



**Government of Sierra Leone
Ministry of Sports
(MOS)**

**EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES OF THE
MINISTER OF SPORTS; “**MADAM
AUGUSTA JAMES-TEIMA**” IN THE
MINISTRY OF SPORTS.**

7th Edition

FEBRUARY, 2024

On the 7th February, 2024

"Football is taking the lead in enhancing Government's Five Game Changers" - Sports Minister

"Football is taking the lead in enhancing Government's Five Game Changers, including feeding Sierra Leone, human capital development, and youth employment," says Minister of Sports Madam Augusta James-Teima.

She was speaking at the launch of the FIFA Football for Schools (F4S) program in Makeni on Wednesday.

The program aims at making the sport more accessible to boys and girls across Sierra Leone by including football activities into the country's school system.

"We as a government are looking forward to having more facilities, especially job opportunities for young people. Today, the specialist behind there will not only be teaching in the schools but probably come out in the afternoon to give extra trainings to our little kids because there is so much we have to do when we catch them young.

"This project will have a positive effect on Sierra Leone as well as the players. These kids will grow up to be physically, mentally, emotionally, economically, and socially developed. Therefore, it is very important that football is emphasised at school level where players are caught at a very young age and allowed to become lifelong players

and understand everything about football, eventually sustaining the sport itself.

"Government is very much committed to the growth of Sports in line with other Ministries, and we are working assiduously in putting modalities in place to enhance the participation of football in this country because this sport has been a fundamental instrument in solving social problems facing society.

"Sport is life, it is expensive but if we put ourselves together, it will make Sierra Leone a developed nation. It is because the SLFA is sober, that is why we are getting all of these projects."

Madam James-Teima ended by promising to continue working with the Minister of Basic Education to train the kids for the future, saying they will make sure that what is given for sport in schools is being used for sport exclusively.

From Super Duper Alex Lansana Claye (Di General) (ALC) Di Pa N Di Mammy E Yai
👁️👁️ On Sports (MoS Media Team). Stay blessed

8:45 pm



WEEKLY UPDATES FROM THE OFFICE OF THE SPORTS MINISTER

Monday 5th February, 2024

● Minister of Sports, Madam Augusta James-Teima held a meeting with the National Sports Authority's Executive Director Dr. Kenneth Brima and Director of Sustainable Sports Steven Kelfala as they talked on the trailers of athletes for the All African Games this March in Accra, Ghana.

Tuesday 6th February, 2024

● Sports Ambassador Charlie Jr. Bio visited the Minister of Sports to update her on developmental projects for some sporting associations

Wednesday 7th February, 2024

● Madam Minister, Augusta James-Teima and team made a special trip to Makeni to witness the launch of the SLFA/FIFA Football For School Program at the Wusum Stadium.

Thursday 8th February, 2024

● President of Sierra Leone Karate Association, Victor Amara paid a visit to Madam Minister to update her on their pending international tournament to be hosted in Freetown.

● Madam Minister met with the Sierra Leone Cycling Association President Mohamed CD Kamara on issues concerning the association.

Friday 9th February, 2024

● Madam Minister held a meeting with the NSA Boss Dr. Kenneth Brima on pending issues surrounding the Bo Mini Stadium.

● Local Committee members for the All African Games updated Madam Minister on achievements made so far in terms of preparations.

● National Olympic Committee President, Prince Vandy Sualley and team met with Madam Minister concerning their land issue.

From Super Duper Alex Lansana Claye (ALC) (Di General) Di Pa N Di Mammy E Yai 🙏🙏 on Sports (MoS Media Team) Stay blessed

8:04 pm



Minister of Sports Madam Augusta James-Teima, together with the Ministry's Secretary Mary Musu Thornton, left the shores of Sierra Leone in the early hours of Wednesday 14th February, 2024 for Turkey. Madam Minister will attend a summit for Sports Ministers with regards traditional games and sports in Africa and other countries around the world. More updates to follow later...Frm Super Duper Alex Lansana Claye (ALC) (Di General) Di Pa N Di Mammy E Yai 🙏🙏 on Sports.(MoS Media Team). Stay blessed.

6:08 am



On 17th & 18th February, 2024

Bishop House Under Renovation

The Ministry of Sports over the weekend commenced the renovation project of the Bishop House building in Freetown.

The Minister and management of the Ministry decided to change the roof from the ancient version to a modern one.

Painting of the entire building, both inside and outside, is also ongoing.

Changing of furniture and facilities in the offices of the Minister and Deputy have taking place. The newly converted conference hall will also be furnished.

When the renovation is complete, Bishop House will have a new facelift with modern looks.

Special thanks to the Minister of Sports, Madam Augusta James-Teima and team for this infrastructural development.

From Super Duper Alex Lansana Claye (ALC) (Di General) Di Pa N Di Mammy E Yai 🙏🙏 on Sports (MoS Media Team) Stay blessed

11:34 pm ✓



On 24th February, 2024



Minister Of Sports Madam Augusta James-Teima Today Joined World Hope International To Celebrate With Children With Disability At Lumley Beach. More Updates Later. From Super Duper Alex Lansana Claye (ALC)(Di General) Di Pa N Di Mammy E Yai 🙏🙏 on Sports(MoS Media Team) Stay blessed.

11:33 pm



Minister of Sports Madam Augusta James-Teima on Saturday 24th February, officially declared the West Africa Commonwealth Karate and Mano River Union Championship Tournament Opened at Bintumani International Conference Centre, Aberdeen. More updates later. Frm Super Duper Alex Lansana Claye (ALC)(Di General) Di Pa N Di Mammy E Yai 🙏🙏 on Sports (MoS Media Team). Stay blessed

6:50 am

WEEKLY UPDATES FROM THE OFFICE OF THE SPORTS MINISTER

Tuesday 20th February, 2024

Executive members from Sierra Leone Cycling Association held a meeting with the Director of Sports, Haroun Mustapha Korjie (representing Madam Minister), to settle issues concerning some Executive members.

Wednesday 21st February, 2024

Minister of Sports Madam Augusta James-Teima and Secretary Mary Musu Thornton returned home safe and sound from Turkey.

The two factions from the Sierra Leone Table Tennis Association met with the Director of Sports Haroun Mustapha Korgi (representing Madam Minister) to confirm the names of the athletes that will make the trip to Accra, Ghana for the All African Games in March this year.

Thursday 22nd February, 2024

Madam Minister resumed work after her trip from Turkey.

Head of the Chinese Technical team Boson Wan and the Stadium Manager Paul Dambulav met with Madam Minister to

update her on the rehabilitation work at the Siaka Stevens Stadium.

NSA Boss Dr Kenneth Brima, Director of Sustainable Sports Steven Kelfala, and Permanent Secretary Joseph T Kany, updated Madam Minister on activities and issues whilst she was away.

Local Committee for the All African Games met with Madam Minister to update her on developments so far concerning the All African Games.

Friday 23rd February, 2024

Madam Minister joined colleague Ministers at the launch of the Victims of Human Trafficking Trust Fund by the First Lady H.E Dr Fatima Maada Bio at the City Hall.

Madam Minister and team paid a visit to the Ministry of Finance to do follow-up on travelling documents with regards financial support.

Saturday 24th February, 2024

Madam Minister joined Members of World Hope International to celebrate their yearly outing with children with disability at Lumley Beach.

Minister of Sports Madam Augusta James-Teima witnessed the official launch of the West Africa Commonwealth Karate and the Mano River Union Championship ongoing at Bintumani International Conference Centre, Aberdeen.

From Super Duper Alex Lansana Claye (ALC) (Di General) Di Pa N Di Mammy E Yai 🙏🙏
on Sports (MoS Media Team) Stay blessed

7:17 pm



Sports Minister opens Mano River Union Karate Championship, reiterates government's continued support to sports

The Minister of Sports, Madam Augusta James-Teima, over the weekend launched the West Africa Commonwealth Karate Federation and the Mano River Union Championship at Bintumani International Conference Centre in Freetown.

Sierra Leone, Ghana, Guinea, Senegal, and Liberia all participated in the competition, with hosts Sierra Leone taking first position grabbing the highest gold medals, followed by Guinea and Liberia respectively.

Madam James-Teima was happy to witness such a laudable venture, which she described as 'very much noteworthy'. The Minister emphasised the essence of having such competition. "It is no mistake at all to host it in Sierra Leone," she pointed out.

She went on to say that: "As I sit here watching the strengths, kicks, and actions, I believe it would push physical, emotional, social, and economic development.

"Today, we are here to witness a very important stage in the development of Karate, and also form a Secretariat in the Mano River Union for Karate as well as making sure that the sport becomes something to reckon with in English speaking countries.

"I therefore, want to congratulate you [families of Karate] for making this venture a success. I also want to congratulate the Karate Association in Sierra Leone for taking the honours of hosting such a very important event.

"I commend the Executive Director of National Sports Authority [Dr. Kenneth Brima]. I always give him the support. We supervise them, and we've been working together to develop the game in Sierra Leone."

Minister of Sports, Madam Augusta James-Teima, however, called on the organisers to allow female Karatekas to also demonstrate their skills in future events, stressing that they should be working side by side with the men. "We are living in a world where gender parity is a must, and we should be giving opportunities to women to showcase their potential."

Before launching the Secretariat, Madam Minister congratulated the newly formed Executive of the Mano River Union Karate Federation, complimenting Sierra Leone for occupying the Presidency. "I am very much confident that you are going to perform according to expectations. Therefore, I want to wish you all very well in all your endeavours."

"You will never be forgotten. We'll always open doors to your association. In fact, the President has been the most frequent guest

in my office to relay their plans. Continue the upward trend. I thank all the countries present here today, and your safety here is our priority," she ended.

Other dignitaries were present at the ceremony, including the British High Commissioner to Sierra Leone, Lisa Chesney MBE.

Frm Super Duper Alex Lansana Claye (ALC) (Di General) Di Pa N Di Mammy E Yai on Sports (MoS Media Team). Stay blessed



Sports Minister gives hope to children living with disabilities

Minister of Sports, Madam Augusta James-Teima, has given hope to children living with disabilities during World Hope International's annual outing for the kids at Lumley Beach.

"As Minister of Sports, I join World Hope to give hope to our children in Sierra Leone. I am not here by mistake because today we are dealing with children living with disabilities. Disability does not mean they do not have the ability," she said.

"I feel sad at times when people see persons with disabilities less important. I say thanks to World Hope International for bringing these children out here today to send a message that we all have a role to play to make them belong in whatever we do.

Addressing the parents, Madam James-Teima said some ignore or neglect their children because of their disabilities. "This is wrong. As long as God has given them the opportunity to exist, they have a big role to play, even within the family."

"These children here have something in them which we can develop to give them a better life and help society. Some of them are even more intelligent than us.

"So for them to feel important, we have to take care of them. I am happy to be part of

take care of them. I am happy to be part of this year's occasion. Even in sports, they have their own events. So we have to allow them to showcase their talents."

