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Nairobi, Saturday 20th March 2021... the Nairobi Provincial Cricket Association (NPCA) is happy to announce that the Association is organizing the African Premier League Cricket Tournament batting off from Thursday, 25th March 2021 to Saturday, 10th April 2021.

This T20 league will be played at the ICC-accredited Ruaraka Sports Club and will comprise 6 teams of players selected by the Association from various counties in Kenya. The teams are Nairobi Lions, Thika Hippos, Eldoret Elephants, Nakuru Leopards, Mombasa Rhinos, and Kisumu Pythons.

After one round of round-robin matches, 2 semifinals will be played on the 9th April 2021 and the final match on 10th April 2021. A total of 33 matches will be played at the tournament which promises to be an exciting cricket bonanza.

The League will be organized and played as per the international rules set by the International Cricket Council.

NPCA will also appoint all officiating personnel for the League. NPCA is the Affiliate of Cricket Kenya, responsible for cricketing activities in the City of Nairobi.

Kenya has a long history of great performance in Cricket. The sport brought great pride to the country in the late 1990s & subsequent years when Kenya ranked among the best countries in cricket globally. The African Premier League cricket tournament aims to showcase this local talent to the world of cricket with over 150 million live-streaming global audiences.

An Anti-Corruption Team will also be appointed to ensure the integrity of the tournament. They will report directly to the Association.

Due to the ongoing COVID19 pandemic, a comprehensive set of rules and protocols have been laid down by the Association. There shall also be no in-person spectators at the matches. These rules will be followed by all and a close watch will be kept by the officials to ensure no breach of conduct.

Match results and video clips shall be shared daily to the newsroom for your kind editorial consideration. We shall also tag and interact with you online. Please share your preferred address to receive the media content.

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(League Fixture, Player Profiles & Interviews available upon request)

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Notes to Editors:

About African Premier League

The first leg of the African Premier League is being held in Nairobi in Kenya from 25th of March to the 10th of April. 6 teams from Kenya will take part in the tournament, which will be held at the Ruaraka Sports Club, an ICC approved facility, that is also the home to cricket in Kenya. The tournament is being organized by the Nairobi Provincial Cricket Association, the official cricketing body of the region, and will see the stars of Kenya play against one another to be crowned as the winners of the Kenyan leg.