

Jakarta ready for international Sixes tourney

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Apple Coal Jakarta international sixes' cricket tournament will get under way on Oct. 29 and 30 at Apple Coal Cricket Ground in Cibubur. The 16th edition of the annual tournament will feature four foreign teams and five local teams.

"It is six players per side, hence the name sixes. Twenty-eight games are scheduled to be played over two days, with each game constituting five overs and each over constituting five balls," JCA President Suresh Subramanian said.

"This format of slam-bang cricket provides non-stop action and entertainment and is gaining popularity, especially after the global success of T/20 cricket," sixes director Avakash Lohia said.

"This will be a great, fun-filled weekend of cricket and an ideal introduction for those interested in getting to know more about cricket."

The Apple Coal JCA league is played year round by expats from cricketing countries and local Indonesians who have come up in the ranks through the junior development programs.

"Cricket in Indonesia has been kept alive through the Jakarta Cricket Association, which at the end of each season felicitates the winners by having international guest speakers. This season, Australian cricketing legends Tom Moody and Geoff Marsh were the guests of honor," JCA spokesman Deepak Khullar said.