She ended by thanking God for the programme and prayed for World Hope International to have more support and facilities for the children to learn and socialise more.

From Super Duper Alex Lansana Claye (ALC) (Di General) Di Pa N Di Mammy E Yai 🙏🙏 on Sports (MoS Media Team). Stay blessed



On 27th February, 2024



Minister of Sports, Madam Augusta James-Teima Today Attended Her First Public Press Conference Since Taking Up Office As First Female Minister Of Sports In Sierra Leone. The WEEKLY PRESS BRIEFING Was Organized By The Ministry Of Information And Civic Education At The Ministry Of Foreign Affairs Conference Hall At Tower Hill. More Updates Later. Frm Super Duper Alex Lansana Claye (ALC) (Di General) Di Pa N Di Mammy E Yai 🙏🙏 on Sports (MoS Media Team) Stay blessed

9:25 pm

Sports Minister Updates Sierra Leoneans About Her Ministry's Activities

Minister of Sports, Augusta James-Teima, last Tuesday attended her inaugural public press conference since assuming office as Sierra Leone's first Female Minister of Sports.

The WEEKLY PRESS BRIEFING, organized by the Ministry of Information and Civic Education, took place at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs' Conference Hall, Tower Hill, Freetown.

When asked by the host, Imran Silla, about her plans for developing the Ministry, Minister James-Teima expressed gratitude for the opportunity and acknowledged President H.E Julius Maada Bio's confidence in her abilities.

She provided a comprehensive update on ongoing developmental projects aimed at bolstering the sports basket fund, benefiting associations aligned with national ranking standards. These initiatives would enable eligible associations to receive government funding.

In terms of infrastructure, Minister James-Teima emphasized the Ministry's commitment to modernizing facilities to cater to various sports, with a focus on renovating existing structures such as the Siaka Stevens Stadium.

She commended the Sierra Leone Football Association (SLFA) for its contribution to constructing artificial turfs in several regions.

Furthermore, she outlined plans to conduct workshops and seminars in April 2024 to clarify the roles and responsibilities of the Ministry and National Sports Authority (NSA) staff in enhancing organizational structure and performance.

Madam Minister added that discussions with NSA authorities are underway to engage corporate entities, highlighting the mutual benefits of supporting sports as part of their corporate social responsibility.

Minister James-Teima stressed the importance of collective efforts from stakeholders, including the Ministry of Sports, NSA, National Olympic Committee (NOC), and SLFA, in realizing success in sports development.

She also urged active participation in initiatives such as the "Feed Salone" program, emphasizing the significance of self-sustainability within the sports community.

Addressing sports journalists, she emphasized collaboration and mutual support for advancing sports development in the country.

She expressed gratitude to the Ministry of Information and Civic Education for the invitation, reaffirming her commitment to partnership in national development.

Notable guests at the press conference included Asmaa James, Former Women's Premier League Board Chairlady, and Victor Lewis, Premier League Board Chairman.

From Super Duper Alex Lansana Claye(ALC)
(Di General)Di Pa N Di Mammy E Yai 🙏🙏
on Sports(MoS Media Team)

11:38 pm



WEEKLY UPDATES FROM THE OFFICE OF THE SPORTS MINISTER

Monday 26th February, 2024

- Madam Minister visited the Ministry of Finance to follow up on financial support documents for the All African Games.
- She witnessed the signing of Sports Policy documents between various Associations and NSA at the Authority's office.
- Deputy Executive Director NSA, Abdul Rahman Swaray, bade farewell to Madam Minister Augusta James-Teima as he proceeds on one-year study leave out of the country.
- Madam Minister paid a special visit to the Ministry of Lands to follow up on NOC-SL and Cricket Association land issues.
- Prince Kaitugay from SLTA met with Madam Minister to update her on the latest developments concerning their athletes' participation in the All African Games.

Tuesday 27th February, 2024

- Madam Minister attended her first public press conference since assuming office as the first Female Minister of Sports in Sierra

Leone. The press briefing was organized by the Ministry of Information and Civic Education at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs Conference Hall at Tower Hill.

Wednesday 28th February, 2024

- Madam Minister and team made a follow-up visit to the Ministry of Finance concerning financial support documents, etc.

Thursday 29th February, 2024

- Madam Minister visited the NOC-SL office at Walpole Street to familiarize herself with the staff.
- Tug of War and Mass Wrestling Associations' executive paid a visit to Madam Minister to update her on their pending competitions in the coming months.

Friday 1st March, 2024

- Madam Minister held a special meeting with staff within the Ministry to address certain issues.
- The executive of the Boxing Association, headed by the Secretary-General Alhaji Komba, presented a proposed document to Madam Minister Augusta James-Teima. The purpose is to stage a national championship and international bout scheduled for the 26th

to 27th April 2024.

- Team Salone will depart for Accra, Ghana, on Thursday 7th March, 2024, to represent Sierra Leone at the 13th All African Games slated from the 8th to 23rd March 2024.

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Secretary General of the Boxing Association Presents Proposal to Minister of Sports

On Friday, March 1st, 2024, the executive members of the Boxing Association, led by Secretary General Alhaji Komba, presented a proposed document to the Minister of Sports, Madam Augusta James-Teima, at her office in Bishop House, Freetown. The purpose of the proposal is to organize both a national championship and an international bout.

Secretary General Alhaji Komba, in his opening statement, expressed regret that circumstances beyond their control prevented the tournament from taking place in Bo last year. However, after thorough consultations among the executive members, it was decided to stage the tournament on April 26th and 27th, 2024, at Lumley Beach.

Sheka Mansaray, a member of the team, provided an overview of the proposed project before handing it over.

In response, Madam Minister expressed gratitude for the continuous pursuit of developmental projects by the Boxing Association, one of the 49 sporting associations she holds in high regard. She emphasized the importance of such initiatives for the overall development of sports in the country and assured her support for genuine projects aligned with the government's expectations.

She encouraged the association to await her review of the document and promised to collaborate on marketing strategies for sponsorship, acknowledging the need for financial support from the government. Madam Minister also urged the association to address internal issues to ensure unity, especially considering the participation of foreign boxers in the upcoming tournament.

She thanked Sheka and the team for their efforts and pledged to work with the National Sports Authority Executive Members to fulfil the association's aspirations.

From Super Duper Alex Lansana Claye (ALC)
(Di General) (Di Pa N Di Mammy E Yai 🏆🏆
on Sports (MoS Media Team)

6:50 am



Minister of Sports Urges Athletes to Shine at All African Games

On Monday, March 4th, 2024, Madam Augusta James-Teima, the Minister of Sports, appealed to all athletes participating in the All African Games in Accra, Ghana, to give their utmost during the 15-day competition.

"You are representing the entire nation as ambassadors, and the expectations are high. This is not merely participation; we expect positive results," she emphasized.

"With the government investing significantly in sports, athletes are urged to make the nation proud by excelling in their respective events and proudly hoisting the Green, White, and Blue flag during the competition.

"As your Minister of Sports, I have full confidence in each one of you. Stay focused, disciplined, and heed the guidance of your coaches. Adhere strictly to anti-doping regulations, as what you consume matters," she advised.

Reassuring support, she stated, "The President, H.E JMB, the Government, Sports Authorities, and the entire nation stand firmly behind you.

"Go forth and bring home the Gold, Silver, and Bronze medals for Mama Salone. Good luck, and may you be blessed," she concluded.



Team Salone Lands in Ghana for All African Games

Today, Team Salone's delegation arrived in Accra, Ghana, gearing up for the 13th Edition of the All African Games scheduled from March 8th to 23rd, 2024.

The delegation, led by Steven Kelfala, Director of Sustainable Sports at NSA, included Honorable Hindolo Moiwo Gavao, Chairman of the Parliamentary Oversight Sports Committee, Joseph T. Kany, Permanent Secretary in the Ministry of Sports, Dr. Contor from the Anti-Doping Authority, Joseph Nyande, Secretary General of NOC-SL, Charlie Bio Jr., Sports Ambassador, and Fayia, among others, alongside sports journalists.

Upon arrival, the athletes were swiftly ushered to the Games Village to join their fellow teammates from Freetown, while officials were escorted to their designated hotels.

The official opening ceremony for the 13th Edition of the All African Games is set to captivate audiences on Friday, March 8th, 2024.

Stay tuned for further updates.

From Super Duper Alex Lansana Claye (ALC) (Di General)

9:19 pm





Accra Hosts Spectacular 13th All African Games Opening Ceremony

The 13th African Games kicked off with a vibrant and colorful opening ceremony that captivated audiences worldwide.

Taking place at the University of Ghana Stadium on Friday, March 8, the event showcased sports officials and athletes proudly donning their respective country colors, representing nations from Ghana to Sierra Leone, Tunisia to South Africa, Burundi, and beyond.

Athletes from all participating countries made a symbolic grand entrance, highlighting the diversity and unity of the African continent.

Addressing the gathering, Ghana's President, Nana Akufo-Addo, emphasized that the 13th African Games symbolize a celebration of unity, sportsmanship, and excellence across Africa.

The opening ceremony was further enhanced by dazzling performances from top Ghanaian musicians, including Dancehall artist Shatta Wale, King Promise, and South African sensation Kamo Mphela, among others.

By Super Duper Alex Lansana Claye, Di Pa N Di Mammy E Yai 🙏🙏 on Sports (MoS Media Team) in Accra, Ghana. Stay blessed

"We are Determined and Well Prepared for the All African Games" - Athletes

Upon our arrival in Accra, Ghana, I had the opportunity to speak with some of the athletes who will be participating in the upcoming African Games. Their determination and focus were palpable, as they all echoed the same sentiments.

They expressed, "We are determined, well-focused, and well-prepared both mentally and physically for the events. This time, we are poised to make a difference by achieving excellent results."

"We aspire to etch our names in the Guinness Book of Records within the international sports community by winning medals. We aim to make our fellow Sierra Leoneans proud, including our President, H.E. JMB, and his government, who have generously invested in sports. We appeal to our people to pray for us during the competition. Your prayers will be invaluable to us."

From Super Duper Alex Lansana
Claye, Di Pa N Di Mammy E Yai 🦋

🦋 on Sports (MoS Media Team) in
Accra, Ghana. Stay blessed

9:12 am



All-Africa Games: Sierra Leone Participates in African Union Sports Council Meeting

The African Union Sports Council Special Technical Committee Meeting on Youth, Culture, and Sports convened on March 9th, 2024, at the Movenpick Ambassador Hotel in Accra, Ghana. The meeting saw the attendance of key figures including Mr. Joseph Techman Kany, Permanent Secretary of the Ministry of Sports, and Steven Keifala, Director of Participation and Sustainable Sports, NSA.

