



THE DEDEBIT FOOTBALL CLUB MADE IT TO THE PREMIER LEAGUE MISSION ACCOMPLISHED

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Since its creation some thirteen years back, The DedeBIT sport club has won games after games and competitions after competitions in order to get where it presently is. This football club was created by a man with a dream who worked very hard to make his dream a reality. This man is Colonel Awol Abdurahim.

DedeBIT sport club is the only club that was established with unambiguous vision, mission and plan of Action in Addis Ababa with a view of creating a modern football club by organizing children under the age of ten. The club knew from the very outset where to start and where to end. It knew from the very outset what to accomplish in a given specific period of time and finally DedeBIT Football Club has realized one of its major objectives i.e. to enter the premier league and that was done with dignity and honor by winning both final hurdles successfully.

The main objective of the Club has been to make a significant national contribution by promoting DedeBIT to a professional football club. It also has as its vision to become a qualified professional football club recognized continent-wide and become a source of professional footballers for the country with millions of fans and club members and with a sound financial base.

DedeBIT Football club also has the following mission statements: To lay a strong foundation for football by nurturing gifted children from childhood and ensuring continuity by creating a self replenishing system; to set a national example by evolving from its inception as a project into a strong club that qualifies for the premier league; to make DedeBIT a source of pride for the nation and its fans by becoming a model football club in the continent and by becoming a self-sufficient club based on a broad-based popular foundation; to shape DedeBIT as an Ambassador club that would be governed under a genuine principle of sportsmanship in its relations with national and international sports associations as well as other offices in the sector and finally,

to register concrete and vivid national contribution by realizing the vision of Dedebit to become a Professional Football Club.

The goals of Dedebit football Club are: to undertake training and competition of players under the age of 13 from 1996- 2000. (Fulfilled); to conduct up-to-standard training and competition for those who are under the age of 15 and get players recruited for the Addis Ababa team(Fulfilled); to carry out up-to-standard training and competition for those who are under the age of 17 and get them recruited for the Addis Ababa and National Youth teams in the two years from 2003-2004 (Fulfilled) ; to get prepared for the Addis Ababa City First Division competition held in 2005 by finalizing organizational and training activities that enabled Dedebit to qualify as a regular club in 2004 (Fulfilled); to succeed in joining the Higher Division in only one tournament year by becoming a strong competitor in the Addis Ababa City First Division in 2005 (Fulfilled); to join the National League in 2007 by scoring impressive point that enables the club to qualify for the National League competition during the Addis Ababa Higher Division competition in 2006(Fulfilled); to sustain its impressive strides in 2008 to attain the first major achievement of Dedebit and qualify for the premier League (Fulfilled in 2009) ; and in future, to become a continent-wide famous international club by maintaining the momentum of its stride and becoming a strong premier league contender that the nation needs enjoying a broad popular support; to become a model and professional club that enjoys the support and confidence of the public at large.

Dedebit football club has a specific direction in order to fulfill its dreams and for that, Dedebit Football Club has to pursue the standard path that leads the team to a superior position in all levels of competition (U=13, U=15, U=17 and other regular club competitions). Here are the accomplishments: In U=13 (Under the age of 13), Dedebit was the best team among contending teams. Attained same status of the best team in U=15 and U=17 as well.

The following are Major Activities Executed by the Club.

- It won a medal and certificate for standing second in competition organized in 1999 in connection with the 25th founding anniversary of Tigray people's Liberation Front at Mekelle.
- In 2000, the team won a gold medal by becoming a champion of the game held in Addis Ababa in connection with the 20th founding anniversary of the Amhara Nation Democratic Movement.
- Dedebit won a cup in 2000 as it became champion of the Annual Under-13 competition held in Addis Ababa. An honorary cup was at the time awarded to the founder of the project as well.
- It similarly snatched a cup the following year as it succeeded in winning an annual competition held among eight teams in Addis Ababa City.
- The team again stood first from among 10 clubs which competed for a cup in a project championship that same year (2001).
- In 2003 Dedebit competed against 13 teams in an annual competition held in Zone 4 of Addis Ababa and won the cup. For that, the team was invited to the the King's Cup held at Shashemene and won the cup. Therefore, the team won two cups in the same year.

- Dedebit once again in 2003 won the Under-17 Annual Regional Championship in Addis Ababa. And won the Addis Ababa Cup.
- In addition to this regular competition, it contended with 10 junior teams Under-15 and snatched the cup in that same year.
- In 2005 Dedebit was recognized as a club by the Addis Ababa sports Commission. The club therefore took part in the Annual Regional 1st Division Competition and succeeded in getting the required point to pass to the region's Higher Division.
- The year 2006 was that of multiple victories to Dedebit as it won the Addis Ababa Higher Division Championship Cup thus representing the Region at the country-wide Regional Club Championship held in Hawasa and clinched the cup and was promoted to the National League and Finally;
- In 2009 Dedebit Football Club successfully joined the premier league and mission has been accomplished. Dedebit is an Ethiopian football club with a mission.