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## Experienced squad gives Otim hope

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Today at Lugogo
T20 University tourney final

Despite lack of enough team practice, coach Raymond Otim is optimistic his Uganda will defend the East Africa under-19 girls' title. "The title defence is going to be hard," Otim said after his select squad was battered by the U-15 boys. "But these girls know each other so well and as defending champions we will walk into the tournament as favourites."

The team plays one more final trial game this afternoon ahead of their travel to Dar es Salaam for the showpiece scheduled for

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December 2-5. "I am hopeful the remaining senior players can lead from the front in a bid to give the youngsters some confidence," he added.

Captain Kevin Apio and Sharon Athoula will carry most of Uganda's hope in the annual event that has also attracted Kenya, Rwanda and hosts Tanzania. At Lugogo, the second edition of the Inter-University Twenty20 tournament winds up today with Makerere University (Mak), Makerere University Business School (Mubs), Uganda Christian University (UCU) Mukono and Nkozi all fancying their chances of grabbing the title. Makerere University defeated Kyambogo in last year's final.

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