

Montego Bay Sports Complex

Background

The Urban Development Corporation is undertaking the completion of the Montego Bay Sports Complex at Catherine Hall in St. James. The complex is one of several sporting and cultural facilities which have been constructed or upgraded under the San Jose Accord Programme.

The San Jose Accord is an agreement which was originally signed in the Costa Rican capital city of San Jose on August 3, 1980 between the oil producing countries of Venezuela and Mexico and several non- oil producing countries in the region, which allowed countries like Jamaica to utilize a portion of the proceeds as a soft loan for development projects. Other projects which have been constructed or upgraded under this programme include –

- Independence Park/National Stadium Complex
- G C Foster College
- Frome Sports Complex
- Port Maria Civic Centre
- Multi-Media Centre, Edna Manley College
- Montego Bay Civic Centre

This project is being financed by a loan from the Bank of Economic and Social Development of Venezuela (BANDES) and the Government of Jamaica.

The project consists of these phases which are detailed as such:

Completed

Phases 1 and 2 -

- Site preparation
- Drainage works
- Preparation of inner football field
- Laying of 400 metre, 8 lane all weather Mondo track
- Inner fencing

Phase 3A

- Spectator stands and support facilities such as bathrooms and changing rooms
- Perimeter fencing
- Car park
- Roadways
- Administrative facilities

Phase 3B

- Lighting infrastructure
- Landscaping
- Court Facilities

Scope

The Montego Bay Sports Complex project provides for spectator seating with capacity for 7000 persons, all weather running track, multi-use courts, administrative facilities, bathrooms and changing rooms, lighting, adequate parking, landscaping and fencing of the complex.

Status

The grandstand, bleachers and external works are complete.



A view of the spectator stands