The primary focus of the meeting centered on deliberation on the presentation from the African Union Sport Council Advisory Board. The Board proposed Egypt as the country that meets the standard to host the 14th Edition of the Africa Games in 2027, following the withdrawal of DR Congo's bid. Additionally, discussions revolved around the preparation for the African Games 2027 and beyond, encompassing its roadmap for future events.

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Subsequently, the Ministers of Sports from the participating African countries convened in the afternoon to review and approve the various recommendations put forward by the Special Technical Committee. Egypt emerged as the chosen host for the 2027 African Games, while Accra was officially designated as the Sport City for 2024.

It was agreed as part of the recommendation that guidelines should be developed to ensure African countries that host the African Games are automatically declared the City of African Sports after hosting. This recommendation came as an acknowledgement and encouragement for the huge investment undertaken to host the African Games.

From Super Duper Alex Lansana Claye (ALC) (Di General) Di Pa N Di Mammy E Yai 🗨️

🗨️ On Sports (MoS Media Team) In Accra, Ghana. Stay blessed.

9:46 pm

Sierra Leone's Chief Minister Inspires Athletes at All African Games in Ghana

In a stirring address to Sierra Leonean athletes competing at the All African Games in Ghana, Chief Minister Dr. David Moinina Sengh emphasized the often overlooked sacrifices made by athletes in their pursuit of excellence.

"Many people don't understand the sacrifice you put to train, take care of your bodies and support each other," Dr. Sengh remarked, acknowledging the dedication of the athletes.

Expressing pride in the representation of Sierra Leonean sports, the Chief Minister commended the LABRUM partnership as a testament to national pride. "It's a really good thing for our country because you are representing a Sierra Leonean brand which is good," he noted.

He extended gratitude to the Ministry of Sports, National Sports Authority and other stakeholders for facilitating the athletes' participation, while also expressing his personal admiration for their endeavors. "If I had my way, I would have done sport," he confessed.

President Julius Maada Bio conveyed his best wishes to the athletes, urging them to represent the nation with distinction. "President Bio sent his regards and hopes that you guys will represent us well by



winning some medals," Dr. Sengh conveyed.

Acknowledging the challenges and constraints faced by athletes, the CM pledged continued support and efforts to address these issues. "We will continue to support you. There would be challenges and constraints, but let's use them to get better," he encouraged.

Emphasizing inclusivity, Dr. Sengh affirmed the government's commitment to ensuring opportunities for all, regardless of background. "We want to make sure everyone is given the opportunity to participate, represent Sierra Leone, and hopefully be successful," he affirmed.

Drawing inspiration from the Minister of Sports, Madam Augusta James-Teima, Dr. Sengh encouraged athletes to envision themselves in positions of leadership. "You should be seeing yourselves in her because that's the same path you are taking. That's a possibility," he asserted.

In a final reflection, the Chief Minister dispelled the misconception of sports as a realm reserved for dropouts, highlighting the presence of sports personalities in high government positions. "Sport is not a sector for dropouts," he declared.

With heartfelt gratitude and well wishes, Dr. Sengh concluded, "I want to thank you all, and I wish you good luck."



All African Games: Sierra Leone's Results for Sunday 10th March, 2024

Swimming:

- Moses Sahr Yongai: Men's 50m Butterfly
- 1st Heat, Lane 2
- 1st Position: 29.82 sec. (Out of 6 countries)
- Age: 17 years old
- Joshua Wyse: Men's 50m Butterfly
- 2nd Heat, Lane 7
- 5th Position: 28.70 sec. (Out of 8 countries)

Table Tennis:

- Salone v Ivory Coast: 0 - 3
- Sawyer vs Dosso B Moussar Beresford
- Uganda vs Salone: 3 - 0
- Senyonga vs Koroma Jonathan, Dosso B Moussar Beresford vs Emanuel Joseph

Volleyball:

- Men's:
- 1st Game: Salone defeated Kenya
- 1st Game: Morocco v Salone
- 1st set: 21 - 14
- 2nd set: 21 - 18
- Women's:
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Karate:

- Out of 24 countries that participated, Sierra Leone took 9th position
- Previous ranking: Last All African Games - 15th position
- Current ranking: 9th position

All African Games: Sierra Leone's Results for Monday 11th March, 2024:

Aquatics

- **Back Stroke 50m**
- Ibrahim Kamara Heat 1/4
- **Result:** 3rd Position, 36:41sec.
- **Note:** Out of 3 countries that participated

Beach Volleyball

- **Men**
- **The Gambia vs Sierra Leone**
- Score:
- Game 1: The Gambia 15 - 21 Sierra Leone
- Game 2: The Gambia 20 - 22 Sierra Leone
- **Venue:** Laboma Beach Volleyball Court
- **Women**
- **Botswana vs Sierra Leone**
- **Time:** 9:00am (Postponed to the same venue)
- **Venue:** Laboma Beach Volleyball Court

Weightlifting

- **Kalilu Bangura**
- **Result:** Initially placed 3rd, but came 4th due to weight tiebreaker rule.

From Super Duper Alex Lansana Claye (ALC) (Di General) Di Pa N Di Mammy E Yai 🙏

🙏 on Sports (MoS Media Team) in Accra, Ghana. Stay blessed.

6:37 am

All African Games: Sierra Leone's Results for Tuesday 12th March, 2024:

Aquatics

- **Breast Stroke 50m**
- Ibrahim Kamara Heat 1/4
- **Result:** 2nd Position, 37: 10sec.
- **Note:** Out of 3 countries that participated

Beach Volleyball

- **Women**
- **Botswana vs Sierra Leone**
- Score:
- Game 1: Botswana - 12 Sierra Leone 21
- Game 2: Botswana - 17 Sierra Leone 21

Game 3: Mozambique 21 Sierra Leone 17

Game 4: Mozambique 21 Sierra Leone 11

- **Venue:** Laboma Beach Volleyball Court
- **Men**
- **will Be In Action on Wed.**
- **Time:** 9:00am
- **Venue:** Laboma Beach Volleyball Court

*Cycling

Finish Today (More updates later)

*Judo

*Salone Fighters Fail to qualify for quarter final

All African Games: Sierra Leone's Results for Wednesday 13th March, 2024

Aquatics

Joshua Wyse

- **Event:** Men's 50m Freestyle
- **Lane:** 7
- **Time:** 27.07
- **Position:** 7th
- **Countries:** Sierra Leone, Benin, Libya, Mauritius, Sudan, Djibouti, Zambia, Congo Democratic

Moses Sahr Yongai

- **Event:** Men's 200m Individual Medley
- **Heat:** 3 of 3
- **Lane:** 1
- **Time:** 2:58.48
- **Position:** 7th
- **Countries:** Sierra Leone, Nigeria, Egypt, Algeria, South Africa, Seychelles

Moses Sahr Yongai

- **Event:** Men's 50m Freestyle
- **Heat:** 1 of 7
- **Lane:** 5
- **Time:** 28.19
- **Position:** 1st
- **Countries:** Sierra Leone, Gabon, Central Africa Republic, Congo Democratic

Beach Volleyball

Sierra Leone vs Senegal

- **Result:** Sierra Leone won by two sets to one (Quarter Final)
- **Scores:**
 - 21-15
 - 13-21
 - 15-9

Sierra Leone vs South Africa

- **Result:** South Africa won by two sets to one (Semi Final)
- **Scores:**
 - 17-21
 - 21-18
 - 7-15

Third Placed Match: Sierra Leone vs Botswana

- **Date:** Thursday 14th March 2024
- **Venue:** Laboma Beach Volleyball
- **Time:** Morning Hours

From Super Duper Alex Lansana Claye (ALC)

(Di General) Di Pa N Di Mammy E Yai 🙌

🙌 On Sports (MoS Media Team) In Accra Ghana. AKWAABA.

11:55 pm



Minister of Sports celebrates with senior male beach volleyball players

After defeating Gambia's Senior National Male Beach Volleyball Team two sets to zero in the ongoing All African Games taking place in Accra, Ghana, Minister of Sports Madam Augusta James-Teima joined the celebrations with Sierra Leone's Male Beach Volleyball team.

Yesterday, they secured another victory by defeating the Kenyan National Male Team two sets to zero at the Laboma Beach Volleyball Court. Before the start of the match, Madam Minister spoke to the players, appealing to them to give their best during the match and bring a victory for Mama Salone. She expressed her confidence in the team, stating, "I have no doubt in you. You can make the difference. Good luck."

According to reports received, they have already qualified for the quarter-final stage. Among the witnesses to the match were the Parliamentary Oversight Committee on Sports Chairman Hon. Gavao, President of Sierra Leone Volleyball Federation Ahmed Khanou and many others.

Congratulations, Boys!!

From Super Alex Lansana Claye (Di Pa N Mammy E Yai 🙌🙌 On Sports (MoS Media Team) In Accra, Ghana. Akwaaba.

10:44 pm

Sierra Leone Celebrates Big Turnout at All African Games

Dr. Kenneth Brima, head of the National Sports Authority (NSA), is thrilled about the large number of Sierra Leonean athletes taking part in the All African Games in Accra, Ghana. He praised the effort that led to including 14 different sports, which is a big achievement for the country.

"This is the first time Sierra Leone has had 14 sports in these Games," Dr. Brima said, showing how much progress the nation has made in supporting a wide range of sports.

The NSA Boss gave credit to President Dr. Julius Maada Bio, who loves sports, for supporting the athletes' participation. He stressed how the government worked hard to make it possible for them to compete for medals.

Directly speaking to the athletes, Dr. Brima encouraged them to aim for excellence and bring home glory. "We expect you to try your best to win medals for the country," he said, pointing out how important it is for Sierra Leone's sports future.

He reminded the athletes of Sierra Leone's love for sports and past success in international competitions. He urged them to uphold the nation's reputation and make their fellow citizens proud.

Dr. Brima thanked important people like the President of the National Olympic Committee, Prince Sualley, coaches, and athletes for their hard work and representation, recognizing their role in lifting Sierra Leone's sports profile.

He also mentioned that if the athletes perform well, more sports associations could participate in the next Games, showing how success can lead to growth in Sierra Leone's sports community.

Sierra Leone's involvement in the All African Games shows its strength in sports and its commitment to excellence on the world stage.

From Super Alex Lansana Claye (Di Pa N Mammy E Yai 🐼🐼 on Sports (MoS Media Team) In Accra, Ghana. Akwaaba. 5:36 am



Dynamic Female National Beach Volleyball Team's Journey at All African Games Ends

Our dynamic female national beach volleyball team embarked on their journey at the All African Games with high hopes and determination. They showcased their skills in their second match this morning against the Botswana Female National Beach Volleyball Team, clinching victory with a stellar performance of two sets to zero.

However, their momentum was challenged later in the afternoon when they faced off against the formidable Mozambique Female National Team. Despite putting up a valiant effort, they unfortunately lost the match by two sets to zero. Despite their loss, their performance was commendable, but luck was not on their side.

Regrettably, this loss marks the end of their journey at the All African Games in Ghana.

