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Mubs visit Makerere in budding thriller



Nkumba keeper Ronald Mutebi pulls off an acrobatic save against KIU in Nkumba on Wednesday. PHOTO BY EDDIE CHICCO

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Makerere University Business School (Mubs) travel to their rivals Makerere University (Mak) in today's mouth-watering tie with a positive attitude after beating Ndejje 1-0 last week.

But for Mak, they will be seeking to bounce back from a 3-0 mauling from the University Football League's new entrants Kampala University. Mak, who struggled throughout the said game, are fourth on three points going into today's encounter while Mubs are second on six points. Nkumba lead with nine.

Mubs coach Charles Ayiekoh knows his side will be before a hostile Mak crowd but is confident they can claim all three points. "It's a very big game and when we meet no one beats the other with a bigger margin just like last year," said the former Water FC coach. "Considering our form this year, I think we are capable of collecting maximum points from Makerere, who are struggling."

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But Mak will care less although their captain Hannington Ssebwalunyo admits they were below par in their last match - against KU. But he believes they are ready.

"We struggled in our last outing but hope to rise up from this defeat tomorrow (today)," explained Ssebwalunyo, "We really need the three points to bounce back."

Meanwhile, the orgainsers of the league have called on both sides fans' to keep calm for the good of the game.

"We have been liaising closely with the Makerere University team to ensure that they do provide adequate security," said Vincent Kisenyi, the chairman organising committee.

"Police has been fully briefed and we trust that all arrangements agreed upon will be met. We again urge the fans of both Makerere and Mubs to enjoy the derby responsibly."