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ACA T20 AFRICA CONTINENTAL CUP 2023 QUALIFIERS & FINALS EVENT

Background:

The **2023 ACA Africa T20 Cup** qualification process consists of a series of two cricket tournaments, organized by the Africa Cricket Association, that would determine the eight teams that will advance to the 2023 ACA Africa T20 Cup.

The first tournament was the Southern Africa Cup (*covering the south and central region*), which was played at Willowmoore Park in Benoni, South Africa, in May 2023.

The Northern Africa Cup (*covering the northwest region*) was originally scheduled to be played in June 2023 in Abuja, Nigeria, and the East Africa Cup was originally to be hosted in Kampala, Uganda, in July 2023. The latter two events were eventually combined into a single event (*North-West/East Qualifier*), and was scheduled to be played in September 2023. However, the qualifier and the finals were postponed yet again.

The combined qualifiers is now scheduled to be played from the 05th to the 10th of December 2023 with the following teams competing:

GROUP A

Nigeria
Rwanda
Ghana
Gambia

GROUP B

Kenya
Sierra Leone
Mali
Cameroon

Finals

Uganda won the inaugural ACA Africa T20 Cup, where they defeated Tanzania in the final in September 2022. Defending champions Uganda, plus the top three sides from the Southern Africa Cup being: Botswana; Malawi and Mozambique, as well as the top four sides from the combined North-West/East Qualifier will qualify for the **2023 ACA Africa T20 Cup Finals to be played from the 11th to the 19th of December 2023 at Willowmoore Park in Benoni, South Africa**

DATES OF EVENT:**Qualifiers**

05th to 10th of December 2023

Finals

11th to 19th December 2023

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ACA in-conjunction with Corcom Media Ventures is happy to announce a major sponsor by BNP Group which was successfully attained by Corcom Media Ventures for the next three years for and on behalf of ACA.

The Group Chairman Mr. Biswanath Patnlk is very excited to venture in Africa Cricket and has pledged full support from his company to excel the game of cricket in Africa going forward. This sponsorship will cater for the ACA Africa Cup T20 Senior Men as well as the ACA Africa Cup T20 Senior Woman's Events sponsorship for the next three years.

More details to follow soon.



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Odia investors discuss trade affairs with Sunak

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Bhubaneswar: In a development related to Indo-UK economic relations, Odia investors and entrepreneurs Biswanath Patnaik and Arun Kar recently met the Prime Minister of the United Kingdom, Rishi Sunak, and held discussion with his core committee on different trade affairs.

The duo was invited for a high-level investors' dinner meet in London where they held deliberations on fostering collaboration and investment between the UK and Odisha. The Odia investors



British-Odia entrepreneur Biswanath Patnaik with UK Prime Minister Rishi Sunak

outlined their plans for socio-economic development in the UK and their home state.

Patnaik is the chairman and Kar is the managing director of Finnest Group of Companies, a private equity investment firm operating

under the BNP Group. Their venture, Finnest Group, has gained international recognition, gracing the cover of a reputed international magazine in March.

During their recent visit to Odisha, the Odia duo laid out strategic investment plans set to propel key sectors in the state, which includes setting up of an EV-hydrogen manufacturing units with an approximate investment of Rs 450 crore.

The plant will produce eco-friendly and cost-effective vehicles, contributing to a reduction in carbon emissions and a decrease in dependence on fossil fuels.