We extend our gratitude to all who contributed towards their preparation and participation in the competition.

The matches were witnessed by esteemed personalities including the Minister of Sports, Madam Augusta James-Teima, NSA Boss Dr. Kenneth Brima, Parliamentary Sports Chairman Honorable Hindolo Moiwo Gavao, NOC President Prince Vandy Sualley, Sports Ambassador Charlie Jr. Bio, Volleyball Federation President Ahmed Khanou, Steven Kelfala Director of Sustainable Sports



Sierra Leone & Botswana Set to Battle for Third Place

In the ongoing All African Games in Accra, Ghana, our national male beach volleyball team triumphed over Senegal's team in the quarterfinals this morning, winning by two sets to one and securing a spot in the semifinals. However, they faced a tough challenge against South Africa later in the afternoon and were defeated by two sets to one.

On Thursday, March 14, 2024, our national male beach volleyball team will face Botswana's team for the third-place match, competing for the bronze medals.

The players are earnestly requesting the support and prayers of the people of Sierra Leone. With faith in God, they believe that anything is possible.

When asked about their determination for the upcoming match, the players expressed their unwavering commitment. They stated, "Mr. Claye, tomorrow's match is our final chance in this competition. We are fully prepared, focused, and determined to win the bronze medal. With God's grace, we will succeed and bring joy to Mama Salone, our hardworking President H.E Julius Maada Bio, and the sports authorities."

From Super Duper Alex Lansana Claye (ALC) (Di General) Di Pa N Mammy E Yai 🧐🧐 on Sports (MoS Media Team) In Accra Ghana.



Sierra Leone National Men's Beach Volleyball Team Suffers Defeat to Botswana

On Thursday, March 14th, 2024, the Sierra Leone National Men's Beach Volleyball Team faced a challenging match against the Botswana National Men's Beach Volleyball Team at the Laboma Beach Volleyball Court in the ongoing All African Games in Accra, Ghana.

Unfortunately, Sierra Leone lost the match with a score of 2-0, securing Botswana's victory in the third-place match.

Expressing his sentiments about the match, the team captain Ahmed Junior Aruna lamented the unfortunate outcome, stating, "We gave our all to secure a win, but circumstances did not favour us. Yesterday marked one of the most difficult moments in my career as an international beach volleyball player."

The team acknowledges the disappointment of failing to clinch the Bronze Medal for their country and their President, H.E JMB. Despite this setback, they view it as a learning experience and are committed to addressing their shortcomings and regrouping for future international beach volleyball tournaments.

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Taking full responsibility, the captain extends apologies to the people of Sierra Leone for falling short of their expectations. He assures them that the team will bounce back stronger and strive to bring glory to their nation in upcoming competitions.

Witnessing the third-place match were esteemed individuals including former NOC President, Dr. Patrick Coker, Permanent Secretary Joseph T Kany from the Ministry of Sports, Director of Sustainable Sports Steven Kelfala from the NSA, NOC Secretary-General Joseph Nyande, past and present Chef De Mission Unisa Deen Kargbo and Yayah Koroma respectively, former EE Lions player Atto Mensa, and President of the SLVB Federation Ahmed Khanou.

In other news, Minister of Sports Madam Augusta James-Teima and her team departed on Wednesday Ghana to participate in an international program in Monrovia, Liberia, and attend the funeral service of the late Madam DEEN-JALLOH, sister of President H.E JMB, scheduled for Saturday, March 16th, 2024, in TiHun Bonthe District.

From Super Duper Alex Lansana Claye (ALC)
(Di General) Di Pa N Di Mammy E Yai 🇸🇪
🇸🇪 on Sports (MoS Media Team) In Accra,
Ghana. AKWAABA

12:04 am

All African Games: Sierra Leonean Boxer Wisdom Suffers Defeat Against Botswana's Vomba Due to Eye Injury

In a highly anticipated match at the 57kg Featherweight category, Sierra Leonean boxer Wisdom faced off against Botswana's Vomba in Accra, Ghana. However, the fight took an unexpected turn as Wisdom sustained a significant cut on his right eye, leading to his defeat.

Hailing from the Blue Corner, Wisdom entered the ring with determination, ready to represent his country. Meanwhile, Vomba, fighting from the Red Corner, proved to be a formidable opponent.

Despite his valiant efforts, Wisdom's injury, properly assessed by the boxing medical team, ultimately led to his defeat. The match was closely observed by the President of the Sierra Leone Boxing Association, Solomon D. Kargbo, and the President of the Sierra Leone Taekwondo Association, Oness A. Johnson.

Head Coach Mohamed Lamin Turay expressed pride in Wisdom's performance, emphasizing that this match was the sole opportunity for Wisdom in the competition. He commended Wisdom for fighting bravely despite the unfortunate outcome.

Acknowledgment was extended to the Ghanaian supporters of Wisdom, whose unwavering encouragement during the match was greatly appreciated.

In conclusion, while Wisdom may have lost the fight, he displayed admirable sportsmanship and dedication to representing his country.

From Super Duper Alex Lansana Claye (ALC) (Di General) Di Pa N Di Mammy E Yai 🐯
🐯 On Sports (MoS Media Team) In Accra, Ghana. AKWAABA.

7:50 pm



Sports Minister Receives Pan African Women's Award

Minister of Sports, Madam Augusta James-Teima, has been honoured with the Pan African Women Projects Organization Award during the African Youth Development Entertainment Awards in Liberia, held on Friday.

The event serves as a platform to acknowledge and commend exceptional individuals and initiatives that have made significant contributions to the advancement of Africans across various fields.

Madam James-Teima was one of the 30 Africans recognized at the Ocean Drive Beach Resort in Monrovia. Among them were Senegalese football legend Sadio Mane and Guinean Club Horoya FC President Antonio Souare.

Madam Augusta James-Teima received the award for her outstanding contributions to the sports sector as a teacher, administrator, and Minister.

Expressing her pride in being internationally recognized, the Minister pledged to continue serving Sierra Leone diligently.

From Super Alex Lansana Claye (ALC) (Di General) Di Pa N Di Mammy E Yai 🐯🐯 on Sports (MoS Media Team) in Accra, Ghana. AKWAABA

7:19 am



Head of Chancery at Sierra Leone High Commission in Ghana Encourages Coaches & Athletes

Head of Chancery at Sierra Leone's High Commission in Accra, Ghana, Joseph Spencer Thornton, warmly welcomed Sierra Leonean athletes on behalf of the High Commissioner, embracing Sierra Leone's inclusive spirit. He expressed happiness to see compatriots from the West African nation gathered together.

Thornton spoke about the importance of the 13th Edition of the All African Games hosted in Ghana, expressing excitement and envisioning a future where Sierra Leone could also host such prestigious events. He said, "If Ghana can do it, so can we."

He assured the athletes of the High Commission's strong support, promising to provide them with sustenance to keep their energy up during the games. He encouraged them to use their talents and strive for success.

The HOC highlighted the expertise of Madam Augusta James-Teima, Sierra Leone's Minister of Sports, and encouraged the athletes to learn from her. He urged them to follow her dedication and aspire to leadership roles in the future.

He thanked the officials and noticed the athletes' relaxed attitude compared to previous encounters. Thornton encouraged

them to focus on their own achievements and emphasized the potential for Sierra Leone to excel in sports. "You have the power to lift Sierra Leone to greater heights," he concluded, motivating the athletes to pursue excellence for their country.

From Super Alex Lansana Claye (ALC) (Di General) Di Pa N Di Mammy E Yai 🦋🦋 on Sports (MoS Media Team) in Accra, Ghana. AKWAABA

11:37 pm





52 Nations Celebrated in Vibrant All African Games Flag-Raising Ceremony in Accra

The final flag-raising ceremony for the 52 countries participating in the 13th edition of the All African Games happened on Saturday, March 16th, 2024, at the Games Village. Sierra Leone was one of the countries involved in the ceremony.

Before raising the flags, local authorities from Accra, including the Paramount Chief, the Mayor, and others, performed cultural rituals to honor their ancestors and seek blessings for the competition. The Paramount Chief emphasized the importance of respecting their culture and ancestors, regardless of religious differences.

The ceremony began with the raising of each country's flag accompanied by the national anthem played by a military band. A local member then fired a ceremonial gun.

The Mayor of Accra Hon.Elizabeth Naa Kwatsoe Tawiah Sackey welcomed all 52 countries and presented them with special gifts as a token of appreciation for their participation in the All African Games.

From Super Duper Alex Lansana Claye(ALC)
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🐼 on Sports(MoS Media Team)In Accra.
AKWAABA

6:41 am

Exciting News from the Athletics Family at the All African Games in Accra, Ghana

Georgiana Sesay, a remarkable 400m sprinter, showcased her talent on Tuesday at the University Stadium in Accra, participating in the 400m semi-final heat. With an outstanding performance, she secured her spot in the grand final scheduled for Wednesday, 20th March 2024.

Georgiana clinched the second position in her heat, clocking in at a record time of 52.62 seconds. In a brief interview following her remarkable achievement, when asked about her feelings on finishing second, Georgiana expressed her overwhelming joy, stating that qualifying for the 400m final at the All African Games for the first time was an indescribable moment for her.

She conveyed her gratitude to the people of Sierra Leone and appealed for their support and prayers as she prepares for the final. With unwavering faith in the Almighty, Georgiana expressed her belief that with divine grace, she would emerge victorious and secure a medal in the final event.

We join Georgiana Sesay in her journey with hopeful hearts and extend our best wishes to her for the upcoming final. Let us rally behind her with our prayers and support as she aims for glory on the track.

From Super Duper Alex Lansana Claye (ALC)
(Di General) Di Pa N Di Mammy E Yai 🙏🙏

Tears of Joy as Georgiana Secures Second Place in 400m Semi-final at All African Games

Georgiana Sesay's impressive performance in the 400m heat semi-final at the ongoing All African Games in Accra, Ghana, brought tears of joy to fans. With a recorded time of 52.62 seconds, she has earned a spot in the final race, scheduled for 4.50 today at the University College Stadium.

As she prepares for this crucial event, Georgiana seeks the prayers of Mama Salone for strength, wisdom, divine guidance, and a winning spirit, aiming for a Gold, Silver, or Bronze medal for Sierra Leone. With the support and prayers of her country behind her, Georgiana is poised for success.

Good luck, Georgiana Sesay – the nation of Sierra Leone stands united in prayer and support for your triumph. Stay blessed.

From Super Duper Alex Lansana Claye (ALC)
(Di General) Di Pa N Di Mammy E Yai 🙏🙏
on Sports. AKWAABA

12:08 pm

Georgiana Sesay, the promising Sierra Leonean athlete, showcased her prowess on the track in a thrilling 400m final at the University of Ghana Stadium this evening. Despite finishing in sixth position, her achievement is nothing short of remarkable.

