The VVIP Tribune seating plans were also customised on ACTS as an additional feature.

The AFC VVIP Seating Plan Officers compiled the Match Specific Guest List from ACTS and email requests by PMAs/MAs and EXCO Members, after these were approved by the AFC General Secretary.

The AFC VVIP Seating Plan Officers were responsible for providing the approved and finalised Guest Lists based on the matches and invitation cards for distribution on Matchdays from 10am to 2pm at the AFC Lounge.



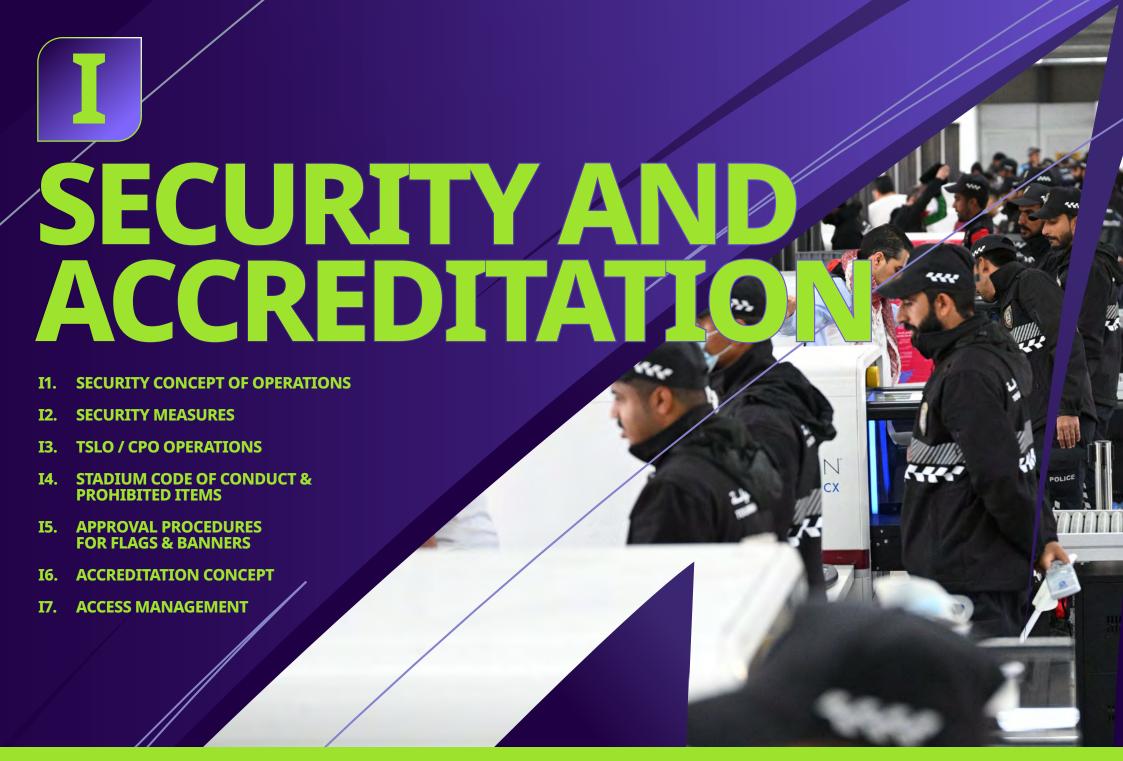


The VVIP Seating Plan Protocol Officers were responsible for the alignment of the VVIP seating plans in the system with the actual tribune seats for all 51 matches.

Daily coordination with the LOC Guest Management to finalise the heart of tribune and to ensure no duplication of invitees.

The finalised and approved seating plan were shared minus three (3) hours prior to kick-off to respective Stadium Protocol Officers for their onward actions.







SECURITY CONCEPT OF OPERATIONS

The Security Concept of Operations is the top-level approach of setting the objective and strategic directions for the security operations, outlining the framework for all tasks as well as roles and responsibilities. Delivering the Security Concept of Operations is a legal commitment under the terms of the Hosting Agreement that was signed by the Host Country and the AFC.

It was supported by an overall Safety & Security Operation Plan that set out procedures to be followed and also provided detailed safety and security operational plans for all competition-related sites.

The Security Concept of Operations covered the following subject areas: Threat Assessment, Risk Assessment, Operation of Safety & Security Risks Assessment, Security Program Plan, Venue Security Operational Plan, Security Contingency Plan, Security Policy & Procedures and Venue Security Requirements.

Below are the improvements for the Safety and Security Operations:

- Implemented the Security Concept of Operations
 LOC provided the concept and all the necessary plans and procedures.
- Implemented Secured Transportation of Client Groups and Bubble-to-Bubble Operations, in particular for Teams and Referees through the Vehicle Search Area.
- Activated the Venue Operations centre at all stadiums to manage all safety and security operations across all venues to ensure consistency of operations.



- Implemented clearly defined Evacuation Plans not only in the stadiums but also at the MMC, DEC and Training Sites.
- Revised the list of prohibited items and implemented list of prohibited actions.
- Clearly defined procedures and processes through documentations that ensured seamless implementation of safety and security plans.
- Introduced the Close Protection Officer (CPO), who worked together with Team Security Liaison Officer (TSLO) for better security arrangements and coordination for teams.

SECURITY MEASURES SECURITY MEASURES

CROWD CONTROL AT STADIUMS

SECURITY SAFETY OPERATION COMMITTEE REACT IN THE FOLLOWING CASES

Emergency evacuation

Crowd Density Exceed: 3.5-4 people per square metre Queues that block spectators' flow Systems failures (power, escalator lifts, gates, alarm signal)

Riot

POTENTIAL PLACES OF ABNORMAL SITUATION

Holding areas and queuing system before Pedestrian Search Area

Turnstiles and ticket-check areas

Brand Activation Areas (BAAs i.e. merchandise kiosks, concession stands etc.) between outer and inner perimeters of the stadiums

Stairs/Vomitories

Concession stands, water closets (toilets) merchandise kiosks on the stadium concourses, stylobate (spaces between the tiers)

Egress gates

Queue management system in front of the transport nodes Pedestrian walkways on the approach to the transportation nodes/stadium

Pedestrian vs vehicle crossings

SECURITY MEASURES SECURITY MEASURES

EVACUATION PLAN AT STADIUMS

PARTIAL EVACUATION (MATCHDAY, DURING VOC OPERATIONAL HOURS) **DECISION MAKING EVACUATION AFC MATCH** VC, SSOC, VC, DVC, TCC. VC VC SSOC **DVC. VUM** DIRECTOR. VUM **HSVM** VUM. VC The VC notifies The VC instructs In case of an The VC informs In coordination In consultation **DVC and VUM** emergency **Deputy Venue AFC Safety** with TCC, the **Deputy Venue** with the Health inform those requiring access **Commanders VC** oversees **Commanders** responsible for & Security and Safety restriction to Officer, those (DVC) and the **Venue Manager** the execution of (DVC) in VOC the evacuation responsible for **VUM** regarding the Evacuation a dangerous and SCR of process and (HSVM), the executing the **VC** defines area, the VOC the decision implements the sector/area about the group, including assembly points, dedicated to restrict evacuation, and necessary to be evacuated. the Tournament measures for Subsequently, considering assembly points the AFC movements in the designated **Control Centre** expediting the **DVC informs** the source of Representative, evacuation if the threat, and **Venue Manager** (TCC) officer. The Stadium area and **VUM** informs the (VUM), initiate a partial required. Supervisors, and reports to DVC affected FAs and and Venue evacuation from **VUM informs** and VUM Commander (VC), the emergency coordinates their personnel about it. jointly decide on operations as responsible for area. restrictions and per the situation, executing the evacuations. If along with evacuation notifying the AFC consensus isn't **Match Director** reached, the VC has the final say and MOC.

