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T.B. Shah Memorial T-20 Cricket Tournament

28th May 2016 (Birgunj, Nepal)

Sano Paila has organised a four-day **T.B. Shah Memorial T-20 Cricket Tournament** from 28-31 May, 2016 at Adarshnagar Field, Birgunj, Nepal. The tournament will be conducted in two shifts: first match will start at 8am, and the second one at 2 pm. There are six participating teams (see Annex for details).

T.B. Shah was the pioneer for Cricket in Nepal. Shah had been one of the longest serving cricket officials who led the CAN for almost four decades. In 2009, the International Cricket Council had honoured Shah and four others with Centenary Award. A former player himself, Shah played for the Young Man Cricket Club (YMCC) when the sport began to flourish in the country. YMCC was later transformed into CAN.

Shah has devoted 34 years of his life to cricket in Nepal. T.B Shah died last year in January 2015. As Shah was a local from Birgunj, taking him as a role-model, Sano Paila has organised the tournament to promote sports in youth, and develop team-spirit and sportsmanship.

Prabhakar Shah, a family member of Late. Mr. T.B. Shah, who is also the General Manager of Surya Tobacco Industries, inaugurated the tournament. According to Mr. Subir Ghosh, Head of Communication of Sano Paila, “Sports unites us, helps us enhance team work. The youth have been swayed to mobile phones in the present generation, so in order to promote sports and bring about physical and mental development of youth the T-20 tournament is being organised.”

Ms. Sushma Tiwari, Secretary of Sano Paila, Md. Firoj, Central member of Nepal Volleyball Association, Mr. Nehal Ahmed, Treasurer of Parsa Cricket Association, Mr. Umesh Upadhyay, Coach of Parsa Cricket Association, Mr. Rajendra Singh from Radio Terai, Mr. Prakash Tharu from MRF, Mr. Daud Ansari, Head of Parsa Cricket Association, Mr. Sabir Khan, Secretary of Cricket Council Uttar Pradesh, and Mr. Gopal Kedia from BCCI, were among the esteemed guests in the inauguration ceremony.

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Annex:

TIE SHEET

Group A	Group B
K.C.C.A MAU	ST. Xavier's MAU
BCTC Birgunj Nepal	Vidhya Sadan School, Birgunj
DPS Birgunj	NCA, MAU

Schedule:

Day 1

1. KKCA Vs DPS : Time 8 AM, 28-05-2016
2. ST. XAVIER'S Vs Vidhya Sadan : 2 PM, 28-05-2016

Day 2

1. KKCA VS BCTC: 8 AM, 29-05-2016
2. Vidhya Sadan Vs NCA MAU, 2 PM, 29-05-2016

Day 3

1. NCA Vs ST Xavier's , 8 AM, 30-05-2016
2. DPS Vs BCTC, 2 PM, 30-05-2016

Day 4

1. Group A Winner Vs Group B Winner, 2:00 PM 31-05-2016