Competing against a field of eight talented athletes, Georgiana clocked in with a record time of 52.49 seconds, leaving a lasting impression on spectators and fellow competitors alike. Her determination and skill were evident throughout the race, as she pushed herself to the limit in pursuit of victory.

Although she didn't clinch the top spot this time, Georgiana's performance is a testament to her dedication and hard work. Her journey to the final race is a commendable feat in itself, reflecting her commitment to excellence in athletics.

As she continues to pursue her dreams on the track, Georgiana's supporters are confident that her moment of triumph will come. With her unwavering spirit and relentless drive, she is destined for greatness in the world of sports.

Congratulations, Georgie, on your outstanding achievement. Keep the home fire burning, and may your future races be filled with even more success and glory. Your fans, including the MoS Media Team in Accra, Ghana, are cheering you on every step of the way.





Tennis: Sierra Finda SANDY and Elena Alice Tiande ASGILL-WHALLEY Shined at All African Games*

Sierra Finda SANDY, and Elena Alice Tiande ASGILL-WHALLEY promising young Sierra Leonean Female Tennis Athletes, displayed exceptional talent at the Female singles and doubles matches of the All African Games in Accra, Ghana.



Despite a narrow loss in the doubles, 10-12 in a super tie-break against Kenya's Angela and Cinthia, their performances were outstanding, highlighting their potential.



Competing against Doubles champion "Angela OKUTOYI" from Kenya at Wimbledon Juniors and challenging her in the match underscores their capability to excel in tennis at the highest level.



Both Sierra and Elena have brought pride to Sierra Leone, and we commend them for representing their country admirably. We pledge our support for their tennis journey and pray for their continued success.



We extend heartfelt thanks to the parents (Mr. Felix Michael Sandy and Mr. Tungie Asgill) in the United States and England respectively, for their steadfast support. The sky is their limit.

- Bravo to Sierra and Elenal
- Bravo to Felix and Tungie!
- True patriots and heroes of Sierra Leone.



Sierra Leone Fighters Face Tough Battles at All African Games Boxing Event

In the latest updates from the All African Games boxing event held at the Bukum Boxing Area in Accra, Ghana, Sierra Leone's representatives, Sarah Joo and Betist Josefien, faced formidable opponents.

On Monday, March 18, 2024, Sarah Joo contested in the ring against Karim Sukurah of Nigeria in the Bantamweight category (54kg). Unfortunately, despite her efforts, Sarah Joo lost the bout.

The following day, Tuesday, March 19, 2024, Betist Josefien from Sierra Leone faced Nahdi Azza of Tunisia. Despite her determination, Betist Josefien was unable to secure victory in her match.

Both fights showcased the competitive spirit and resilience of Sierra Leone's boxing contenders, despite the challenges they encountered.

With these matches marking the conclusion of Sierra Leone's participation in the boxing category at the All African Games, the nation celebrates the efforts and dedication of Sarah Joo and Betist Josefien.

For those interested, a video clip capturing the intense bout between Sarah Joo and Karim Sukurah from Nigeria is available for viewing.



Sierra Leone Taekwondo Team Displays Grit and Determination at All African Games

The journey for the Sierra Leone Taekwondo team has come to an end at the All African Games in Ghana, but it was one filled with valor, determination, and moments of triumph. Despite falling short of medals, the athletes showcased their prowess on the mat, leaving a lasting impression.

George Holland, competing in the -74kg category and seeded #7, opened the campaign with a resounding victory against Mozambique, clinching the match in dominant fashion with a 2-0 scoreline. However, his path to glory was halted in the subsequent match against the formidable #2 seed from Niger. Despite a stellar performance, George narrowly missed out on a medal, as his opponent went on to claim gold in the event.

Trinity Noble, competing in the -62kg category and seeded #5, also displayed remarkable skill and determination. She secured a convincing victory over Chad in her first match, winning 2 rounds to 0. However, fate took an unfortunate turn as she sustained an injury during the bout, forcing her to withdraw from her next match against Tunisia. Despite the setback, Trinity's grit and determination were evident as she fought until the end, falling just one fight short of a medal.



The third athlete from Sierra Leone, Maxwell James Mason, faced a tough challenge in his first fight against Lesotho, ultimately unable to secure victory. Despite the outcome, his dedication to the sport and his country was unwavering.

Throughout the competition, the Sierra Leone team exemplified the spirit of sportsmanship and resilience. Each athlete fought with passion and determination, representing their nation with pride on the international stage.

Despite the results, their efforts have undoubtedly inspired many and left a lasting legacy in the world of Taekwondo. As they reflect on their journey, the Sierra Leone Taekwondo team can hold their heads high, knowing that they gave their all and showcased the true essence of sportsmanship.

Their determination and perseverance serve as a testament to the indomitable spirit of the human athlete.

**From Super Duper Alex Lansana Claye (ALC) (Di General) Di Pa N Di Mammy E Yai 🙏🙏
On Sports (MoS Media) In Accra, Ghana.
AKWAABA!**

8:15 pm



Minister of Sports Commends Athletes for Stellar Performance at All African Games

In a heartfelt message of gratitude, the Minister of Sports, Madam Augusta James-Teima, extended her sincere appreciation to the athletes and their respective Sports Associations for their outstanding performance at the recently concluded All African Games held in Accra, Ghana.

Expressing her admiration for the dedication and hard work demonstrated by the athletes, Madam James-Teima remarked, "Thanks for the work over there in Accra, Ghana for a job well done. I am so impressed and I am thankful to God for everything that happened there."

She emphasized the importance of continuous improvement in the technical aspects of sports and offered her prayers for the athletes' ongoing success.

Reflecting on the spirited display of talent and readiness showcased by every team at the All African Games, the Minister said, "I am so grateful and I see every team at the All African Games tried to do their best and showcased their techniques and readiness to move forward. I am so happy."

She particularly highlighted the remarkable commitment of the tennis players, who selflessly purchased their own tickets to represent their nation, with unwavering

represent their nation, with unwavering support from their parents. Madam Augusta James-Teima extended her best wishes for a safe journey back home to the athletes and all participants, invoking divine protection. "May you all be safe by God's grace."

In a poignant tribute to the athletes' patriotism and sense of true representation, the Minister praised them as "true patriots, heroes with a sense of true representation this time." She expressed confidence in a brighter future for sports in the nation, assuring that "everything will get better as we move on."

Concluding her message, Madam Augusta James-Teima invoked blessings upon all the athletes for their dedicated service to their nation.

The Minister's heartfelt words serve as a testament to the invaluable contributions of athletes in promoting unity, excellence, and national pride through sports.

From Super Duper Alex Lansana Claye (ALC)
(Di General) Di Pa N Di Mammy E Yai 🇸🇪

🇸🇪 on Sports (MoS Media Team) in Accra,
Ghana. AKWAABA

7:55 pm



Ministers Of Sports
Sierra Leone



Sierra Leone: Cycling At All African Games

Sierra Leone's cycling team went to the 13th All African Games in Ghana. They left Sierra Leone on March 6th and arrived in Accra. The team included Shadrack Williams, Tennesie Dixon (the captain), Moses L Kamara, Alusine Karim Conteh, and Sorie Koroma.

They were ready for tough competition and were excited to face world-class riders. Tennesie Dixon was a key player, knowing the Ghanaian terrain well.

In the first race on March 10th, they couldn't finish due to time differences, so they weren't ranked. In the next race on March 12th, they did better but had to stop near the end because of confusion.

On March 14th, they did well in the team race and came 14th out of 25 countries.

In the individual race on March 15th, Tennesie Dixon came 34th, and Sorie Koroma came 39th out of 44 riders.

The Sierra Leone National Cycling Association thanked everyone who supported them, like the Ministry of Sports and the National Olympics Committee, for helping them compete.

They hope the government will keep supporting them and that they'll get invited to more competitions because of how well they did. They thanked everyone involved and promised to keep working hard to promote cycling in Sierra Leone.

From Super Duper Alex Lansana Claye (ALC)
(Di General) Di Pa N Di Mammy E Yai 🇸🇪

🇸🇪 on Sports (MoS Media Team) in Accra, Ghana. AKWAABA



Wrestling Highlights from the 13th African Games

Wrestling made a notable appearance at the 13th African Games with representation from three talented athletes, comprising two male contenders and one female participant, each competing in distinct weight categories:

1. Sulaiman Kargbo - 65Kg Men's Freestyle
2. Alie Sesay - 86Kg Men's Freestyle
3. Massah Jalloh - 76Kg Women's Freestyle

Sulaiman Kargbo showcased remarkable prowess in the 65Kg Men's Freestyle division, demonstrating his skills by advancing to the Bronze medal round after prevailing over Ghana in the Repechage. However, his journey was halted in the Bronze medal contest against Tunisia, narrowly missing the podium. Nonetheless, Kargbo's performance marked him as one of Sierra Leone's standout competitors in the tournament.

Massah Jalloh faced a challenging bout in the Quarter Finals against Burkina Faso, ultimately bowing out of contention at that stage.

Alie Sesay encountered tough opposition in the Qualifying round of the 86Kg Men's Freestyle category, succumbing to Ghana and exiting the competition prematurely.

From Super Duper Alex Lansana Claye (ALC)

Warm Welcome for Athletes Returning from All African Games

A large turnout of the athletics family gathered in full force at the Sea Bird, Murray Town, to warmly welcome their fellow athletes returning from the All African Games in Accra, Ghana.

They jubilated over the impressive performance of their athletes during the games, with special praise and thanks directed towards Georgiana Sesay for her outstanding achievements in both the 400m semi-final heat and final, as well as in the 200m events. The crowd also applauded the other athletes for their commendable efforts.

There is a strong confidence within the community that, with dedication and perseverance, they will secure medals in the next All African Games and even shine at the forthcoming Olympic Games.

From Super Duper Alex Lansana Claye (ALC)
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on Sports (MoS Media Team). Stay blessed.



The Ministry of Sports, National Sports Authority, and National Olympic Committee convened a special press conference at the YWCA Hall at Brookfields to provide an update on Sierra Leone's participation in the All African Games hosted in Accra, Ghana, from March 8th to March 25th, 2024.

The event was highlighted by the distribution of participation certificates to all seventy-seven officials, technical staff, and athletes who represented the nation in the Games.

More updates later.

From Super Alex Lansana Claye (ALC)
(Di General) Di Pa N Di Mammy E Yai

A Grateful Acknowledgement to H.E JMB

I have safely returned to my homeland, Sierra Leone, after covering the 13th Edition of the All African Games held in Accra, Ghana.

I extend my heartfelt gratitude to the Almighty for granting me the wisdom and knowledge to cover all fourteen disciplines that competed in the games.

In my capacity, I have endeavored to meet the expectations of our people and our esteemed President, H.E Julius Maada Blessing Bio.

I extend a special thank you to President H.E Julius Maada Blessing Bio for entrusting me with the opportunity and responsibility to report on international sports tournaments, representing Sierra Leone.