TSLO / CPO OPERATIONS TSLO / CPO OPERATIONS

TSLO

CPO (CLOSE PROTECTION OFFICER)

CLOSE PROTECTION GROUP

TSLO

- TSLO accompanies team from MD-4 till the departure from Qatar or maximum 48 hours after the team's last match at the tournament
- TSLO stays in team hotel
- TSLO is in contact with TLO regarding schedule of movements
- TSLO is the team's focal point for resolving any issues in terms of security
- TSLO coordinates with Traffic escorts for escorted movements

CPO

- CPO accompanies team from MD-4 till the departure from Qatar or maximum 48 hours after the team's last match at the tournament
- CPO commands the operations in case of security threat or incident
- CPO is the main focal point for the protection related topics
- CPO communicates with team through TSLO



STADIUM CODE OF CONDUCT & PROHIBITED ITEMS

STADIUM CODES OF CONDUCT

For the AFC Asian Cup Qatar 2023[™], a formal Stadium Code of Conduct was established between the AFC, the host nation, the relevant local authorities and the Stadium authorities. The Code contained provisions that helped to reduce the risk of any spectator behaviour that could have threatened safety, security or good order. If these provisions were violated, the offender(s) would be punished in accordance with the host nation's laws and subject to eviction and/or a ban from Stadiums.

In accordance with the List of Prohibited and Restricted Items (Stadiums) and the Ticketing Terms and conditions, only flags, banners, or posters no larger than 1.5 x 2 metres are permitted. The content must exclusively feature the official country flags of the participating teams

In accordance with the List of Prohibited and Restricted Items (Stadiums) and the Ticketing Terms and conditions, only musical instruments that can fit the window of an X-ray (being 40*60cm) are allowed to be brought inside the stadiums by spectators (with the exception of the devices producing loud sounds, such as whistles, megaphones, etc)

However active fan groups can submit applications to FAN@TBD (email to be confirmed) not later than 10 days prior the respective match in case they would like to bring large musical instruments, different types of the flags and banners or organise fan performances using other elements*.

Application form - Appendix 1



APPROVAL PROCEDURES FOR FLAGS & BANNERS

A procedure was established and applied to any oversized flan (larger than 2.5 by 1.5 metres), official flags and banners as well as musical instruments. The application form was provided on the official ticketing website and also circulated to all PMAs.

The outcome of the applications was sent to the applicants with detailed instructions and guidance on usage of their items in stadiums.

We provide an opportunity for active supporters/ official fan groups to bring large musical instruments. arrange performances and bring large flags or banners with content that differs from the official country flags - if preapproved by the **Organisers**

We will share an application form that the fan leader is required to submit to fan@sc.qa not later than 10 days prior to the respective match

SSOC and AFC
will evaluate
a request (we
might ask
the fans for
additional details
to be provided)
and share the
feedback

Fans shall follow all the instructions given by SSOC in the application form ssoc reserves
the right to
prohibit access
with elements
even if preapproved in case
the safety and
security situation
changes

In the event that fans do not adhere to instructions, the elements may be prohibited as well

IMPROVEMENTS ON THE OVERALL ACCREDITATION CONCEPT

Changes in the colour for certain accreditation (AD) categories, subcategories and overall improvement in the designs for better aesthetics and functionality

Introduced QR code scanning at the PSAs for secure verification purposes Implemented an enhanced privilege matrix that clearly defined all access privileges at every venue, which included the demarcation of newly established zones and the display of relevant pictograms to enhance visual understanding

Two types of Accreditation Cards were implemented: a PVC AD Card for AFC, LOC, Teams and Referees and a laminated version for VOL, SV, SEC, MED, HB, Partners, AFG, RTV and FT. The PVC AD Card came with enhanced security features

CATEGORIES & SUB-CATEGORIES

CATEGORY		SUB-CATEGORIES
	Football Family	AFC/LOC High management and relevant stakeholders (Black PVC)
	AFC	Asian Football Confederation (AFC)
	LOC	Local Organising Committee
	Team	Participating Teams (PLAYER, TEAM OFFICIAL)
	Referees	Referees (REFEREE)
	Volunteer	Volunteers, LOs, Flag bearers, Ball kids (VOL)
	Services	Services / Technical staff (SV)
	Security	State Security (SEC)
	Private Security	Private Security, Stewards (PSEC)
	Medical	Medical (MED)
	Football Technology	VAR System and selected technology providers (FT)
	Partners	Partners, Partners Guests, Partners Staff (PAR)
	Media	Press / Media representatives (PHO, PRE, NRH)
	НВ	Host Broadcasters (HB)
	RTV	Broadcast Partners (RTV)
	Asia Football Group	AFC Commercial Rights Partner (AFG)

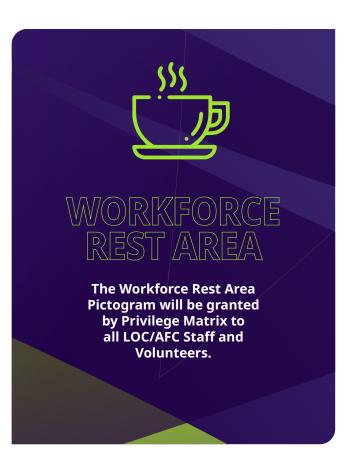
ACCESS PRIVILEGE BY ZONES

Zone 1	Field of Play	Pitch; Team benches; Fourth official's bench; tunnel and access to field of play; photographers' and broadcast pitch positions.
Zone 2	Competitions Area (official areas)	Teams and Referees dressing rooms; Medical and Doping Control rooms; AFC and LOC offices; Corridors (with access to dressing rooms).
Zone 3	Public Areas (access to inner perimeter)	Seating bowl, spectators areas, accredited areas, general Public entrance; Public toilet facilities; Public points of Sale; Concessions' areas; First aid; Commercial displays .
Zone 4	Operations Areas	AFC offices, LOC offices, volunteer centre, storage areas, VOC (all rooms not in Zone 2, IT room, PA announcer booth, police/fire brigade rooms, electrical generator, medical facilities)
Zone 5	VIP & VVIP Areas	VIP reception and lounge; VIP Seats and VIP Area, kitchen
Zone 6	Media Areas	Stadium media centre, media catering area; photographers' area, media services, Media tribune seats, commentary position, mixed zone; press conference room, observers' seats, Etc.
Zone 7	Broadcast Areas	TV Compound, VAR room, Radio and TV Studios, and Camera Platforms.
Zone 8	Hospitality Areas	Hospitality Lounges, skybox area, kitchen, Etc.
Zone 9	Venue Operation Centre (VOC)	Venue Operation Centre

ACCESS PRIVILEGES ACCREDITATION PICTOGRAMS



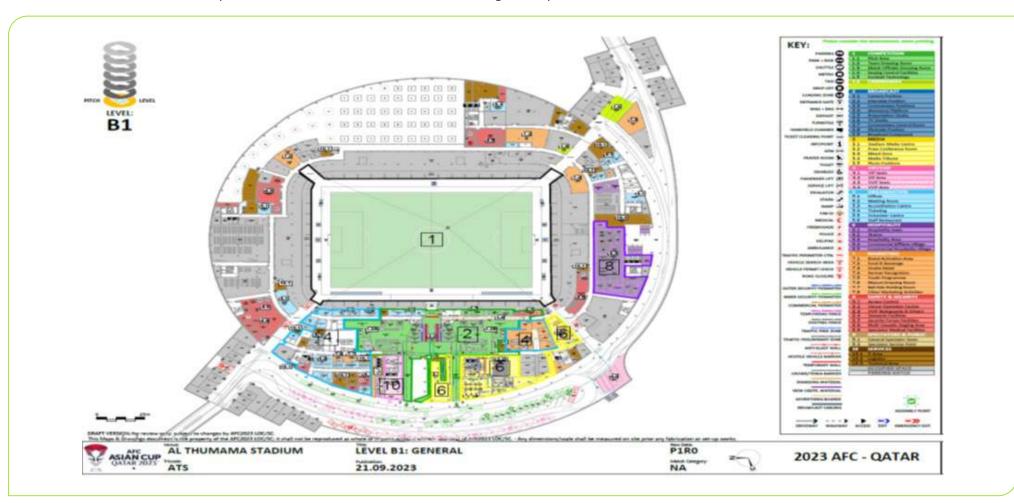




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ACCESS MANAGEMENT ACCESS MANAGEMENT

