



MEDIA STATEMENT

SABC ANNOUNCES MZANSI SUPER LEAGUE (MSL) BROADCAST SCHEDULE

Johannesburg – Friday, 09 November 2018 – The South African Broadcasting Corporation (SABC) is pleased to release the broadcast schedule for the Mzansi Super League (MSL), in which the SABC has partnered with Cricket South Africa (CSA) to broadcast the tournament live and exclusive on SABC platforms.

The hashtag for the league is #MSLT20 and this partnership will allow the SABC to bring the much anticipated #MSLT20 to millions of audiences across the country using the power of SABC Television, Radio and Digital platforms.

The broadcast of the tournament will commence on Friday, the 16th of November 2018 until Sunday, the 16th of December 2018. The SABC will deliver all the #MSLT20 matches live and exclusive on SABC 3 and Radio 2000. Umhlobo Wenene FM will broadcast 22 matches live, whilst RSG is only carry live crossings

This is the hottest sporting event this summer which is well positioned to drive the appetite of the sport to our audiences. This is in line with the campaign proposition that the Mzansi Super League is cricket the Mzansi way, which is '**Fast. Fun. For all**'.

Chris Maroleng, the SABC's Chief Operations Officer stated "SABC and CSA have promised the nation the hottest sport event this summer. This is a key milestone in our partnership, to bring live to our audiences all the matches of the Mzansi Super League. It's going to be an exciting 4 weeks, making sure that we deliver this memorable event to all South Africans and the beyond."

Mr Maroleng further commented that “Mzansi Super League is a strategic content pillar that we have included in the programme basket for SABC 3, Radio 2000 and Umhlobo Wenene FM, to build audiences and make the SABC attractive to the trade industry. The broadcast of #MSLT20 is also positioned to make the SABC the broadcaster of choice.”

Thabang Moroe, CSA CEO stated "Our partnership with the SABC was based on bringing the game to the broader South African public and we are very excited to see all 32 top class matches will be made available to millions of Our people. The schedule released today will allow many of our cricket fans to plan around the times and rally behind their respective teams.”

The league will comprise of six teams, playing in six different cities across the country, made up of some of the world’s greatest T20 cricket players such as Chris Gayle, Dwayne Bravo, Eoin Morgan, AB de Villiers, Faf Du Plessis.

The competing teams and their home venues are as follows:

- Cape Town Blitz (PPC Newlands)
- Durban Heat (Kingsmead)
- Jozi Stars (Bidvest Wanderers)
- Nelson Mandela Bay Giants (St George’s Park)
- Paarl Rocks (Eurolux Boland Park)
- Tshwane Spartans (Supersport Park Centurion).

SABC 3 SCHEDULE CHANGES:

As a result of some of the cricket matches, many of our television properties will be affected including *Mela*, *SafariLive*, *Afternoon Express*, *@The Table*, *The Docket*, *#WTF Tumi* and *Trending SA*.

The award winning SABC 3 soapie *The Bold and the Beautiful* will be off-air on the 21st, 28th and 30th of November and the 5th, 7th and 12th of December only. The show will remain in its usual timeslot excluding the above mentioned dates.

Meanwhile the popular local SABC 3 soapie *Isidingo* will move from 19h00 to 18h00, but only on the 21st, 28th and 30th of November. *Isidingo* will be broadcast at 18h15 on the 5th, 7th and 12th of December.

The English News will move from 21h00 to 20h45 Monday to Saturday and on Sundays to 19h45 for the duration of the tournament only. From the 18th of November SABC 3's lifestyle programme *Top Billing*, will be aired Sundays at 20h00 only during the tournament.

The EFC Live match on the 08th of December will be at delayed and will be aired at 23H00. The Premier League Review Magazine on the 27th of November, 4th and 11th of December will be broadcast at 23h30 – 24h30.