I am deeply grateful to the authorities in sports for their support and encouragement, namely Minister of Sports Madam Augusta James-Teima and her Deputy Kai Lawrence Mbayo (KLM), NSA Boss Dr. Kenneth Brima, NOC-SL President Prince Vandy Sualley, and SLFA President Thomas Daddy Brima.

May the Almighty continue to bless and guide you all in your endeavors.

From Super Duper Alex Lansana Claye (ALC)
(Di General) Di Pa E Yai 🙏🙏 on Sports.
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11:49 pm

Minister of Sports Celebrates Historic Gold Win at All African Games

Minister of Sports Madam Augusta James-Teima provided detailed updates on the performance of each association during the recently concluded All African Games in Accra, Ghana.

She also delivered a holistic review of the Scrabble Association's demonstration game, celebrating Emmanuel King's historic Gold medal win, marking the first for Sierra Leone in international sports. Madam Minister personally awarded Emmanuel King with the Gold medal, commending him for making Mama Salone proud and urging him to maintain the winning spirit in future tournaments.

Acknowledgments were extended to other athletes who performed admirably, reaching Quarter Finals, Semi-finals, and finals in various competitions including SLTA, SLAA, Swimming, Boxing, and Weightlifting.

Expressing pride in their achievements on behalf of President H.E Julius Maada Bio, Madam Minister congratulated all participants and assured them that their successes would be conveyed during the upcoming Cabinet Meeting.

During the Press Conference, other notable speakers included NOC President Prince Vandy Sualley, NSA Board Chairman Pa Hubay, NSA Boss Dr. Kenneth Brima, and

Hubay, NSA Boss Dr. Kenneth Brima, and Chef De Mission NOC-SL Yayah Koroma, who collectively expressed gratitude for the athletes' achievements and optimism for future international tournaments.

Dr. Kenneth Brima highlighted the financial support from President H.E JMB's Government for Sierra Leone's participation in the All African Games 2023, emphasizing their commitment to sports development.

The Press Conference concluded with the distribution of certificates to the seventy-seven officials, athletes, technical staff, and sports journalists who represented Sierra Leone in the All African Games.

Also present at the event were Deputy Minister of Sports Kai Lawrence Mbayo (KLM), Sports Ambassador Charles Jr Bio, International Football Ambassador Christian Dauda, and others.

**From Super Duper Alex Lansana Claye (ALC) (Di General) Di Pa N Di Mammy E Yai 🙏🙏
On Sports (MoS Media Team) Stay blessed**



Minister of Sports Commends Collaboration for Sierra Leone's Success at the 13th African Games

Addressing a joint press conference on the 13th Edition of the African Games, held in Accra, Ghana from the 8th to 23rd March, 2024, Minister of Sports Madam Augusta James-Teima highlighted the pivotal role played by the tripartite relationship between the Ministry of Sports, the National Sports Authority (NSA), and the National Olympic Committee (NOC) in facilitating Sierra Leone's participation in the prestigious event.

Madam James-Teima began by extending gratitude to Pa Woobay, Board Chairman of the National Sports Authority, for his unwavering support towards sports development in Sierra Leone. "Thank you very much, sir, for all that you've done for sport in the country," she expressed, acknowledging his significant contributions.

She continued by expressing appreciation to all stakeholders present, with a special mention reserved for His Excellency Julius Maada Bio, President of Sierra Leone, for his visionary leadership and commitment to effecting positive change in the nation. The Minister emphasized President Bio's role in providing the necessary resources for Sierra Leone's participation in the African Games, despite competing priorities.

Acknowledging the collaborative efforts of Deputy Minister of Sports Kai Lawrence Mbayo (KLM), Executive Director of NSA, Dr. Kenneth Brima, President of NOC Prince Sualley, the media, and staff of the Ministry of Sports, NSA, and NOC, Madam James-Teima commended their tremendous work in ensuring Sierra Leone's representation at the Games.

Highlighting the broader significance of Sierra Leone's participation, the Minister emphasized that it underscored President Bio's commitment to human capital development, recognizing sports not only as a source of entertainment but also as a means of employment for the youth.

Special recognition was also extended to Chief Minister, Dr. David Moinina Sengh, for his supportive role in visiting the athletes and officials at the Games' Village, providing words of motivation amidst his busy schedule.

Madam James-Teima underscored the collaborative efforts of the Ministry, NSA, and NOC, citing the establishment of a Local Organising Committee comprising the three institutions to coordinate with various associations and ensure the success of Sierra Leone's participation.

The conference concluded on a celebratory note as Madam James-Teima presented the Gold medal to Emmanuel King from Scrabble, symbolizing Sierra Leone's pride

"Congratulations, Emmanuel. Continue to make Sierra Leone proud," she remarked, highlighting the nation's support for its athletes and their achievements on the continental stage.

From Super Duper Alex Lansana Claye (ALC) (Di General) Di Pa N Di Mammy E Yai 🙏🙏 on Sports (MoS Media Team). Stay blessed!



Sports Minister Mourns the Loss of Coach Lamin Bangura, Highlights His Impact on Football

On March 29th, 2024, Minister of Sports, Madam Augusta James-Teima, attended the solemn memorial service for the late Head Coach of Ports Authority, Lamin Bangura, at the Kingdom Football Academy.

Reflecting on the sudden passing of Coach Bangura, Madam Minister expressed profound shock, stating, "His loss is deeply felt by the national and international football community. His expertise was invaluable to football development in our country, and his departure leaves a significant void."

She acknowledged the challenges of finding a suitable replacement and highlighted Coach Bangura's enduring legacy in shaping football in the nation.

Madam James-Teima stressed the importance of implementing preventative measures to prevent such tragedies in the future, proposing dedicated transportation for teams during travels. She underscored the potential setback to football progress due to the loss of such a pivotal figure.

In a gesture of support, the Minister assured ongoing assistance and consolation to Coach Bangura's family from the government and football authorities. Plans were announced to establish funds to aid the family, recognizing Coach Bangura's service

to the nation.

On behalf of President H.E JMB, his administration, and football authorities, Madam James-Teima extended heartfelt condolences to the bereaved family, urging them to remain resilient in faith.

The memorial service was attended by NSA Board Chairman Pa Woobay, NSA Executive Director Dr. Kenneth Brima, International Football Ambassador Christian Dauda, prominent football stakeholders, Sports Ambassador Charlie Jr. Bio, Ports Authority officials and players, close relatives of Coach Bangura, among others.

The service concluded with traditional rites performed by the National Heroes, bidding farewell to Coach Bangura as he embarked on his final journey.

From Super Duper Alex Lansana Claye (ALC) (Di General) Di Pa N Di Mammy E Yai 🐞🐞 on Sports (MoS Media Team). Stay blessed.



INTERNATIONAL DAY OF SPORT FOR DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE, ORGANIZED BY THE MINISTRY OF SPORTS AND THE NATIONAL SPORTS AUTHORITY, ENDED SUCCESSFULLY. THE EVENT TOOK PLACE AT THE NEWLY CONSTRUCTED AND MODERNIZED BEACH VOLLEYBALL COURT AT LUMLEY BEACH ON SATURDAY, APRIL 6, 2024. OVER TWENTY SPORTING ASSOCIATIONS PARTICIPATED IN THE EVENT. STAY TUNED FOR MORE UPDATES FROM SUPER DUPER ALEX LANSANA CLAYE (ALC) (DI GENERAL) DI PA N DI MAMMY E YAI 🐞🐞 ON SPORTS (MOS MEDIA TEAM). STAY BLESSED.

6:23 pm

WEEKLY UPDATES FROM THE OFFICE OF THE SPORTS MINISTER

Monday 25th March 2024

● Deputy Minister of Sports, Kai Lawrence Mbayo (KLM) and National Sports Authority (NSA) Executive Director, Dr. Kenneth Brima held their weekly briefings with Madam Minister, Augusta James-Teima to discuss issues surrounding the Ministry and NSA.

● The Performance Tracking Table (PTT) Focal Person of the Ministry of Sports, Lic. Momodu Alpha, met with the Head of PTT from the office of the Chief Minister to finalize the PTT Contract Documents. These will be signed by Madam Minister and H.E JMB on Tuesday, 2nd April 2024.

Tuesday 26th March 2024

● Head of Media at NSA, Eric Fomba, met with Madam Minister to update her on the Press Conference regarding the recently concluded All African Games in Accra, Ghana.

● Authorities from MoS, NSA, and NOC held a Press Conference at the YWCA Hall to update Sports Journalists on Sierra Leone's participation at the All African Games.

● International Football Ambassador, Christian Dauda met with Madam Minister

to discuss issues concerning foreign-based players for Leone Stars.

Wednesday 27th March 2024

● Madam Minister, Deputy Minister, and Permanent Secretary Joseph T. Kany held a special meeting with Gold Medalist Emmanuel King from the Scrabble Association. They conveyed special thanks and congratulations to him for his outstanding performance during the Scrabble demonstration competition at the All African Games.

● NSA Boss, Dr. Kenneth Brima and NSA's Director of Sustainable Sports, Steven Kelfala, held a meeting with Madam Minister to discuss pending International Competitions.

Thursday 28th March 2024

● NSA Financial Secretary, Alhaji Madi, held a meeting with Madam Minister to update her on financial expenditures concerning International Sports Activities.

● Madam Minister and NSA Boss Dr. Kenneth Brima paid a special visit to the bereaved family of the late Coach Lamin Bangura to sympathize with them on behalf of the MoS and NSA Authorities.

Friday 29th March 2024

● Madam Minister, NSA Board Chairman Pa Woobay, NSA Executive Director, Dr. Kenneth Brima, NSA's Steven Kelfala, and Corporate Director, Alie Sesay, witnessed the Civic Memorial Service for the late Coach Lamin Bangura at the football Academy, Kingtom.

● SLFA President, Thomas Daddy Brima held a special meeting with Madam Minister regarding Leone Stars' pending International Matches for World Cup Qualifiers.

Note: International Sports Day is coming up on April 6th, 2024. The Ministry of Sports is actively preparing for the event. More updates will be provided later.

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10:00 pm





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**EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES OF THE
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Sports Minister Augusta James-Teima Calls for Unity and Social Change Through Sports

On the 6th of April, 2024, the world once again celebrated the International Day of Sport for Development and Peace (IDSDP), an occasion that highlights the transformative power of sports in driving social change, fostering community development, and promoting peace and understanding.

In Freetown, the Minister of Sports, Madam Augusta James-Teima, delivered a compelling address, underscoring the significance of this global event and the pivotal role of sports in shaping societies.

Madam Minister began by emphasizing that celebrating this day was never a mistake; rather, it serves as a reminder of the profound impact sports have in making the world a better place. Sports, she noted, not only promote cooperation and peace among participants but also contribute to improved health and longevity.