At each and every Accreditation checkpoint, Accreditation Access Boards will be displayed to show Venue Access Zones and sample of SADs (where applicable) that are permitted entry to the restricted area. Below is the sample Zoning maps plan and from which the access management plan is defined



Any movement of these Accreditation Access Boards is strictly prohibited unless under the authority of the LOC Access Manager and AFC Safety & Security Officer at the respective venue. Any queries regarding the

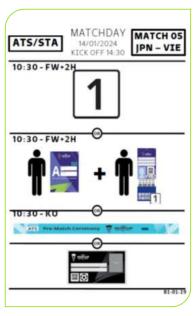
location of the Accreditation Access Boards at each respective Venue should be directly addressed to the LOC Access Manager or AFC Safety & Security Officer. If there is an agreement that a change to the current

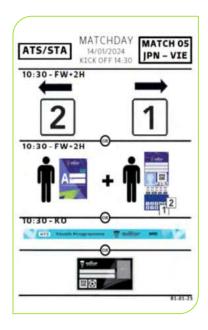
location of the Accreditation Access Boards is required, the AFC Safety and Security Officer will then with the LOC Access Management Manager of the relevant venue amend the change.

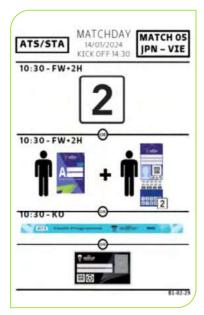
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SAMPLE FOR ACCESS BOARD FOR FIELD OF PLAY AND COMPETITION AREAS



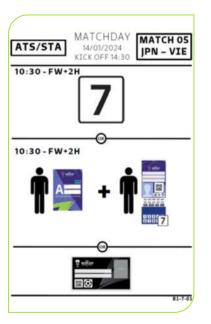


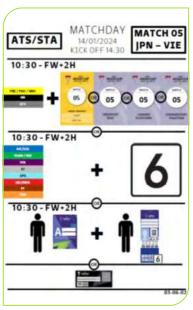


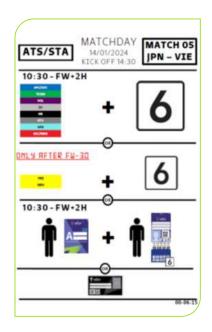


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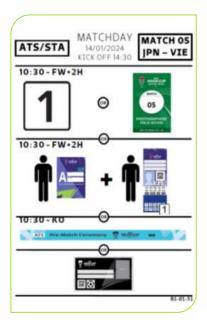
SAMPLE FOR ACCESS BOARD FOR MEDIA AREAS, BROADCAST AREAS, AND PHOTO PITCH ACCESS















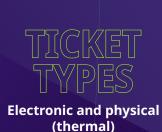
GENERAL CONCEPT & PRICING

TICKET SALES AND LAUNCHES

In phases via the official online ticketing platform and ticketing resolution points at the stadiums

TICKET CATEGORIES

VVIP, VIP, Category 1, 2 & 3, Hospitality, Skyboxes, Accessibility



TICKET PRICES (IN QATARI RIYALS, QAR):

STAGE	CATEGORY 1	CATEGORY 2	CATEGORY 3	CATEGORY 4
Opening and Closing (Final)	250	100	30	30
Group Stage and Round of 16	60	40	25	25
Quarter-finals and Semi-finals	100	60	30	30



TICKETING OPERATIONS & MANAGEMENT

PURCHASABLE TICKETS:

- General public and fans: Online platform via official ticketing website (https://asiancup2023.qa/en)
- PMAs' bulk order:
 - Purchasable ticket entitlement per Regulations and facilitated using a Ticket Order Form for direct purchase from LOC Ticketing.
 - Purchases from Round of 16 onwards subject to PMA's qualification, using a Ticket Order Form.

AFC COMPLIMENTARY TICKETING SYSTEM (ACTS):

- Delegation and PMA requests and applications managed using the AFCdeveloped ticketing request platform for the first time in tournament history.
- Two major components of ACTS:
 - ☐ Complimentary tickets requests: WIP, VIP, Category 1 and Category 2 tickets
 - VVIP Seating plan



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TICKETING STATISTICS TICKETING STATISTICS

GENERAL TICKET SALES DATA

AS AT 27 JANUARY 2024

- Group Stage (Total sold and allocated): 1,025,195 (~90%)
- Knockout Stage (Total sold and allocated): 340,100 (~56%)
- Total tickets sold (online and offline): 1,365,295

AS AT 5 FEBRUARY 2024

- Knockout Stage (Total sold and allocated): 539,012 (~85%)
- Total tickets sold (online and offline): 1,564,207

TOP THREE MATCHES (HIGHEST SALES)

матсн	MATCH DATE	STADIUM (GROSS CAPACITY)	TOTAL SALES AS AT 5 FEB 2024
M49 JOR v KOR	6 February 2024	AAS (45,032)	41,144
M51 JOR v QAT (FINAL)	10 February 2024	LUS (88,000)	22,068
M50 IRN - QAT	7 February 2024	ATS (44,000)	21,582

TICKETING STATISTICS TICKETING STATISTICS

ACTS – GENERAL STATISTICS

(I) USERS:

- Total users (including requestors and administrators): 251
- Total registered requestors: 218
 - □ PMAs: 24
 - ☐ AFC Delegation: 194
- Total ACTS admins (including Complimentary Ticketing and VVIP Seating Plan Administrators): 33

(II) PROCESSED REQUESTS (TOTAL: 51 MATCHES)

- Total requests: 8,451
- Total requests (approved*): 4,978
- Total requests (declined): 1,690
- Estimated total transacted emails (via ACTS): 16,000 (Average: 313 emails/match)
- * Some approved requests not accurately recorded during Group Stage; actual total approved requests were considerably higher.

(III) PROCESSED REQUESTS, BY CATEGORY

REQUESTS	CAT1 (M01 - M51)	CAT2 (M01 - M51)	VIP (M01 - M51)	VVIP (M01 - M50)	VIP VAPP (M05 - M51)
Total requests	3282	1024	2281	1562	302
Total requests (approved)	2184	432	1903	342	117
Total requests (declined)	817	375	310	159	29



DISCIPLINARY MATTERS DISCIPLINARY MATTERS

WHERE POSSIBLE, LEGAL MATTERS WERE DEALT WITH PROMPTLY AT THE VENUE(S) IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE RELEVANT AFC STAFF CONCERNED. ALL DISCIPLINARY NOTICES WERE SUCCESSFULLY SERVED VIA EMAIL TO THE RESPECTIVE TEAM LIAISON OFFICERS, TEAM MANAGERS AND MEMBER ASSOCIATIONS.

199 DISCIPLINARY SANCTIONS WERE ISSUED

BY THE REFEREES: 192 CAUTIONS AND SEVEN EXPULSIONS

33 DECISIONS WERE MADE

BY THE AFC DISCIPLINARY AND ETHICS COMMITTEE AT THE VENUES.