Tournament tickets are now on sale, costing from R50 each for all 32 matches. Tickets will be available through www.ticketpros.co.za (call centre number: 0861 008 277) and across all TICKETPRO retail outlets – Edgars, Jet, CNA and Spar across the country.

Below is the full broadcast schedule:

2018 Mzansi Super League T20 Broadcast Schedule			
Day	Time	Match Details	Broadcast Platforms

<i>Fri 16 Nov</i>	<i>18h30</i>	<i>Cape Town Blitz vs Tshwane Spartans- PPC Newlands</i>	<i>SABC 3, Radio 2000 and Umhlobo Wenene FM</i>
<i>Sat 17 Nov</i>	<i>18h30</i>	<i>Jozi Stars vs Nelson Mandela Bay Giants- Bidvest Wanderers</i>	<i>SABC 3, Radio 2000 and Umhlobo Wenene FM</i>
<i>Sun 18 Nov</i>	<i>10h30</i>	<i>Durban Heat vs Cape Town Blitz- Kingsmead</i>	<i>SABC 3 and Radio 2000</i>
<i>Sun 18 Nov</i>	<i>15h15</i>	<i>Paarl Rocks vs Tshwane Spartans, Eurolux Boland Park</i>	<i>SABC 3, Radio 2000 and Umhlobo Wenene FM</i>
Mon 19 Nov	No match		
<i>Tue 20 Nov</i>	<i>18h30</i>	<i>Paarl Rocks vs Jozi Stars- Eurolux Boland Park</i>	<i>SABC 3, Radio 2000 and Umhlobo Wenene FM</i>
<i>Wed 21 Nov</i>	<i>13h30</i>	<i>Durban Heat vs Tshwane Spartans- Kingsmead</i>	<i>SABC 3 and Radio 2000</i>
<i>Wed 21 Nov</i>	<i>18h45</i>	<i>Cape Town Blitz vs Nelson Mandela Bay Giants- PPC Newlands</i>	<i>SABC 3, Radio 2000 and Umhlobo Wenene FM</i>
<i>Thu 22 Nov</i>	No match		
<i>Fri 23 Nov</i>	<i>18h30</i>	<i>Nelson Mandela Bay Giants vs Durban Heat- St George's Park</i>	<i>SABC 3 and Radio 2000</i>
<i>Sat 24 Nov</i>	<i>18h55</i>	<i>Jozi Stars vs Cape Town Blitz- Bidvest Wanderers</i>	<i>SABC 3 and Radio 2000</i>
<i>Sun 25 Nov</i>	<i>10h30</i>	<i>Tshwane Spartans vs Nelson mandela Bay Giants- Supersport Park</i>	<i>SABC 3 and Radio 2000</i>
<i>Sun 25 Nov</i>	<i>15h15</i>	<i>Paarl Rocks vs Cape Town Blitz- Eurolux Boland Park</i>	<i>SABC 3, Radio 2000 and Umhlobo Wenene FM</i>
Mon 26 Nov	No match		
<i>Tue 27 Nov</i>	<i>18h30</i>	<i>Nelson Mandela Bay Giants vs Cape Town Blitz- St George's Park</i>	<i>SABC 3, Radio 2000 and Umhlobo Wenene FM</i>
<i>Wed 28 Nov</i>	<i>13h30</i>	<i>Tshwane Spartans vs Jozi Stars- Supersport Park</i>	<i>SABC 3, Radio 2000 and Umhlobo Wenene FM</i>
<i>Wed 28 Nov</i>	<i>18h45</i>	<i>Durban Heat vs Paarl Rocks- Kingsmead</i>	<i>SABC 3, Radio 2000 and Umhlobo Wenene FM</i>

