



KPC VOLLEYBALL TEAM DISPLAYS RESILIENCE DESPITE SEMI-FINAL DEFEAT AT 2024 AFRICA WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL CLUBS CHAMPIONSHIP

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In a nail-biting semi-final showdown at the 2024 Africa Women's Volleyball Clubs Championship, the KPC volleyball team went down against a formidable home side Al Ahly. Despite putting up a spirited fight back in the second set, KPC were unable to overturn the scores, succumbing to their rivals 3-1 (25-15, 19-25, 25-18, 25-13). Yet despite the setback, the team remains in high spirits. They are focused on claiming a podium finish as they gear up to face KCB for the third place.

The thrilling encounter kept spectators on the edge of their seats, with both teams showcasing their skills and determination on the court. Al Ahly, backed by their home support, delivered a formidable performance, while KPC refused to concede defeat without a fight, rallying behind each other with unwavering spirit and resilience.





Reflecting on the match, Coach Esther Jepkosgei praised her team's efforts and resilience in the face of adversity. "Despite the result, I am immensely proud of the way our players fought till the very end," Coach Esther stated. "We knew Al Ahly would be a tough opponent, but we gave it our all and showed great character on the court. Now, our focus is on regrouping and aiming for a podium finish in the upcoming match against KCB."

General Manager HR and Admin, Mrs. Dinah Kirwa, echoed Coach Esther's sentiments, emphasizing

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the importance of resilience and teamwork in overcoming setbacks. "The defeat by Al Ahly is a learning experience for us," Mrs Kirwa remarked. "It's during these challenging moments that we truly test our resolve and commitment to excellence. Our team has shown great resilience throughout this championship, and I have no doubt that they will bounce back stronger in the third-place playoff."

Kenya Pipeline Volleyball Club Chairman, Mr. Paul Njuguna, commended the team for their dedication and sportsmanship throughout the tournament. "The journey to the semi-finals has been remarkable for our team," Mr. Njuguna said. "They have showcased exceptional skill and determination, representing KPC and Kenya with pride. As we prepare for the third-place playoff against KCB, I urge our players to stay focused and determined. The podium awaits, and I believe our team has what it takes to finish strong."

Despite the setback against Al Ahly, the KPC volleyball team remains determined and in high spirits. With their sights set on claiming a podium finish, they are ready to give their all in the upcoming match against KCB. The team captain Rose Magoi said, "I'm proud of my team's performance tonight. We gave it our all against a tough opponent like Al Ahly. We'll take this match as a learning experience and come back stronger in the next game." As they continue their quest for glory, they carry with them the support and encouragement of their coaches, management, and fans, united in their belief in the team's ability to rise above challenges and emerge victorious.









KPC Volleyball team pose for a picture before their first match at the 37th Africa Volleyball Club Championships.





KENYA PIPELINE COMPANY AND KENYA PORTS AUTHORITY FORGE ALLIANCE TO ENHANCE OPERATIONS AT KIPEVU OIL TERMINAL 2

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In a significant move aimed at bolstering operational efficiency and elevating service standards, the Kenya Pipeline Company (KPC) and the Kenya Ports Authority (KPA) recently inked a momentous Service Level Agreement (SLA). The ground-breaking agreement, signed at the KPA headquarters in Mombasa, marks a pivotal milestone in the collaborative efforts between the two entities to optimize operations at the Kipevu Oil Terminal 2 (KOT 2).

The signing ceremony, attended by members of the Boards of Directors and senior management from both KPC and KPA, signifies a new era of operational synergy and strategic partnership. Under this agreement, KPC and KPA are committed to enhancing the operational efficiency and reliability of oil logistics at KOT 2, a critical terminal facilitating the movement of petroleum products.

Faith Boinett, Chairperson of the KPC Board, expressed optimism about the prospects of this partnership, emphasizing its potential to significantly

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enhance service provision and streamline industry operations. She underscored the importance of collaboration in driving operational excellence and meeting the evolving needs of stakeholders.

Echoing these sentiments, Mr. Joe Sang, Managing Director of KPC, highlighted the SLA's role in bolstering the security of oil supply chains. He emphasized the collaborative efforts to mitigate challenges and ensure seamless operations at KOT 2, vital for sustaining the nation's energy needs.

Captain William Rutto, Managing Director of KPA, echoed the commitment to addressing persistent challenges, particularly demurrage, through strategic collaboration. He emphasized the significance of synergy between the two institutions in optimizing port operations and enhancing customer satisfaction.

Hon. Benjamin Tayari, Chairperson of the KPA Board, reiterated the shared commitment of both institutions to advancing service delivery, emphasizing its



broader impact on national and regional economic landscapes. He highlighted the potential of the partnership to drive growth and foster a conducive environment for trade and commerce.

Following the signing ceremony, the teams embarked on a comprehensive tour of the KOT 2 facility, providing an opportunity to observe firsthand the operations slated for enhancement under the SLA. The engagement with the media thereafter allowed for the articulation of anticipated benefits and future plans,

underlining the commitment to transparency and accountability in the implementation of the agreement.

The collaboration between KPC and KPA signifies a strategic alignment of efforts towards achieving operational excellence and meeting the dynamic demands of the oil and gas sector. With a shared vision and commitment to innovation, the partnership is poised to unlock new opportunities, drive efficiencies, and propel the petroleum sector towards sustainable growth and development.