INTEGRITY INTEGRITY INTEGRITY

ALL 51 MATCHES IN THE COMPETITION WERE MONITORED

BY THE AFC INTEGRITY UNIT AND THE AFC INTEGRITY PARTNER, SPORTRADAR.

NONE WERE DEEMED SUSPICIOUS FROM AN INTEGRITY PERSPECTIVE.

FROM A BETTING INTEGRITY PERSPECTIVE,

THE COMPETITION IS CONSIDERED TO HAVE BEEN PLAYED IN A COMPETITIVE MANNER AND FREE FROM MANIPULATION. THE OVERALL BETTING ACTIVITY WITNESSED THROUGHOUT THE COMPETITION IS CONSIDERED REGULAR.

AFTER THOROUGH EVALUATION,

ALL MATCHES CONTAINING SIGNIFICANT BETTING MOVEMENTS ACROSS THE PREMATCH AND/OR LIVE MARKETS WERE NOT CONSIDERED SUSPICIOUS AND COULD BE JUSTIFIED BY REGULAR SPORTING FACTORS.



COMMERCIAL & INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

THE COMMERCIAL AND INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY UNIT SUCCESSFULLY PERFORMED THE FOLLOWING TASKS FOR THE AFC ASIAN CUP QATAR 2023™

REGISTRATION OF TRADEMARKS

The unit undertook active steps to initiate the registration of mascots, word work, slogan and competition logo through the LOC in order to secure the protection of the AFC's intellectual property assets. Prior to the creation of the logo and slogan, trademark searches were also conducted in ensuring the AFC's proposed marks were distinctive and did not infringe on existing trademarks.

PROVISION OF LEGAL
SUPPORT TO COMMERCIAL
OPERATIONS AND
COMMERCIAL DEPARTMENT
ON CONTRACTUAL RIGHTS

IMPLEMENTATION OF THE RIGHTS PROTECTION PROGRAMME

Ahead of the competition, the Rights Protection Booklet was published on the AFC's website to guide the public on the usage of the AFC's intellectual property assets.

A simplified rights protection poster was provided to the security team and volunteers assisting the unit during Matchdays. The poster was prepared in both English and Arabic to provide a comprehensive understanding of items/materials which could be inferred as a form of ambush marketing.

The unit also inspected the stadiums to ensure that the clean site principles were adhered to.

During Matchdays, volunteers assisting the unit were also provided with a simplified document to aid them in taking note of the acceptable attire of spectators and third-party brands, which were prohibited from associating itself with the AFC. Spectators found to be wearing third-party brands were provided with stickers of the competition to conceal the brands.

The unit also coordinated with the security team to manage ticket touts, unauthorised concessionaires and unauthorised marketing activities by third parties.

Throughout the duration of the competition, as and when prompted by the AFG of any unauthorised association of a third party with the AFC, cease-and-desist letters were issued to the respective parties.





THE AFC MEDICAL TEAM THE AFC MEDICAL TEAM,

2019	2023
 One AFC Medical Officer per stadium Covered both medical and anti-doping responsibilities 	 Two (2) AFC Medical Officers per stadium – one to manage medical responsibilities and the other oversaw doping control, on a rotation basis Every AFC Medical Officer was assigned a primary stadium, along with secondary venues
Responsible for all medical, scientific and anti-doping matters for the Competition	 Responsible for all medical, scientific and anti-doping matters for the Competition, with expanded roles Managed the use of the VAR system and all medical technology systems. The application of VAR and injury spotting necessitated the pitch-side presence of the AFC Medical Officer throughout the match Carried out anti-doping control with application of Dried Blood Spot testing and blood sample collections Application of FIFA MODOC - a paperless system of doping control integrated with the World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) Anti-Doping Administration and Management System (ADAMS)



MEDICAL MATTERS MEDICAL MATTERS

FUNCTIONAL AREAS

PMAS

Dedicated Player
Services at all stadiums;
Ambulance coverage at
Team Base Camps; Oncall doctor service for
hotels and Ambulance
coverage for Training;
Aspetar referral services

MEDIA

1 x Medical clinic for Media & Broadcast Main Media Centre with ambulance coverage

REFEREES

1 x Medical Clinic at Hotel and Ambulance coverage at Hotel and Training site(s)

LOC WORKFORCE

Competition and noncompetition venue clinic access dependent on accreditation/zoning. In general, access to spectator medical services and ambulances at stadiums. 999 emergency coverage where no onsite services provided

AFC DELEGATION

1 x Medical Clinic at AFC Hotel with ambulance coverage; 1x Medical Clinic at Doha Exhibition Centre (DEC)

FANS

Stadium spectator clinics; Mobile medical teams; ambulance services across competition sites

WIP/WWIP

1 x Medical Clinic at official VIP Hotel with ambulance coverage; VIP & VVIP clinics at stadiums (according to space/stadium)



MEDICAL MATTERS MEDICAL MATTERS

MEDICAL INFRASTRUCTURE & SERVICES

- Players' clinics were set up at all stadiums, manned by medical personnel and equipped with emergency medical supplies and necessary medications.
- The LOC designated on-pitch medical personnel as per the HR Policy requirement and provided exemplary support and cooperation throughout the tournament.
- Three ambulances were stationed at each stadium:
 - ☐ Two are dedicated for the platers
 - ☐ One was dedicated for VIP/VVIP guests
 - Number of ambulances for spectators, mobile medical staff and mobile command centre were designated in accordance with the risk assessment prior to each match









MEDICAL MATTERS MEDICAL MATTERS

MEDICAL SERVICES

TOTAL PATIENTS (ALL VENUES): 2676

AL JANOUB STADIUM 192

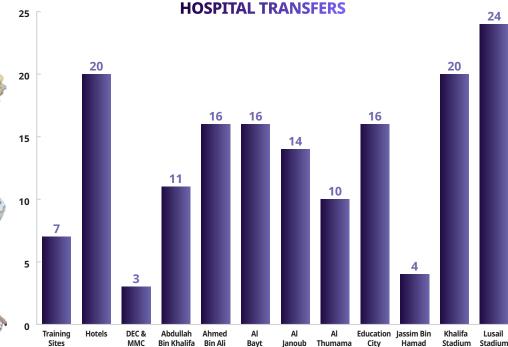




EDUCATION

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CITY STADIUM



Stadium

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TOTAL HOSPITAL TRANSFERS: 161



INTERNATIONAL

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STADIUM



AL BAYT STADIUM









Stadium





ANTI-DOPING ANTI-DOPING

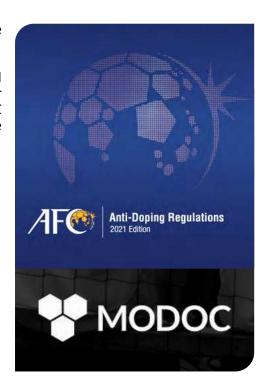
OVERVIEW

■ The Anti-Doping programme was governed by the AFC Anti-Doping Regulations (ADR) and relevant Codes and Guidelines from WADA The ADR was communicated to the Participating Teams via a circular dated 28 November 2023 **REGULATIONS** Anti-doping related matters featured on the agenda during the Team Workshop from 4 to 5 October 2023 The AFC Medical Officers and AFC Doping Control Officers were well versed with the rules and regulations The AFC Medical Officers selected **EXPERTISE** were experienced in covering AFC AND Competitions and underwent continuous **EXPERIENCE** education on a regular basis