This year's theme, 'Sports for the promotion of peaceful and inclusive societies,' holds particular importance in recognizing the power of sports to transcend cultural barriers and promote unity. Madam Minister highlighted the commitment of organizations like the International Olympic Committee (IOC) and the United Nations (UN) in leveraging sports as a tool for social change, bridging cultural divides,

and enhancing education, health, and social development worldwide.

The Minister stressed the unique opportunity sports offer in fostering leadership, responsibility, and advocacy against injustice. "Sports serve as a powerful platform for communicating important ideas to diverse audiences, amplifying causes, and driving positive societal change," she added.

In Sierra Leone, traditional sports hold significant cultural value, and Madam James-Teima urged the audience to embrace and share their stories as sports enthusiasts, recognizing the pivotal role of personal narratives in shaping sport development.

Reflecting on her own journey, she highlighted the transformative impact of sports, noting how individuals who started as coaches or athletes have risen to prominence within the sporting community. She emphasized the importance of collective efforts in supporting sports development, calling for collaboration between government, private entities, and individuals to raise funds and support aspiring athletes in realizing their potential.

Madam Augusta James-Teima concluded by underscoring the profound impact of sports in driving social change and fostering inclusive societies. "As we commemorate the International Day of Sport for Development and Peace, let us all embrace sports as not only a means to win laurels





Tuesday 9th April, 2024: Minister of Sports, Madam Augusta James-Teima, along with outgoing National Sports Authority Executive Director, Dr. Kenneth Brima, and senior sports officials, visited the Approved School Field in the East End part of Freetown.

They were there to inspect the ongoing work on the new artificial turf, which began a few months ago.

Upon arrival, the delegation was welcomed by SLFA President Thomas Daddy Brima and his team.

More updates later..

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5:20 pm

SPORTS MINISTER INSPECTS SLFA'S ARTIFICIAL TURF PROJECT

Minister of Sports, Madam Augusta James-Teima, along with Outgoing National Sports Authority boss, Dr. Kenneth Brima, and senior officials from the Ministry and NSA, on Tuesday 9th April 2024 visited the Approved School Football Field in Freetown, to inspect the progress of the new artificial turf project, which commenced a few months ago.

Upon arrival, they were warmly received by SLFA President Thomas Daddy Brima and his team.

President Thomas Daddy Brima welcomed the Minister and her delegation, expressing gratitude for their visit.

In a special interview after the visit regarding the construction of the artificial turf, Madam Minister expressed her satisfaction, stating, "I am delighted to be here with officials from the Ministry, the Outgoing NSA Boss, Dr. Kenneth Brima, and his Executives. I am pleased with the development at the Approved School and other areas of the country where artificial turfs are being constructed," Madam Minister said.

She added: "Football is of utmost importance globally, and I commend the efforts of associations in creating quality facilities and venues. I am impressed with the progress and eager to collaborate

with SLFA authorities. Our President, H.E Julius Maada Bio, expects such dedication, and I encourage them to maintain this momentum."

She assured SLFA President Thomas Daddy Brima and his team of updating H.E JMB about the progress of the artificial turf constructions and expressed her intention to visit other venues where similar projects are underway.

Madam Minister concluded by thanking SLFA for their hospitality and blessings, expressing hope for continued success.

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Sports Minister Launches 2024 National Boxing Championship & International Fights

The Minister of Sports, Madam Augusta James-Teima, launched the 2024 National Boxing Championship and International Fights set for April 26th and 27th, 2024, at the Sports Zone, Lumley Beach, in Freetown early this week.

Madam James-Teima began by lauding the Boxing Association for their dedication to elevating the sport in Sierra Leone, urging them to continue their commendable efforts.

"This competition is familiar ground for you, given your track record of successfully organizing international competitions. We aim even higher this time," she remarked.

The Sports Minister expressed gratitude to her boss, Chief Minister Dr. David Moinina Sengeh, for his unwavering support. "I extend my thanks to Dr. Sengeh and our dynamic President H.E Julius Maada Bio for their steadfast support in advancing sports in Sierra Leone."

She hailed this year as a pivotal one for sports in Sierra Leone, citing the array of competitions organized by various associations in the country. "Today, Boxing reaffirms our commitment as a government to provide them with increased support to fulfil their aspirations. Let's maintain this upward trajectory and strive to ensure that

this competition is a resounding success."

"We are set to welcome international boxers, and it's imperative that we demonstrate our commitment not just in expenditure but also in bringing home medals and trophies. Let's unite and turn this vision into reality. On the 26th and 27th, my sole focus will be on supporting you. Promise me that we're going for those medals. The competition is here in Sierra Leone, and the medals should remain in Sierra Leone."

She concluded by urging the association to engage other ministries, including youth, social welfare, and tourism, to ensure a successful event.

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WEEKLY UPDATES FROM THE OFFICE OF THE SPORTS MINISTER

Monday April 8th, 2024

Minister of Sports, Madam Augusta James-Teima, launched the 2024 National Boxing Championship and International Fights at Sports Zone, Lumley Beach.

Tuesday April 9th, 2024

Boxing Association executive members held a meeting with Madam Minister to present documents concerning the Boxing tournament.

Minister of Sports, Madam Augusta James-Teima, Outgoing NSA Boss Dr. Kenneth Brima, and senior officials from the Ministry and NSA made a special visit to the Approved School Football Field to inspect the ongoing work on the new artificial turf, which started a few months ago.

Wednesday April 10th, 2024

Pray Day - Public Holiday

Thursday April 11th, 2024

Eric Fomba, Head of Media at the National Sports Authority (NSA), visited Madam Minister to update her on the just-concluded All African Games in Accra, Ghana, plus other prominent issues.

Cycling Association President, Mohamed Sidie Kamara and team visited Madam Minister to update her on their pending international cycling tournament.

Madam Minister made a special phone call to the Newly Appointed Executive Director of the National Sports Authority (NSA), Dr. Emmanuel Saffa Abdulai, to congratulate him on his new appointment.

Friday April 12th, 2024

Scrabble President, Christian Asgil and Gold Medalist, Emmanuel King, visited Madam Minister to discuss modalities to visit H.E JMB.

Madam Minister, Augusta James-Teima, her Deputy Minister, Kai Lawrence Mbayo (KLM), Permanent Secretary, Joseph T. Kany, and Senior Sports Development Officer, Momodu Alpha, were at State House to sign her Performance Management Contract for 2024 with H.E JMB.

From Super Duper Alex Lansana Claye (ALC) (Di General) Di Pa N Di Mammy E Yai 🙏🙏 on Sports (MoS Media Team) Stay blessed



On Monday, April 15th, 2024, the newly appointed Executive Director of the National Sports Authority (NSA), Dr. Emmanuel Saffa Abdulai, paid a special courtesy call on the Minister of Sports, Madam Augusta James-Teima, at her Bishop House office in Freetown.

The purpose of the meeting was to engage in face-to-face discussions on how they will collaborate to develop sports in the country.

More updates later...

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7:33 pm





President of the NOC-SL, Prince Vandy Sualley and his team, on Tuesday 16th April 2024, paid a special visit to the Minister of Sports, Madam Augusta James-Teima, at her Bishop House office in Freetown.

The purpose of the visit was to introduce Philippe Mankulyan, a member of the Finance Control Department in Olympic Solidarity, who is here on administrative functions concerning the NOC.

After the meeting with the Minister and her Deputy Minister, Kai Lawrence Mbayo (KLM), they took a tour of the stadium to see the ongoing rehabilitation work.

From Super Duper Alex Lansana Claye (ALC) (Di General) Di Pa N Di Mammy E Yai 🙏🙏 on Sports (MoS Media Team), Stay blessed.

8:38 pm

Newly Appointed Executive Director of National Sports Authority Pays Courtesy Call on Sports Minister

Newly appointed Executive Director of National Sports Authority (NSA) Dr. Emmanuel Saffa Abdulai, on Monday 15th April, 2024 paid a special courtesy call on Minister of Sports, Madam Augusta James-Teima, at her office in Bishop House, Freetown.

Madam Minister warmly welcomed Dr. Abdulai and his entourage, extending her congratulations on behalf of herself and the Ministry of Sports. She expressed her hope for a collaborative effort towards the development of sports in the country, echoing the vision of President H.E JMB.

During the meeting, Madam Minister shared insights into the achievements and challenges so far. She outlined ongoing projects aimed at fostering the growth of sports in the nation.

Updates were provided on the rehabilitation work at the Siaka Stevens Stadium, progress on the Bo Mini Stadium project, and developments regarding the Tihun mini Stadium project.

Minister of Sports, Madam Augusta James-Teima, highlighted the establishment of a ranking system by the Ministry of Sports and NSA officials, which will determine funding allocations for each sports



association.

She expressed confidence in his [Dr. Abdulai's] abilities and dedication to advancing sports development in Sierra Leone. She stressed the importance of collaboration to meet the expectations of the government and the people.

Madam Minister reaffirmed her commitment to open communication and collaboration, extending her best wishes to Dr. Abdulai and his team for success in their endeavors.

In his response, the new NSA Boss, Dr. Emmanuel Saffa Abdulai, emphasized his extensive experience in sports and his commitment to teamwork, professionalism, and integrity.

He stressed the importance of collaboration with the Ministry of Sports, acknowledging it as the cornerstone of sports development in the country.

Dr. Abdulai emphasized the need for harmony and effective communication between the NSA and the Ministry to achieve their goals.

He ended by pledging to keep the Minister informed of their progress every step of the way to ensure alignment and transparency.

From Super Duper Alex Lansana Claye (ALC) (Di General) (Di Pa N Di Mammy E Yai 🙏🙏 on Sports) (MoS Media Team) Stay blessed



Sports Ambassador & Team Pay Courtesy Call on Minister of Sports

Sports Ambassador Charles Jr. Bio, along with former Leone Stars' players Coach John Agina Sesay and Daniel Sesay, on Friday 19th April, 2024 paid a special courtesy call on the Minister of Sports, Madam Augusta James-Teima, at her Bishop House office in Freetown.

Madam Minister warmly welcomed them and expressed her gratitude for their timely visit.

Coach John Agina Sesay and Daniel Sesay congratulated Madam Minister on her historic appointment as Sierra Leone's first Female Minister of Sports and offered prayers for her wisdom and protection in her new role. They pledged to collaborate with her during her tenure in office to advance the development of sports in the nation, both domestically and internationally.

During their meeting, they engaged in discussions on critical matters pertaining to the advancement of football in the country.

In response, Madam Minister thanked them for their valuable ideas, suggestions, and contributions towards football development, a sport cherished by President H.E JMB and the youth of Sierra Leone.

She emphasized the importance of teamwork and unity in achieving success in

sports, expressing her openness to positive discussions aimed at advancing the nation's sporting agenda.

"I appreciate your visit and thank you for your commitment to the development of sports in Sierra Leone. My doors are always open for constructive dialogue," she concluded.

