

Tanzania lost their third match against host Uganda at Lugogo Ground.

Tanzania slide down from top position to 4th position after losing to the host Uganda in a must win match. Tanzania won the toss and elected to bat first. The Tanzanian opening pair of Skipper Monica and Asha Daudi started their innings very slow on a bowling wicket at Lugogo ground with Asha being dismissed on the 5th over for only 12 runs on the board. Another setback came when Skipper Monica became run out on the 9th over with only 28 runs on the board. Tanzania again lost two fast wickets of Saida Hamisi and Hadija Nasibu on the 11th and 12th over leaving only 36 runs on the score board. A short partnership from Mwaaidi Ibrahim and Hawa Salum of 25 runs took their team score to 61 runs in the 17th over when Hawa was bowed by Carol Aweko. Mwanaidi along with Happyness managed to take the score to 75/5 in their 20 allotted over's.



In defending their low score the Tanzanian opening bowler Hawa Salum and Mwaaidi Ibrahim bowled well by dismissing the Ugandan 3 top order batter's in the first 5 over's with only 15 runs on the board. The Ugandan were already shaky and started losing wickets on regular intervals. The Tanzania team tightened their bowling and fielding pinning down the Ugandan side to 41/7 in the first ten overs, silencing the Ugandan supporters at Lugogo. The short fall came when the Tanzanian players left there dolly catches allowing the Ugandans to win the game by 4 wks.

Tanzania losing to Uganda has opened up the tournament to four teams that have equal points with Uganda leading on net run rate, followed by Kenya in second position and Namibia third in third position with Tanzania standing at fourth position.

Tanzania still has a chance to win the tournament provided they win their last two games with a big margin to secure the highest net run rate.

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