ACTIVITIES

OVERVIEW

- AFC adopts a zero-tolerance stance towards doping
- Doping controls were enforced during the AFC Asian Cup Qatar 2023™ in accordance with the AFC Doping Regulations, including the following:
- In and out-of-competition testing and target testing
- Players provided urine and/ or blood samples, which were handled by a WADA-accredited laboratory in Doha
- Dried Blood Spot (DBS) samples – new initiative
- Paperless Doping Control Forms – new initiative





ANTI-DOPING ANTI-DOPING ANTI-DOPING

RISK ASSESSMENT

- Ensure that all teams are subject to the same process e.g. all teams must be tested out of competition. However, it is also essential to know when teams need to be prioritised for additional testing.
- Identify teams that have history of Anti-Doping Rule Violations (ADVRs), which may necessitate increased testing
- Players absent during testing and who require rescheduling
- Player returning from injury to training
- Countries with histories of doping cases in sports due to supplements, in particular; in addition, any nonanalytical ADVRs
- Whereabouts accuracy is a challenge; mapping of teams or individuals can be done through various platform e.g. social media



SPORTRADAR

INTELLIGENCE & INVESTIGATION

- Usage of Intelligence & Investigation (I&I) enhances the intelligence collection of identification of risks across the testing process and the development of targeted testing plans
- Sportsradar conducted 20 risks assessments in which 18 countries participated in the AFC Asian Cup Qatar 2023™, ranking them from low to high-risk in terms of doping.
- The information collected was part of an intelligence-led approach that assisted AFC to enhance the efficiency of out-of-competition testing during the tournament





ANTI-DOPING ANTI-DOPING

TESTING

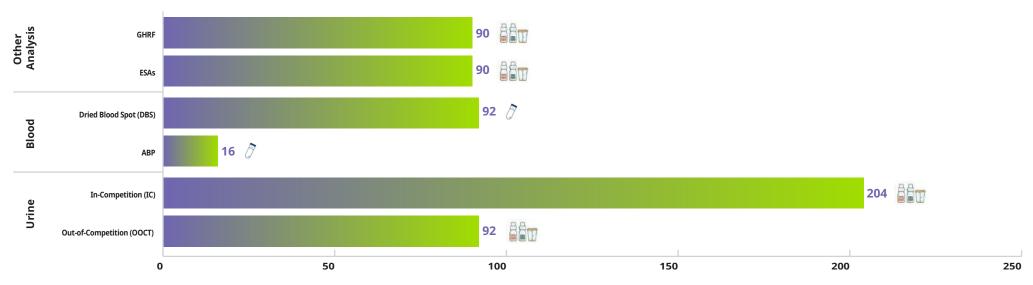
TESTING PLAN

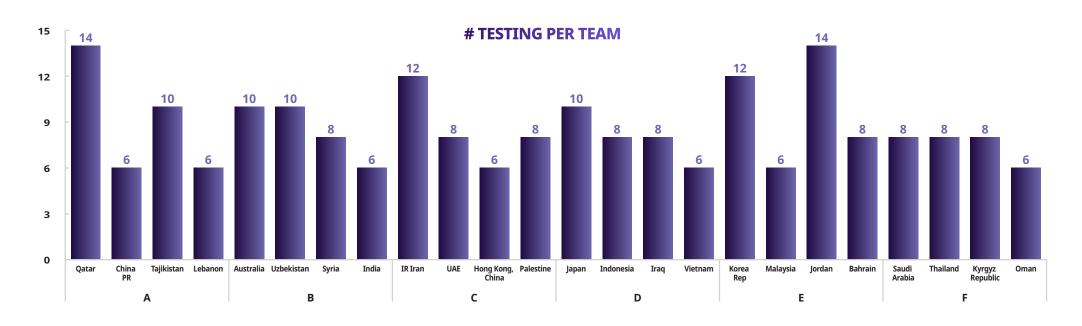
- Out-of-Competition (Unannounced / no-advance notice test).
 - Whereabouts
- In-Competition
 - Random Selection
 - Target Testing
- Total of 404 samples collected in and out of competition.
- The samples were analysed at the WADA-accredited Anti-Doping Qatar Laboratory. The samples were personally lodged at the laboratory by the AFC Medical Officers immediately after completion of testing.
- Doping Tests were conducted smoothly without any incidents, thanks to excellent cooperation from Players and Team Officials.



ANTI-DOPING ANTI-DOPING ANTI-DOPING

SAMPLES COLLECTED AND ANALYSED







REPORT BY FA LEADS/HEADS

LOC CHIEF MEDICAL OFFICER

NAME OF LOC COUNTERPART:

Dr. Khalid Al Khelaifi

DESIGNATION
OF THE LOC
COUNTERPART(S):

Chief Medical Officer (CMO)

BRIEF ROLES &
RESPONSIBILITIES
OF THE LOC
COUNTERPART(S)

- Oversee the over-all medical services and doping control organisation of the tournament.
- The CMO liaises with the AFC Chief Medical Officer and AFC Lead Medical Coordinator on technical aspects of medical and anti-doping matters.







- Demonstrated dedication, leadership, took full responsibility, and committed to his job.
- Always projected positive attitude.
- Hands-on in all aspects of medical and anti-doping (conducted daily meetings and present at almost all the matches to ensure medical set-up was in order).
- Well versed with the rules and regulations as CMO is a member of the AFC Panel of Medical Officers.

EXPERIENCES
WITH LOC
COUNTERPART(S)
WHILE WORKING
IN AC23



Expertise and Experience

- Officiated football matches as Stadium Venue Medical Officer.
- The CMO and medical personnel were experienced in covering football matches from national to international level



Management

- A well organised system of communication centralised at the Medical Command Centre (MCC).
- Collaborative effort from various stakeholders that projected strong support from public and private medical institutions (Qatar Red Crescents, Aspetar, Hamad Medical Corporation affiliated hospitals etc.).



VENUE MEDICAL MANAGERS (VMM)





Stadium

DR. RAOUF REKIK
Al Janoub
Stadium













EXPERIENCES WITH LOC COUNTERPART(S) WHILE WORKING IN AC23

Professionalism

- Led the medical personnel at their respective stadiums
- Worked closely with the AFC Medical Officers
- Demonstrated leadership, dedication and commitment to their job
- Ensured daily moulage three hours before kick-off of each match
- Attended all MCM and Team Doctor meetings together with the AFC Medical Officers

Expertise and Experience

 Officiated football matches as Stadium Venue Medical Officer in international and domestic leagues



OTHER MATTERS



The LOC extended a fee waiver for extensive medical coverage that benefitted the teams and other stakeholders

Organisation of a dinner with personnel of both the AFC and LOC medical teams had a positive impact on teamwork and cooperation, and proved to be an excellent platform to form new friendships and network

Provision of small tokens to the LOC reflected the AFC's appreciation for their invaluable contributions towards a successful AFC Asian Cup Qatar 2023™





TEAM MEDICAL EQUIPMENT

2019

2023

- Provided to each PT and LOC Medical Team.
- An empty bag with teams responsible for managing medical supplies



- The AEMB contains an Automated External Defibrillator (AED) and other necessary equipment for sudden cardiac arrest to provide basic life support to a patient before being transferred to a hospital.
- The new AEMB was effectively designed as a portable life-saving device with various compartments and labels. The Team Doctors were able to organise and equip the bag with all the necessary supplies required during an emergency.
- Each PT received the AEMB during the Team Arrival meetings.









DOPING CONTROL TESTING KITS FOR DRIED BLOOD SPOT

- Dried Blood Spot (DBS) testing is less invasive than traditional blood collection methods. The DBS test kits is painless, consistent and efficient.
- The SAFESystem DBS Kit is a tamper-evident and WADA-compliant solution that seamlessly integrates with the Tasso M20 device.
- DBS test kits can be transported from the venue to the WADA Laboratory without special packaging (such as cooling packaging) for biological specimens.











