PAKISTAN FOOTBALL FEDERATION:
MORE FIFA THAN FOOTBALL
QUICK FACTS:
– Ranked 177th in the FIFA rankings.
– National team has not played a match since the first-round qualifiers the 2018 FIFA World Cup back in April
– A league is in place but at best its semi-professional.
– Awarded eight Goal projects by FIFA over the last decade. Just one is complete.
– The Pakistan Football Federation (PFF) president, Faisal Saleh Hayat, has been in power for the last 12 years.
CURIOUS CASE OF GOAL PROJECTS:
– Four Goal projects (including Quetta) were awarded in 2010.
– Timing of the awarding of those Goal Projects is questionable and why they haven’t been completed five years on, raises several questions.
– The *Sunday Times*, in its wide-ranging investigative report, on FIFA World Cup bidding reported that Manilal Fernando in order to lobby voters for Mohammed Bin Hammam, Dr Chung Mong-Joon and himself, distributed Goal projects.
– Initially six GPs were sought at that time.
PROJECT BY DR CHUNG AND AFC IN JHANG
– In October 2010, Dr Chung announced a $400,000 donation, with the AFC adding a further $250,000 to it for a flood relief project in Jhang which is the ancestral home of Hayat.
– The amount for the project was transferred to the PFF through the AFC almost a year later but the project never began.
– Question marks remain over AFC’s involvement in the funds transfer
– After Dawn’s story, the matter was sent to the FIFA investigatory chamber.
WHY PFF GOES UNCHECKED?
– Hayat is influential in AFC
– Chairman of AFC’s Legal department/Member of FIFA’s strategic committee.
– According to James Dorsey, Hayat thwarted an attempt to establish an ethics taskforce in the AFC.
– Had very good relations with Mohammed Bin Hammam.
– Now one of the most ardent backers of Sheikh Salman Bin Ebrahim Al Khalifa.

Factbox:
– Came into power on August 28, 2003.
– A prominent politician in Pakistan.
– Has recently been backed by FIFA despite holding sham elections. Has to conduct PFF elections in two years time.
e. With the completion of these 5 FIFA training centers, football activities in all the four Provinces will be accelerated which will help to develop football in Pakistan at much faster rate.

f. Sheikh Salman Bin Ebrahim Ali Khalifa Ex President of Bahrain, has been elected new President of AFC. Being a very close friend of mine he has, on my personal request, provided services of their top National Coach (Mr. Shamian) to PFF as Head Coach of Pakistan National team for the period of two years on gratis basis. By availing free services of Bahrainian coach for two years, PFF shall be saving an amounting of almost Rupees 3 crore which can be used for various other football development activities.

g. The full house appreciated the efforts of President PFF and generous gesture of Sheikh Salman Bin Ebrahim Ali Khalifa President, AFC and passed unanimous resolution to Thank Sheikh Salman Bin Ebrahim Ali Khalifa for providing gratis services of their top National coach as Head Coach of Pakistan National team.

h. He apprised the house that on his request AFC had awarded hosting right of AFC U/16 Qualifier competitions to Pakistan for Group D competition between

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