Thu 29 Nov	No match		
<i>Fri 30 Nov</i>	<i>13h30</i>	<i>Nelson Mandela Bay Giants vs Paarl Rocks- St George's Park</i>	<i>SABC 3 and Radio 2000</i>
<i>Fri 30 Nov</i>	<i>18h45</i>	<i>Jozi Stars vs Durban Heat- Bidvest Wanderers</i>	<i>SABC 3, Radio 2000 and Umhlobo Wenene FM</i>
<i>Sat 01 Dec</i>	<i>18h55</i>	<i>Tshwane Spartans vs Cape Town Blitz- Supersport Park</i>	<i>SABC 3, Radio 2000 and Umhlobo Wenene FM</i>
<i>Sun 02 Dec</i>	<i>10h30</i>	<i>Paarl Rocks vs Durban Heat- Eurolux Boland Park</i>	<i>SABC 3 and Radio 2000</i>
<i>Sun 02 Dec</i>	<i>15h15</i>	<i>Nelson Mandela Bay Giants vs Paarl Rocks- St George's Park</i>	<i>SABC 3, Radio 2000 and Umhlobo Wenene FM</i>
Mon 03 Dec	No match		
<i>Tue 04 Dec</i>	<i>18h30</i>	<i>Cape Town Blitz vs Jozi Stars- PPC Newlands</i>	<i>SABC 3, Radio 2000 and Umhlobo Wenene FM</i>
<i>Wed 05 Dec</i>	<i>13h30</i>	<i>Tshwane Spartan vs Paarl Rocks - Supersport Park</i>	<i>SABC 3 and Radio 2000</i>
<i>Wed 05 Dec</i>	<i>18h45</i>	<i>Durban Heat vs Nelson Mandela Bay Giants - Kingsmead</i>	<i>SABC 3, Radio 2000 and Umhlobo Wenene FM</i>
Thu 06 Dec	No match		
<i>Fri 07 Dec</i>	<i>13h30</i>	<i>Durban Heat vs Jozi Stars - Kingsmead</i>	<i>SABC 3 and Radio 2000</i>
<i>Fri 07 Dec</i>	<i>18h45</i>	<i>Cape Town Blitz vs Paarl Rocks - PPC Newlands</i>	<i>SABC 3, Radio 2000 and Umhlobo Wenene FM</i>
<i>Sat 08 Dec</i>	<i>18h55</i>	<i>Nelson Mandela Bay Giants vs Tshwane Spartans- St George's Park</i>	<i>SABC 3, Radio 2000 and Umhlobo Wenene FM</i>
<i>Sun 09 Dec</i>	<i>10h30</i>	<i>Jozi Stars vs Paarl Rocks - Bidvest Wanderers</i>	<i>SABC 3 and Radio 2000</i>
<i>Sun 09 Dec</i>	<i>15h15</i>	<i>Cape Town Blitz vs Durban Heat- PPC Newlands</i>	<i>SABC 3, Radio 2000 and Umhlobo Wenene FM</i>
Mon 10	No match		

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<i>Tue 11 Dec</i>	<i>18h30</i>	<i>Jozi Stars vs Tshwane Spartans - Bidvest Wanderers</i>	<i>SABC 3, Radio 2000 and Umhlobo Wenene FM</i>
<i>Wed 12 Dec</i>	<i>13h30</i>	<i>Paarl Rocks vs Nelson mandela Bay Giants - Eurolux Boland Park</i>	<i>SABC 3 and Radio 2000</i>
<i>Wed 12 Dec</i>	<i>18h45</i>	<i>Tshwane Spartans vs Durban Heat- Supersport Park</i>	<i>SABC 3 and Radio 2000</i>
Thu 13 Dec	No match		
<i>Fri 14 Dec</i>	<i>18h30</i>	<i>Play-off- Venue of 2</i>	<i>SABC 3, Radio 2000 and Umhlobo Wenene FM</i>
Sat 15 Dec	No match		
<i>Sun 16</i>	<i>15h00</i>	<i>Final- Venue of 1</i>	<i>SABC 3, Radio 2000 and Umhlobo Wenene FM</i>

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