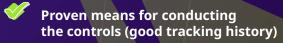
GOING DIGITAL: INTRODUCTION TO A PAPERLESS DOPING CONTROL SYSTEM

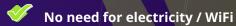
- MODOC is a digitised, fully integrated system to plan, execute and document In-Competition and Out-of-Competition controls.
- The FIFA Anti-Doping Unit supported the AFC Sports Medicine Unit (SMU) by providing access to the FIFA MODOC account free of charge. Each MODOC Doping Control Form (DCF) cost Euro 26.50.
- MODOC integration with WADA ADAMS to avoid manual entry of DCF.

PAPERLESS

- **W** Built-in guidance system
- Efficient / secure data transfer
- **Customisation**
- **Ensuring process**
 - Bottleneck situations
 - ☐ More resources needed in the set-up process.

ON PAPER





- **Easy onboarding process**
 - ☐ Prone to mistakes during data entry / data upload
 - Suitable only for one process
 - ☐ **No flexible data c**orrection







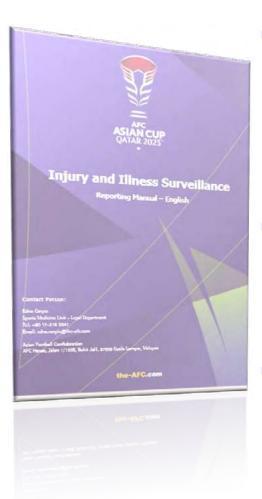
MEDICAL TABLET



- Implemented SMART Injury Review Technology designed for all 51 matches, which presented medical staff access to important diagnostic tools to allow immediate injury review.
- The technology facilitated quick and accurate decision making and treatment preparation.
- Teams were provided with a tablet for technical and medical usage. In addition, a medical tablet was operated by the AFC Medical Officer.
- The video replay system was highly useful for the assessment of head concussion and subsequent decisions regarding permanent substitution.

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INJURY & ILLNESS RESEARCH PROGRAMME



- The SMU and Aspetar Sports Injury and Illness Prevention Programme (ASPREV) developed a new injury and illness recording system that was introduced at the Competition. This system involved the gathering of information by the AFC from Team Doctors relating to injuries and illnesses affecting Players during the Competition using a new Injury and Illness Surveillance Form.
- Statistical analysis of the submitted forms was carried out by Aspetar Orthopaedic and Sports Medicine Hospital ASPREV Study Group, whom the AFC partnered with for this specific project. Reports on this statistical analysis were provided to each Team upon request.
- Post-tournament statistical analysis is ongoing

PERMANENT CONCUSSION SUBSTITUTION TRIAL

- The permanent concussion substitute trial Protocol A was implemented, in which each team was permitted to use a maximum of one concussion substitute in a match and no additional substitute for the opposing team.
- SMU liaised with the FIFA Medical Office and International Football Association Board (IFAB) on the reporting requirements, and obtained access to the reporting tools.
- SMU served as the focal point for technical reporting on concussion cases with the support of the AFC Medical Officer, in close coordination with the respective Team Doctors.
- From 51 matches, only one (1) substitution was made under this circumstance and the player did not play for the rest of the Competition.





EDUCATION & DEVELOPMENT









AFC ASIAN CUP QATAR 2023™ COMPETITION LOGO

AFC REVEALS THE AFC ASIAN CUP QATAR 2023™ EMBLEM

The AFC and the LOC of the AFC Asian Cup Qatar 2023™ launched the Official Logo Emblem of the competition to audiences at the Final Draw, which was held at the Katara Opera House in Doha, Qatar on 11 May 2023.

The logo emblem combined the silhouette of the famous AFC Asian Cup™ trophy with unique cultural elements that embodied the competition's spirit.

The lines of the trophy drew inspiration from the feathers of the majestic falcon, a bird with historical and cultural significance to the nation of Qatar, and the petals of Asia's indigenous lotus flower. The two cultural native symbols were united by one trait: their ability to rise above, as the lotus flower floats above water and the falcon soars in the sky.

The top of the logo was adorned with the iconic maroon, or ennabi, Qatar's national color. The typography was inspired by Arabic calligraphy, paying homage to the nation's language and its beautiful calligraphy.

Finally, the logo emblem was tailed with a shape resembling a diamond, which is the Arabic "nuqta" or dot that can be seen across many Arabic letters and is considered to be a symbol of clarity in Arabic writing.





The symbol was a powerful representation of the AFC Asian Cup Qatar 2023™.

A dramatic culmination of iconic Qatari and Asian cultural elements, our symbol took inspiration from both the prestigious and fabled Qatari falcon as well as the vibrant Asian lotus flower, whose shapes give influence and combine to culminate in a distinct trophy form. A truly unique and dynamic symbol, our logo was a celebration of the very best of the AFC Asian Cup™.



AFC ASIAN CUP QATAR 2023™ COMPETITION LOGO

WORDMARK

The wordmark was a combination of the core AFC Asian Cup™ custom typeface, combined with a handcrafted Qatar 2023™ marque to create a striking and standout typographic element that followed the style of our symbol and represented the AFC Asian Cup Qatar 2023™ tournament and its location.



Symbol











AFC ASIAN CUP QATAR 2023™ BRAND







The AFC Asian Cup Qatar 2023™ brand was vibrant, dynamic and exciting, comprising a range of core brand elements such as the logo, colours, imagery, typography and graphic elements.

It used a "fixed and flexible" system, offering a core set of "fixed" assets that was applied and "flexed" in different ways to offer an adaptable and compelling brand identity system that brought the tournament to life.





















AFC ASIAN CUP QATAR 2023™ BRAND

COLOUR INSPIRATION

Qatar is a nation rich in history and culture, and while it may sometimes be known for its traditional colours of maroon and white, our Host Country is full of colour.

From fabrics to landscapes, and modern and cutting edge architecture to classic constructions, there was a wide-ranging diversity of vibrant and unexpected colour combinations on show.

The colours of our identity were inspired by the colours of Qatar.



COLOUR STRATEGY

This section outlines our approach to colour, our colour palettes and usage guidance. Our colour approach was "unexpected colour combinations, unified by a connecting colour".

Our brand had two palettes; a core palette for use in digital, broadcast, partner activation and product premiums, and an "on-ground" palette of colours which brought our brand to life across the host cities and stadia.

All our unexpected colour combinations within each of these palettes were unified by our striking connecting colour: lilac.



LILAC - OUR CONNECTING COLOUR

To help connect all the colourways, we took the Lilac colour from the AFC Asian Cup Qatar 2023™ Final Draw and adopted this as our connecting colour across all touchpoints.







AFC ASIAN CUP QATAR 2023™ BRAND

OFFICIAL MUSIC: HADAF

- Hadaf means a goal and it was the official song for the AFC Asian Cup Qatar 2023[™], written by Heba Hamada and performed by Fahad Al-Hajjaji and Humood AlKhudher
- This music composition celebrates ambition, unity, and resilience, encouraging us to embrace hope and persevere in everything we do
- The AFC was not informed of the production of the anthem and the final cut of the track was submitted to AFC out of the blue.

Hadaf was used throughout all matches for the pre-match entertainment

OFFICIAL MASCOTS

- The Saboog were the AFC Asian Cup Qatar 2011TM mascots and were reintroduced as part of the Qatar 2023TM edition.
- The Saboog Family, which lives in the desert of Qatar, consists of five members: Three male characters and two female characters.
- Zkriti is the father, Traeneh is the mother, Freha is the oldest daughter, Saboog the firstborn son, and Tmbki is the youngest son.
- Mascots were activated in matches, on TV (BeIN advertising), shopping malls, airport, offices, fan zones and various other touchpoints in Doha.









