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SAC & ASMC 10th Graduation Ceremony

The Uganda Olympic Committee (UOC) hosted the graduation of the 10th Sports Administrators Course (SAC) and the Advanced Sports Management Course (ASMC) at its headquarters on 12th February 2026.

NOC President Dr. Donald Rukare urged graduates to apply their skills in practical areas such as time management, event management, financial reporting, and accountability, stressing that certificates should be tools for impact rather than CV entries.

Mr. Wagoogo George, Programme Director for ASMC and National Course Director for SAC, celebrated the growth of the courses since 2013, noting increased women's enrollment in line with the IOC's mission.

Looking ahead, UOC announced a special SAC for Women starting in March 2026. Appreciation was extended to the IOC, UOC leadership, facilitators, and Kyambogo University for their support.



During the ceremony

G.I.R.L.S COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT ON GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE

The G.I.R.L.S Community Engagement on Gender-Based Violence (GBV) was held from 16–18 February 2026 at Innophine Hotel in Entebbe, bringing together community leaders, educators, sports directors, police and probation officer to address GBV in schools and communities.

Organized by a consortium comprising the Uganda Olympic Committee, Swans Sports Club, and Uganda Rugby Union and funded by the Olympic Solidarity. The forum emphasized safeguarding as a shared responsibility. Discussions highlighted the link between GBV, school dropouts, early pregnancies, and reduced participation in sports, while calling for stronger collaboration between families, schools, and community institutions.

Participants agreed on the need to listen to survivors, remove barriers to reporting, enforce safeguarding policies, and use sport as a tool to promote respect, discipline, and prevention, uniting all stakeholders to create safer environments for children.



Ms. Beatrice Ayikoru with the participants and facilitators during the engagement

Uganda's travel and participation in the upcoming Glasgow 2026 games in July.

MEETING WITH PERMANENT SECRETARY OF THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS

The President of Commonwealth Sport and Uganda Olympic Committee (UOC), Dr. Donald Rukare met with Mr. Vincent Bagiire, Permanent Secretary at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, at his office on 9th February 2025. They discussed preparations for upcoming international competitions, including the Commonwealth Games Glasgow 2026, Youth Olympics Dakar 2026, Commonwealth Youth Games Malta 2027, Africa Games 2027, and the Olympic Games Los Angeles 2028. They also explored how to leverage sports diplomacy as a tool for strengthening international relations and enhancing Uganda's visibility on the global stage.



Mr. Vincent Bagiire and Dr. Donald Rukare

MEETING WITH HIGH COMMISSIONER AND MS. MIRIAM OTENGO

The President of Commonwealth Sport and Uganda Olympic Committee (UOC), Dr. Donald Rukare, UOC VP, Mr. Godwin Kayangwe and the Senior Administrator, Mr. Elijah Njawuzi met with the Uganda High Commissioner in the UK, Ms. Nimisha Jayant Madhivani and Ms. Miriam Otengo and discussed issues related to the team



Mr. Elijah Njawuzi, Ms. Miriam Otengo, Dr. Donald Rukare, Ms. Nimisha Jayant Madhivani and Mr. Godwin Kayangwe

MEETING WITH UGANDA PARALYMPIC COMMITTEE

The President of Commonwealth Sports and Uganda Olympic Committee (UOC), Dr. Donald Rukare, Uganda Aquatics Federation President and CGU/UOC Vice President Mr. Moses B. Mwase, and Senior Administrator, Mr. Elijah Njawuzi met this morning with Uganda Paralympic Committee President Hon. Bumali and para swimming stake holders. The meeting focused on the promotion of inclusive sport, with particular emphasis on swimming as a pathway to the Commonwealth Games Glasgow 2026.

The initiative aims to foster unity, expand participation and position Uganda strongly on the global stage by integrating para-athletes into the broader sporting framework.



After the meeting

BADMINTON



Tracy Naluwoza and Shamika Fadilah

Shamika Fadilah won gold in the women's singles at the All-Africa Senior Championships 2026 in Gaborone, Botswana. Together with Tracy Naluwoza, she also secured bronze in the women's doubles category. These achievements underscore Uganda's growing presence in African badminton and inspire greater participation in women's sport. They also strengthen the country's pathway to future international competitions, including the Commonwealth Games Glasgow 2026.

BASKETBALL



The Uganda Women's 3x3 Basketball side was confirmed among the teams competing in the 3x3 Basketball competition at the Glasgow 2026 Commonwealth Games. 3X3 Basketball is played by two teams of three players, using one hoop and a 12 second shot clock to keep the action constantly moving. Games last just 10 minutes or end earlier if a team reaches 21 points, creating

a high energy, quickfire style of play that showcases speed, skill and agility. The games will take place at the SEC Centre from 24-29th July.

ATHLETICS



Joshua Cheptegei during the Burj2Burj Half Marathon

The Uganda Olympic champion Joshua Cheptegei won the Burj2Burj Half Marathon in a time of 59:26. The race showcased his endurance and tactical brilliance. This victory, which adds to his growing list of international achievements, sets the stage for his next challenge in London.

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