

Argentina demands USD1.5m for Bafana match

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Bafana Bafana might have hit a bump in the road in its preparation for the World Cup. The bump being that SAFA has to pay the Argentinean national football team USD1.5m just so that Bafana can play them. I don't see the logic either.



Bafana coach Carlos Parreira wants to use this match against Lionel Messi and company as a dress rehearsal before the World Cup in June. The main question for me is: Why would the Argentinean team need USD1.5m? Are they going to charge each team they play against before the World Cup?

"The more games we play, the more chance I have of running the rule over the players to decide who will make my team," said Parreira.

The match against Argentina could help Bafana settle some nerves before the World Cup, playing against one of the world's top countries in front of a massive crowd.

"The only way in which you can really make the decisions is to judge the players in game situations. That is why we are playing so many games," Parreira added

Inside the Bafana training camp, players are under a heavy training regime set up by fitness coach Francesco Gonzalez. Beforehand, players were complaining about being overworked, but they are now enjoying the training

"It was tough, but our fitness has improved," said 20-year-old Daylon Claasen of Ajax Amsterdam.

"Our goal is to do well in the World Cup and we are here to work hard."

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