NEW INITIATIVES & APPLICATIONS

MICROSOFT TEAMS

- Implementation and configuration of Microsoft Teams as a centralised communication and collaboration platform for all delegates.
- All delegates were provided with a Microsoft 365 account.

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CLICKUP

Implementation and configuration of ClickUp as a unified project management tool.



EXTRANET

A fully integrated platform with Microsoft SharePoint for centralised document sharing between the Asian Cup Office (ACO), PTs and external parties.

AFCAS: TEAM SCHEDULE MANAGEMENT (TSM)

- A platform that allowed all PTs to submit their preferred training times for their assigned Training Pitch.
- Team Manager will receive a notification from TSM upon approval of the request.

AFCAS: E-STARTLIST

- PTs submitted via AFCAS their entries for the Start List and Officials on the Bench.
- This paperless approach reduced the response time required previously, when PTs had to make submissions to the Match Commissioner (MC).

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AFCAS: TACTICAL LINE-UPS

Tactical formations and player information of the teams were populated in this new report for distribution to VVIP, VIP, Media and Broadcasters.

AFCAS: TEAM DOCUMENT SUBMISSION

- Documents for registration, equipment documents, infotainment media and artwork by PTs were submitted via AFCAS.
- Each PT were assigned three AFCAS accounts for such submissions.

AFCAS: MATCH ORGANISATION

Team-related responses from General Coordinator and MC reports were automatically populated, with the information consolidated for easier viewing.

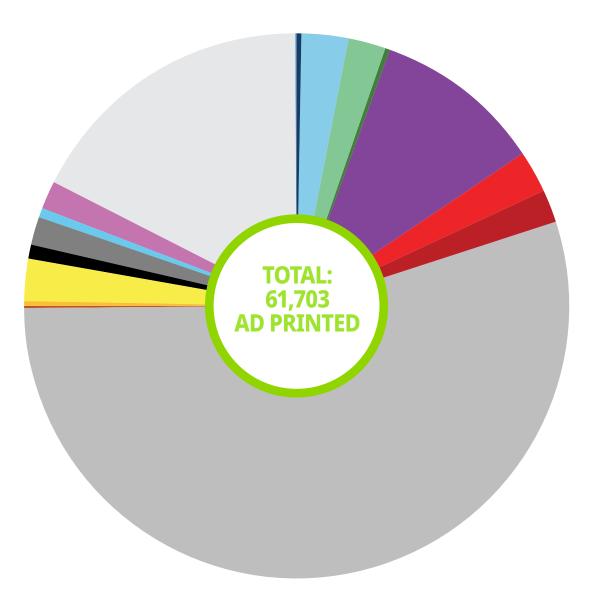
AFCAS: ENHANCED REPORT FORMAT

Enhanced reports were produced, containing more precise information, a neater layout and standardised format for Player Selection, Start List, Match Summary etc.



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BREAKDOWN BY CATEGORY



CATEGORY		PRINTED
	Football Family	31
	AFC	305
	LOC	1,700
	Team	1,344
	Referees	88
	Volunteer	6,189
	Private Security	1,496
	Medical	1,250
	Services	34,014
	Football Technology	72
	Partners	104
	Media	1,457
	НВ	457
	RTV/BRD Partner	1,152
	Asia Football Group	239
	Stakeholders	1,024
	Upgrade Cards	10,781
TOTAL		61,703



IT FACILITIES & SERVICES IT FACILITIES & SERVICES

- Dedicated Internet access installed and configured for all venues, including DEC, MMC, Referees (REF) and stadiums (STA).
 - DEC: 1GB Internet bandwidth
 - ☐ MMC: 2GB Internet bandwidth
 - ☐ **REF:** Two dedicated internet lines with 100Mbps each were supplied for the VAR Simulation and Remote Monitoring Rooms.
 - ☐ STA
 - ☐ Areas covered: Competition Areas, Media Centre, Media Tribune, VIP/VVIP, Field of Play, VAR and other operational areas.
 - ☐ **Group Stage:** 1GB Internet bandwidth for each stadium
 - ☐ Round of 16 onwards: 2 GB Internet bandwidth for each stadium
 - ☐ Final: 5GB Internet bandwidth for Lusail Stadium

- venues was provided.
- The WiFi SSIDs and passwords for all stakeholders were functional specific, which allowed automatic connection to their devices at different areas and venues.
- A standardised solution for WiFi service across all A total of four SSIDs were configured for AFC Delegates, VVIP/VIP, Teams and Media.

- A total of 68 Multi-function Printer (MFP) and printer units were installed across all venues, including DEC, MMC, REF, STA and VIP Hotel.
 - ☐ **DEC**: 13 units
 - ☐ MMC: 4 units
 - ☐ **REF**: 3 units
 - STA: 45 units, 5 per STA
 - □ VIP Hotel: 3 units

DEC OFFICE

- With a centralised HQ setup at the DEC, the following IT equipment were also supplied by the LOC
 - Ooredoo IP-TV box: 14 units
 - Computer Monitor: 96 units
 - ☐ **Laptop:** 14 units
 - LED TV: 20 units



LOGISTICS SERVICES VENDOR



- 1. Kuehne + Nagel (K+N) is one of the top providers of logistics services in the world and managed the logistics during the FIFA World Cup Qatar 2022.
- 2. K+N was appointed as the logistics services vendor via an open tender exercise. Kelme and Yili appointed K+N as their logistics services vendor as well.
- **3.** During the tournament, K+N managed the warehouse operations, item preparation and delivery to all AFC locations.









SPORT EVENTS MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

CUSTOMS PROCEDURES

- Customs declaration simplification
- No Harmonised Code; replaced by Category Code
- No certificate of origin needed
- No original invoices and packing lists required
- Question-based online approval for restricted items
- Reconciliation within Sports Events Management Services (SEMS)
- Exemption from Customs payment
- Consignor and Consignee (same entity)
- The introduction and the usage of SEMS by the LOC reduced the downtime of customs procedures as well as the import and export red tape.
- This helped to ensure a smooth delivery process from the port of entry to the Doha warehouse and DEC.
- The LOC played an important part in the customs procedures and was helpful in supporting day-today operations





SHIPMENT SHIPMENT SHIPMENT

- **1.** A total of 37 shipments from Malaysia and other countries to Qatar were recorded.
- 2. A total of 40 tonnes of items were imported into Qatar from Malaysia and other countries.

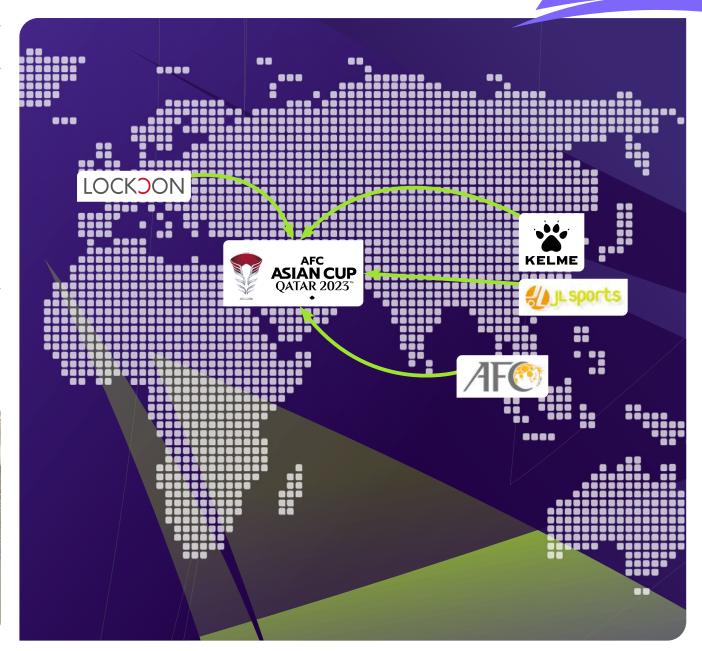
AIR FREIGHT

KUL-DOH

- 1. A total of 19 shipments via air freight from Kuala Lumpur to Doha were recorded.
- 2. All shipments utilised the direct flight by Qatar Airways from Kuala Lumpur to Doha.
- 3. A total of 830 cartons were shipped to Doha.
- **4.** All cartons were shrink-wrapped and palettised to deter theft and minimise damage.









