520 for Omax Memorial Run

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Teso athletes taking part during the Omeda run in Serere

By Gabriel Esiku

The fourth edition of the Hebron Omax Memorial Track and Field Run is scheduled for this Saturday at Serere Secondary School grounds, promising a highly competitive and exciting one-day event.

Organised by Uganda Athletics in collaboration with the North Eastern Uganda Athletics Association, the meet is expected to attract over 520 local and national athletes who will compete across various track and field disciplines.

The Omeda Memorial Run was first held at Soroti Sports Ground in 2021 before moving to Serere District, the birthplace of the late Hebron Omax Omeda, in whose honour the competition is now celebrated.

"We expect strong competition, and this event will help us identify more talent to present at the national trials on the Uganda Athletics calendar," said James Isamat, Chairperson of the North Eastern Uganda Athletics Association.

Top sprinter Samuel Okello, who specialises in the 400m, expressed his readiness to take on national-level competitors, including names like Moses Adengu, Haron Adoli, and Mariam Achen.

"If they are coming, let them come, but they should know it won't be an easy meet. I am also aiming to walk away with a cash prize," Okello said.