

AFC Disciplinary and Ethics Committee Meeting on 8 March 2025						
No	Competition	Defendant(s)	Matter	Basic Facts	Terms	Decision
A01	AFC Champions League Two 2024/25 (Knock-out Stage), Sanfrece Hiroshima (JPN) vs. Lion City Sailors FC (SGP) on 5 March 2025	Sanfrece Hiroshima (JPN)	<p>Art 56 DEC: Ineligibility</p> <p>Art 67 DEC: Obligations of Member Associations and Clubs</p> <p>Art 26 ACL Two 2024/25 Competition Regulations: Eligibility of Players</p>	The Defendant fielded the player Mr. Valere Bruno Rene Germain (AFC/162063/FRA) in the match even though he was suspended.	<p>1. Sanfrece Hiroshima (JPN) has committed an offence under Article 56 of the AFC Disciplinary and Ethics Code, read together with Article 26 of the AFC Champions League Two 2024/25 Competition Regulations.</p> <p>2. Sanfrece Hiroshima (JPN) has committed an offence under Article 67.1 of the AFC Disciplinary and Ethics Code, read together with Article 26 of the AFC Champions League Two 2024/25 Competition Regulations.</p> <p>3. The AFC Champions League Two 2024/25 (Knock-out Stage) match between Sanfrece Hiroshima (JPN) and Lion City Sailors FC (SGP) which took place on 5 March 2025 is forfeited by Sanfrece Hiroshima (JPN).</p> <p>4. Accordingly, applying Article 25.1 of the AFC Disciplinary and Ethics Code, Sanfrece Hiroshima (JPN) shall be considered to have lost the AFC Champions League Two 2024/25 (Knock-out Stage) match between Sanfrece Hiroshima (JPN) and Lion City Sailors FC (SGP) which took place on 5 March 2025 by a score of 3-0.</p> <p>5. Sanfrece Hiroshima (JPN) is ordered to pay a fine of USD1,000/-, which shall be settled within 30 days from the date that this decision is communicated in accordance with Article 11.3 of the AFC Disciplinary and Ethics Code.</p> <p>6. Fifty per cent of the USD160,000/- participation fee due to Sanfrece Hiroshima (JPN) under Article 54.7 of the AFC Champions League Two 2024/25 Competition Regulations shall not be paid to Sanfrece Hiroshima. To the extent that any such monies have already been paid, it shall be repaid to the AFC by Sanfrece Hiroshima (JPN) within thirty (30) days from the date that this decision is communicated.</p> <p>7. For the avoidance of doubt, in accordance with Article 14.6 of the AFC Disciplinary and Ethics Code, Mr. Valere Bruno Rene Germain (AFC/162063/FRA) is deemed to have served one match of his three-match suspension (imposed on him in Decision VVC 20240311DC06 of the AFC Disciplinary and Ethics Committee) in the match between Sanfrece Hiroshima (JPN) and Lion City Sailors FC (SGP) which took place on 5 March 2025.</p> <p>8. Sanfrece Hiroshima (JPN) is informed that a repeat violation of these provisions may be met with more severe punishment.</p>	VVC 20250308DC01