SHIPMENT SHIPMENT SHIPMENT

OCEAN FREIGHT

CHN-DOH

- Kelme shipped four mixed-size containers via ocean freight from Xiamen, China PR to Doha. The items comprised official match balls, youth programme apparel and Final souvenir footballs.
- 2. Yili shipped 17 containers containing bottled mineral water to Doha. The bottled water was distributed by K+N (appointed by Yili) to all AFC locations in Doha.

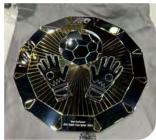












EXPRESS COURIER

- **1.** AFC and other stakeholders shipped items via express couriers to Doha.
- 2. Twelve shipments from Malaysia, Chinese Taipei, Hong Kong, China, United Kingdom and France were delivered to the K+N warehouse and DEC.
- 3. The list of items shipped via express couriers include Final match and souvenir footballs, sleeve badges, Referees' earpieces, award trophies, diaries, media gifts, Kelme shoes, invitation cards and Final match gift boxes.

AIR FREIGHT

DOH-KUL

- 1. A total of 29 pallets were shipped back to the AFC House.
- 2. A total of 307 cartons were moved via air freight to the AFC House.
- 3. All return shipments utilised the direct flight by Qatar Airways from Doha to Kuala Lumpur.
- **4.** Shipments were divided into four categories:
 - Temporary import (KUL-DOH-KUL)
 - Normal import (CHN-DOH-KUL)
 - Locally purchased items
 - Locally gifted items (souvenirs)





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MALAYSIA

- 1. Five trucks were used to collect a total of 3000 cartons from the AFC House.
- 2. AFC vendors delivered 530 cartons directly to the K+N warehouse in Bukit Jelutong, Kuala Lumpur.







QATAR

- Twenty mixed-size trucks were used for delivery to all AFC locations in Doha.
- Fifty workers delivered a total of 151 pallets to each location storage area.
- Five trucks and five workers were used to collect the return shipment items from the DEC.
- A total of 307 cartons on 29 pallets were collected from the DEC and delivered to the K+N DOH warehouse for consolidation.







WAREHOUSE OPERATIONS

BUKIT JELUTONG, MALAYSIA

- 1. The Malaysian warehouse for the AFC Asian Cup Qatar 2023™ was located in Bukit Jelutong, 23.2km and a 30-minute drive from the AFC House.
- 2. All tournament-bound items were delivered from the AFC House/ directly from the vendors to the warehouse for consolidation, with a total of 18 deliveries being made.
- **3.** Items were sorted and palletised according to each destination.
- 4. The local K+N team performed carton numbering based on the packing list prepared by ACO.
- 5. The first shipment from the warehouse to Doha took place on 8 December 2023 and the last shipment was on 28 December 2023.











DOHA, **QATAR**

- The warehouse in Doha, Qatar for the AFC Asian Cup Qatar 2023™ was located at the Dohatna Logistics Park in Umm Shaharaine, 29.1 km and a 30-minute drive from the DEC.
- 2. All items were delivered to and consolidated in the warehouse.
- **3.** Items were sorted and palletised according to each destination.

- Items were delivered to each AFC location from 29 December 2023 to 4 January 2024.
- 5. Following the closure of the warehouse on 4 January 2024, all incoming shipments to Qatar thereafter were delivered directly to the DEC.



DOHA EXHIBITION CENTRE (DEC) OPERATIONS

DOHA, **QATAR**

- 1. Located at the DEC, the storage room for the AFC Asian Cup Qatar 2023™ measured 246 sqm and could fit 250 pallets.
- 2. The storage room had two access points: a main entrance in the front and a rear entrance.
- **3.** Security personnel were on duty 24/7 to ensure the safety and security of the items.
- **4.** Storage room operations commenced from 29 December 2023 until 12 February 2024.













eASIAN CUP 2023 (eAC23) SUMMARY

- The event was held at the Virtuocity arena, located at the Doha Festival City Mall, from 1 to 5 February 2024
- The creative broadcast was managed by the vendor, Team Mana
- 19 PMAs featured in this invitational eFootball event









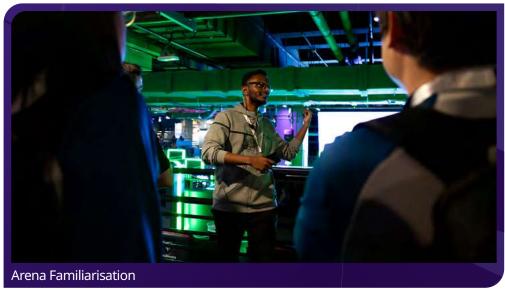
MATCH SCHEDULE MATCH SCHEDULE



OFFICIAL ACTIVITIES OFFICIAL ACTIVITIES

Activities included photography and video sessions, arena familiarisation and rehearsals (station, anthem etc.)



























































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CHAMPIONS

INDONESIA



JAPAN









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YOUTUBE LIVE COMPARISONS







CONCLUSION

eAC23 was a huge success with over 3,000,000 views for the Semifinals and Final on YouTube Live. This shows the great potential and interest in eFootball in Asia. To build on this, AFC will enhance our digital presence, strengthen our role in eFootball, and drive growth in the region.

WEBSITE

Leading up to the event, the-afc.com issued five media releases and website stories. Dedicated website page 'eAsian Cup' to share information, news and media release.

DAY 1

Match report covering all matches of the Group Stage

DAY 2

Match report covering all remaining matches of the Group Stage

DAY 3

Interview with participants published

DAY 4

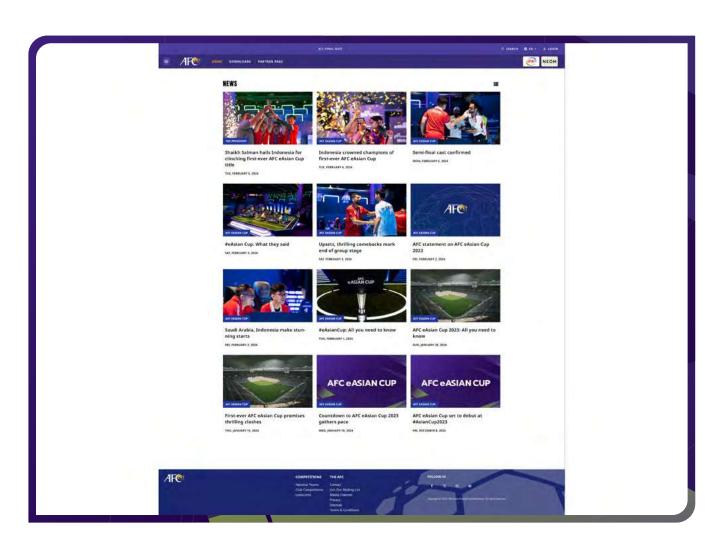
Match report covering all matches of Round of 16 and Quarter-finals

DAY 5

Match report covering Semi-finals and Final

DAY 6

Media release issued for President's wishes to champions Indonesia



ENGAGEMENT NUMBERS



NOTABLE EXTERNAL POSTS







OFFICIAL GLOBAL PARTNERS

























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