

Rugby

Mwamba beat Uganda Cobs to win back the Makerere 10's trophy



Mwamba RFC players during a training session. Photo/FILE

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In Summary

• Kenya's reign supreme at the 17-year event in Kampala

Mwamba's revenge was swift, firm and ruthless as they crushed Uganda Kobs 36-7 to lift the Makerere University 10s title at the varsity's grounds on Sunday.

"Kulabu" reigned supreme at the 17-year tournament, which was popularly known as Hima 10s before it reverted to its original name after the sponsors Hima Cement Company pulled out.

The 2008 and 2009 finalists had in the semi-finals claimed a sweet revenge over MTN Heathens, beating them 14-0 in the semi-finals. It's Heathen, who beat Mwamba 22-17 in last year's controversial final.

Mwamba went back home Sh140, 000 richer for winning in the two-day tournament that attracted 20 countries.

Dose of their medicine

Mwamba, who easily sailed through their Pool C in day one, clipped G4S Pirates 12-0 in the main cup quarterfinals before giving Heathens a dose of their own medicine.

Skipper Collins Injera, Humphrey Kayange, Chris Asego, Louis Kisia and Kevin Wambua scored tries for Mwamba in the final as Timothy Mudoola managed Kobs' only try that Simon Wakabi converted.

Injera, Mwamba's captain said from Kampala that it was their resolve to reclaim the trophy.

"The only way for revenge was to drill in more tries and it's good that exorcised the demons that have been the last two years," said Injera.

Meanwhile, South Africa's Vipers outclassed Kenya 24-5 at the quarterfinals of the Dune Sevens in Namibia on Sunday. Vipers went ahead to lift the title with a comprehensive 22-0 win over Namibia in the final.

Kenya had recorded mixed results on day one, beating Namibia Central 56-0 before going down to a shock 21-12 defeat at the hands of Boland I.

The Kenya team is preparing for the first round of the 2010/2011 IRB World Sevens Series in Dubai and George in December.

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