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Advocacy for Player's Rights

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE!**Call for Urgent Resolution of Disputes Affecting the 2026/27 FKF Premier League**

The **Kenya Footballers Welfare Association (KEFWA)** notes with serious concern the continued uncertainty surrounding the commencement of the 2026/27 FKF Premier League season arising from ongoing disputes concerning the composition of the league. KEFWA respects the legal right of every party to seek judicial redress.

However, the uncertainty is placing our members in an untenable position, with direct implications on their livelihoods, contractual obligations, career progression and general welfare. Players should not be required to bear the consequences of institutional or regulatory disputes over which they have no control.

The wider dispute concerning the application and implementation of promotion and relegation regulations, also raises legitimate questions regarding regulatory certainty and the processes through which decisions affecting clubs and players are made and implemented. KEFWA is particularly concerned about the reputational consequences for Kenyan football. A professional league must be governed by rules that are clear, consistently applied and capable of withstanding legal scrutiny.

Prolonged uncertainty over league composition and fixtures risks undermining the confidence of stakeholders while calling into question the stability of our league.

KEFWA therefore calls upon all parties to pursue an expeditious and lawful resolution of the pending disputes, with due regard to the interests and rights of players as primary stakeholders in the game.

We further call for the conclusion and formalization of FKF and KEFWA MoU establishing a clear framework for consultation, cooperation and player representation. Such an agreement is necessary to provide institutional clarity and ensure that matters affecting players are addressed through an appropriate and predictable mechanism.

KEFWA remains committed to constructive engagement with FKF and all relevant stakeholders towards ensuring that Kenyan football operates within a framework founded on legal certainty, procedural fairness, contractual protection, good governance and respect for players' welfare.

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