African club giants set for Super Cup title clash in Doha

ES Tunis are aiming to win the tournament for the second time, while Zamalek hope to lift the trophy for the fourth time.

By Sports Reporter

F anatic eagerness is building up as Tunisia’s CAI Super Cup match between Esperance Sportive de Tunis (EST) and Zamalek SC is set to be played in Doha on February 13 in an attempt to stabilise the region’s football scene and promote the Confederation of African Football (CAF) and the Qatar Football Association. The match will also take place in the Qatar Emir Cup in 2021 and 2022.

The Super Cup is an annual clash of the winners of the CAF Champions League and the CAF Confederation Cup. The winners of the two continental competitions will compete against each other in Doha for the Super Cup title.

In 2019, Zamalek won the Super Cup title after a thrilling match against ES Tunis, which ended 2-1 in favour of the Egyptian side.

EST, who have won the Super Cup on seven occasions, are hoping to repeat their success and win their second Super Cup title.

Zamalek, on the other hand, are looking to hoist the trophy for the fourth time and win it for the first time in Qatar.

The match is expected to be a highly competitive and thrilling encounter, with both sides aiming to leave the other side disappointed.

The match is expected to start at 7pm local time and will be broadcasted live on beIN Sports and Al Arabiya.

The match will be played at the Khalifa International Stadium in Doha, which is one of the venues for the Qatar 2022 World Cup.

The match will also be a test for both teams ahead of the upcoming CAF Champions League matches.

EST are currently top of the Tunisia Professional League table, while Zamalek are second in the Egyptian Premier League.

Both teams have a strong squad and are expected to put up a good fight in the match.

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By Sports Reporter

A 12-day football tournament brings together the biggest names in the world of football, as the Gulf Times, in association with Qatar's AL Kass International Cup Organising Committee, announce the fixtures for the tournament.

The tournament, which kicks off tomorrow and runs until February 24, sees 12 of the world's finest national teams up against each other in the quest to claim the AL Kass International Cup.

The tournament is being held at Aspire Academy in Doha, which has been lauded as one of the best football academies in the world.

The tournament will see some of the world's best young talents in action, with teams from around the world competing for the title.

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Al Ain, Ajax and Lyon are among the favourites to win the tournament, with all three teams having strong squads and a history of success in the competition.

**Real Madrid, Barcelona and PSG also competing**

Real Madrid, Barcelona and Paris Saint-Germain are also among the teams competing in the tournament, with all three having a strong history in European football.

**Tickets available now**

Tickets for the tournament are available now, with prices starting from QR100 for adults and QR50 for children. You can purchase tickets online at www.alkass.net or at the Aspire Academy in Doha.

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The 26-year-old Dutch-born Moroccan has impressed for Ajax this season and is said to be a top target for Chelsea.

Ziyech has scored 19 goals and added 17 assists in 39 appearances for Ajax this season.

The Blues are said to be ready to meet the Dutch club's valuation of the player, who has two years left on his contract.

**OORDEO CUP QUARTER-FINALS FROM TODAY**

The Ooredo Cup quarter-finals will take place from today, with the winners progressing to the semi-finals on Friday.

**ROUND-UP**

Former Spain goalkeeper Casillas plans to launch the presidential of the Spanish Football Federation (RFEF) in the coming months, according to Cadena Ser radio.

Casillas has set his sights on the presidency of the RFEF, with his father Javi and his brother, former goalkeeper Iker, also entering the race.

Casillas' plans are believed to be part of a wider strategy to establish a footballing dynasty in Spain, with the former goalkeeper hoping to take inspiration from his namesake and former Real Madrid goalkeeper Casillas.

**GERMANY HAS TAKEN STEP BACK': BOATENG BLASTS RACIST**

**'GERMANY HAS TAKEN STEP BACK': BOATENG BLASTS RACIST ABUSE IN GELSENKIRCHEN.**

Bayern Munich centre-back Jerome Boateng has blasted racist abuse in Gelsenkirchen.

Boateng has urged football fans to stop supporting racist behaviour, saying it is unacceptable.

He said: "It shocked me and it hurts. To see a young person in Germany crying on the pitch because he has been subjected to abuse...it's very sad."
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In another match, GHD, after a see-sawing battle, were able to pip Action IS in the last few minutes of their game. That put Gleeds in the final. In the final, the first two games were between Gleeds vs Cundall and GHD vs the title with Cundall again showing their superior teamwork, fitness and goal-scoring ability to win it. The two teams played another entertaining game with scores level at the end of the match.

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**NBA**

Zion’s career-high 31 sparks Pelicans to big win against Blazers

*Someone who is as powerful as that, who jumps like that. You can tell he’s getting better* — Interviewee after his performance.

Rookie Zion Williamson, who missed the last game with a sore ankle, scored a career-high 31 points as the New Orleans Pelicans defeated the Portland Trail Blazers 138-117 on Tuesday. The 19-year-old Williamson also had 12 of his 17 points in the crucial fourth quarter. Hart took advantage of a rare start by Brandon Ingram, who missed the last game with a sore ankle.

The game was tied 1-1 with 7:50 left in the first period when Hebron collapsed to the floor. The team said Hebron sustained a cardiac episode and was taken by ambulance to a Los Angeles hospital.

**NFL**

Newton’s future hinges on health, says Tepper

Bouwmeester regained consciousness and was taken by ambulance to a Los Angeles hospital.

**SPORTS**

Rangers open road swing with 4-1 victory over Jets

Hebron survived a scare in the fourth quarter when he left the game for the final 15 of the opening-period. With 1:27 to go, he was invincible by New York Islanders goalie Semyon Varlamov. mango Hunter pushed Andrew Copp into the ice and curled into the game with a two-goal, three-assist night for the eighth straight start. He scored in the first period and then got his second point on a power play at 3:50 into the second.

"It’s a question of how healthy he is, foot and knee injury in the off season," said T epper, who is recovering from a Lisfranc injury in his left foot, said two doctors.

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Tennis

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Bengaluru under-19 world champs return to heroes’ welcome

“We knew something would happen, but we did not expect it would be this big”

Thousands of ecstatic fans flocked to the streets and at the stadium yesterday to welcome the champions as Bengaluru under-19 world champions returned in triumph after winning the ICC Under-19 World Cup.

They stunned four-time winners India in the final last on Sunday in South Africa’s Port Elizabeth to record their first victory over the fierce rivals, which slipped to their worst defeat since their debut in 2004.

The team stormed off the field at 4pm after their triumph at the Buffalo Park in East London, South Africa, yesterday.

Fans welcome Bangladesh Under-19 team as they arrive on bus for a reception ceremony at the Sher-e-Bangla National Cricket Stadium yesterday (AP)

The visitors lost their nerve at the death bowler with his ability to bowl in all formats after his break during the summer, “national selector Trevor Hohns said.

“I was not confident that I could perform at international level with an elbow in my cur- 

rotated to withdraw from the tour but the right decision was the right decision. I’m not confident that I could perform at international level with an elbow in my current state and surgery straight away is the best option,”

Gritted teeth and fl oating in good spirits, the captain’s return to action was also an exciting prospect.”Coming into the middle of the game with the new ball and bowl really nicely... he’s an exciting prospect.”

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