

FIFA response to Telegraph article of November 2019 detailing long-term impacts on migrant workers waiting on wages for almost three years following the 2018 Mercury MENA collapse.

FIFA takes very seriously any allegations of human rights violations related to its events. When it comes to the case you refer to, FIFA has followed up with the Supreme Committee for Delivery & Legacy (SC), who confirmed again that Mercury Mena has never been engaged on a FIFA World Cup construction site under its purview, a fact that has also been stated repeatedly by Amnesty International.

That said, the Supreme Committee has engaged several times with the Qatari Ministry of Labour (ADLSA) to discuss the case. We regret that, as it seems, several Mercury Mena workers who left Qatar for their home countries have not been remedied yet. We are confident that ADLSA is determined to resolve this matter in an appropriate manner and are pleased to see that ADLSA and Amnesty International are now in close contact to ensure that these workers are fully remedied.

The FIFA World Cup has already now contributed significantly to the transformation of the labour rights situation in Qatar with important legal changes being implemented by the Qatari authorities and the widely-recognised systems implemented by the Supreme Committee for Delivery & Legacy with respect to construction workers on FIFA World Cup construction sites. We agree that additional progress is needed for the full implementation of the commitments for comprehensive labour reform by the Government of Qatar, and we know that the Qatari authorities are working intensely in collaboration with the International Labour Organisation and other stakeholders in that respect.

FIFA will continue to engage with the Supreme Committee for Delivery and Legacy and other parties towards ensuring respect for the rights of workers who are involved in FIFA World Cup-related activities. Whenever an issue is identified within that scope, FIFA follows-up with its Qatari counterparts through the appropriate channels.

For further information on FIFA's human rights work, please refer to the following documents:

- [FIFA's Human Rights Policy](#) (May 2017 edition)
- [FIFA Activity Update on Human Rights](#) (May 2017)
- [First report of the FIFA Human Rights Advisory Board](#) (September 2017)
- [Update Statement from the FIFA Human Rights Advisory Board](#) (May 2018)
- [Second report of the FIFA Human Rights Advisory Board](#) (November 2018)

For more information on the Supreme Committee's comprehensive Workers' Welfare programme, see <https://www.sc.qa/en/opportunities/workers-welfare> or write to media@sc.qa.