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7:09 pm



WEEKLY UPDATES FROM THE OFFICE OF THE SPORTS MINISTER

Monday April 15, 2024

The President of the Sierra Leone Football Association (SLFA), Thomas Daddy Brima, visited the Minister of Sports, Madam Augusta James-Teima, to discuss Leone Stars' upcoming international matches for the 2026 World Cup Qualifiers and preparation for the 2025 African Cup of Nations (AFCON) Qualifiers.

The newly appointed Executive Director of the National Sports Authority (NSA), Dr. Emmanuel Saffa Abdulai, paid a courtesy visit on the Minister of Sports to discuss the future development of sports in Sierra Leone.

Tuesday April 16, 2024

The Minister held a special meeting with staff from the Ministry of Sports to update them about her recent signing of the Performance Tracking Contract documents for the Ministry of Sports at State House.

President of the National Olympic Committee of Sierra Leone (NOC-SL), Prince Vandy Sualley, and his team visited the Minister to introduce Philippe Mankulyan from the Finance Control Department in Olympic Solidarity, who is in the country on

an administrative assignment with the NOC.

Wednesday April 17, 2024

The Minister attended the opening ceremony of the Regional Conference on the Peace and Security Aspect of Autonomous Weapon Systems: ECOWAS Perspective, held at the Bintumani International Conference Centre in Aberdeen. This event was organized by the Ministry of Information and Civic Education.

Madam Minister also participated in her 9th Cabinet Meeting at State House.

Thursday April 18, 2024

The Minister held a leadership meeting with officials from the Ministry of Sports and the National Sports Authority to discuss various issues relating to the functioning of both institutions.

Senior Development Officer Momodu Alpha represented the Ministry at the Performance Tracking meeting held at State House.

Friday April 19, 2024

Sports Ambassador Charlie Jr. Bio, along with former Leone Stars coach Jonn Agina Sesay and Daniel Sesay, visited the Minister to congratulate her on her appointment and

to congratulate her on her appointment and discuss significant topics relating to the development of sports in Sierra Leone.

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8:50 pm



Sierra Leone Boxing Association, UK Boxing Team Pay Courtesy Call on Sports Minister

On Monday, April 22, 2024, the Sierra Leone Boxing Association (SLBA) had a special meeting with the Minister of Sports, Madam Augusta James-Teima, in the Ministry's conference hall.

The purpose of the meeting was to introduce two boxers from Britain, who will be participating in the forthcoming National Championship and International Fights, scheduled for April 26 and 27, 2024, at the Sports Zone, Lumley Beach.

The meeting began with an introduction by Steven Kelfala, Director of Participation from the National Sports Authority (NSA), who outlined the purpose of the visit and thanked the Minister for welcoming their entourage into her office.

Alhaji Komba, Secretary General of the SLBA, provided an overview of the two British boxers: Liam Smyth commonly called Ginge from Shard End and Perry Lee Atkinson. He highlighted their national and international fighting records and stated that both boxers were well-prepared for their matches in Sierra Leone.

Komba also outlined why government support is crucial for the tournament, emphasizing the benefits for both the association and the country.

In response, the Minister of Sports, Madam James-Teima, welcomed the entire boxing delegation and thanked them for their contributions to the tournament's preparations.

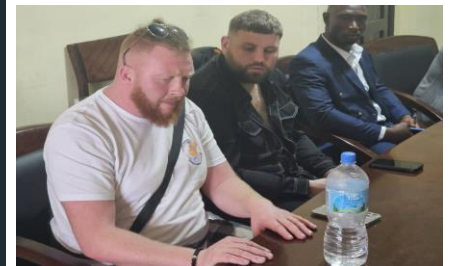
She noted that this kind of national and international collaboration is what the Ministry and NSA look for in sports associations, as it can benefit the country's image through sports development.

"As the Minister of Sports, I have confidence in the SLBA," she said. "You have organized successful tournaments before, and I believe you can do it again, in grand style. My Ministry and the NSA will work together to ensure your tournament is a success by God's grace."

To the visiting UK team, the Minister extended a warm welcome to the beautiful city of Freetown, inviting them to enjoy the cool breeze from the beach, but reminded them that Sierra Leone's boxers are determined to take home the medals and cash prizes from the tournament.

"I will be there to witness history. Congratulations in advance to all the winners. God bless you all," she concluded.

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On Thursday, April 25, 2024, the Minister of Sports, Augusta James-Teima, held a meeting with car dealers and private business owners operating around the Stadium Car Park area near Bus Halt in Brookfields, Freetown.

The purpose of the meeting was to remind them of the several letters sent to them and reiterate the need for these businesses to vacate the area very soon due to ongoing rehabilitation work at the stadium facility.

The Chinese technical team overseeing the project is scheduled to hand over the completed stadium to the Government of Sierra Leone in November 2024.

As part of this project, the Car Park and surrounding areas will undergo significant changes.

The Ministry of Sports has scheduled a follow-up meeting with all business owners from these areas for Tuesday, April 30, 2024, at 2:00 p.m. in the Ministry's conference hall.

From Super Duper Alex Lansana Claye (ALC)(Di General) Di Pa N Di Mammy E Yai 🙏🙏 on Sports (MoS Media). Stay blessed!

11:03 pm



Independence Day Message from the Ministry of Sports

The Minister of Sports, Madam Augusta James-Teima, along with her Deputy Minister, Kai Lawrence Mbayo (KLM), extends warm Independence Day greetings to His Excellency President Julius Maada Bio and his Government, Ministry of Sports staff, National Sports Authority Executive Members, Stadium Management, SLFA Executive Members, Football Stakeholders, Executive Members of various Associations, SWASAL Members, and the wonderful people of Sierra Leone.

As we celebrate 63 years of independence, let us promote unity, peace, and prosperity through sports. Our nation has a rich history of resilience, talent, and determination, and sports offer an ideal platform to bring people together.

The Ministry of Sports encourages everyone to join in celebrating this significant occasion by recognizing the power of sports to unite us as one family. We can showcase Sierra Leone's talent and strength and inspire others to pursue greatness. Let's use sports to build bridges, foster camaraderie, and bring about a positive change.

Happy Independence Day, Sierra Leone! May unity and peace prevail through the spirit of sports.

Shalom!

WEEKLY UPDATES FROM THE OFFICE OF THE SPORTS MINISTER

Monday April 22, 2024

● Sports Minister, Madam Augusta James-Teima, attended the official handover of documents from the outgoing National Sports Authority Executive Director, Dr. Kenneth Brima, to the incoming ED, Dr. Emmanuel Saffa Abdulai, at the NSA office.

● The Minister also attended her first NSA Board Meeting under the leadership of Dr. Abdulai at the NSA conference hall at Signal Hill, Congo Cross.

● The Sierra Leone Boxing Association, represented by Secretary-General Alhaji Komba, held a special meeting with the Minister to introduce two British boxers who participated in the recently concluded National Championship and International Fights at Sports Zone in Lumley.

● AYV Sports journalists conducted an exclusive interview with the Minister, focusing on her achievements and challenges since her appointment as the Minister of Sports.

Tuesday April 23, 2024

● Kabadi executive members paid a visit to the Minister to update her on their

upcoming international tournament.

Wednesday April 24, 2024

● Sierra Leone Athletics Association President, Martin Momoh Bangura, met with the Minister to discuss their upcoming national and international activities. He also presented documents related to past events to ensure transparency and accountability.

Thursday April 25, 2024

● The Minister and her team held a meeting with car dealers and private business owners operating around the stadium car park near Bus Halt, Brookfields, Freetown. They were informed that they must leave the area soon due to ongoing rehabilitation work at the stadium.

Friday April 26, 2024

● The Minister attended the launching ceremony of the Nyawah-Yainkain Foundation, organized by Madam Tuma Adama Gento-Kamara, Executive Director, at the Brookfields Hotel on Jomo Kenyatta Road in Freetown.

Saturday April 27, 2024

● The Minister sent out special Independence Day greetings from the Ministry of Sports to President Julius Maada

Ministry of Sports to President Julius Maada Bio, his government, sports authorities, members of SWASAL, and the people of Sierra Leone.

● The Minister joined her colleagues at the interfaith prayer ceremony for Sierra Leone's 63rd Independence Day at State House. The event was attended by the President H.E Julius Maada Bio, Vice President Dr. Mohamed Juldeh Jalloh, Chief Minister Dr. David Moininah Sengeh, and many other dignitaries.

From Super Duper Alex Lansana Claye (ALC) (Di General) Di Pa N Di Mammy E Yai 🙏🙏 on Sports (MoS Media Team). Stay blessed!

8:36 pm





On Tuesday, April 30, 2024, a follow-up meeting was held at the Ministry of Sports conference hall between the Government and car dealers/private business owners.

Representatives from the National Sports Authority, along with car dealer leadership and private business owners operating near the stadium car park areas around the bus halt at Brookfields, attended the meeting.

The purpose of the meeting was to establish a specific deadline for these businesses to leave the areas they are currently occupying, as rehabilitation work on the stadium is ongoing.

The Chinese technical team is expected to hand over the stadium to the government in November 2024.

More updates later...

Government Officials, Business Owners & Car Dealers Hold Follow-Up Meeting

On Tuesday, April 30, 2024, a follow-up meeting was held at the Ministry of Sports conference hall to discuss the relocation of businesses around the Brookfields stadium area in Freetown.

The meeting was attended by representatives from the National Sports Authority (NSA), along with car dealers and private business owners operating near the stadium car park and bus halt.

The aim of the meeting was to set a deadline for these businesses to leave the area due to ongoing stadium rehabilitation work.

The Vice Chairman of the car dealers, Mohamed G Jabbie, and Madam Adiatulai Jalloh, representing the private business owners, expressed their willingness to cooperate but requested assistance in relocating to other areas within the city. They also highlighted that they had invested significant funds in the existing structures.

Joseph T. Kany, Permanent Secretary of the Ministry of Sports, representing the Minister, asked the business owners to submit all documents related to their tenancy by Thursday, May 2, 2024.

Kany stated that the Ministry would conduct a site visit to assess the situation first-hand

and would also coordinate with the Freetown City Council and the Ministry of Youths to understand the businesses' operations and arrangements in the affected areas.

The PS advised the business owners to start exploring alternative locations within Freetown while the Ministry investigates. He assured them that a final decision would be communicated in a follow-up meeting after the investigation.

It is expected that the Chinese technical team will complete the stadium rehabilitation and hand over the facility to the government by November 2024.

Also present at the meeting were the Deputy Executive Director of the NSA Dr. Abdul Rahman Swaray, Director of Sports Haroun Mustapha Korgi, Corporate Manager NSA Alie Sesay, National Coordinator NSA Lamin Lambert Sesay, and Senior Sports Development Officer Momodu Alpha.

From Super Duper Alex Lansana Claye (ALC) (Di General). Di Pa N Di Mammy E Yai 🙏🙏 on Sports (MoS Media Team). Stay blessed!

