



## PowerGen cruise into Twenty20 final

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**POWERGEN advanced to the final of the Carib Twenty20 after cruising past CLICO Preysal by 30 runs yesterday at the Queen's Park Oval in Port-of- Spain.**

The defending champions will play either Ceramic Merry Boys or Alescon Comets who were scheduled to play in the second semi-final last night.

PowerGen skipper, Samuel Badree elected to bat first upon winning the toss and saw his batsmen continue to struggle. The defending champions were been unable to post big totals since the group stage of the tournament. Former Trinidad and Tobago Under-19 allrounder, Akiel Cooper and opening batsman Nicholas Sookdeosingh were the main scorers for PowerGen.

Cooper top scored with 48 runs which came off 35 balls and Sookdeosingh made 33 runs from 36 deliveries while sharing in a second wicket partnership of 65 runs thereby enabling the defending champions to score a competitive total of 136 for five from their 20 overs.

Former Trinidad and Tobago Under- 19 pacer, Kwesi Roy was the top bowler for Preysal taking two for 15 from his four overs.

PowerGen's spinners then ensured they secured an easy victory, restricting Preysal to 106 for nine from their 20 overs. Varoon Samaroo took three for 23 while the experienced Dave Mohammed took two for 13.

Earlier, Roy made the early break through having opening batsman Evin Lewis caught by wicketkeeper Aaron Alfred for one with the second delivery of his first over.

However, Preysal were unable to capitalise on the early wicket with Sookdeosingh and Cooper sharing in a solid second wicket partnership which stabilised the Powergen innings. The PowerGen duo batted sensibly and kept the Preysal bowlers at bay while rotating the strike.

Left- arm spinner, Nicholas Ramjass would eventually break the partnership having Sookdeosingh caught by Yannic Cariah with the score on 66. Cooper would continue to bat with confidence and added a further 30 runs with Sherwin Ganga before the former was run out. Ganga would follow three runs later trapped leg before wicket to Roy.

However, Samaroo would guide the PowerGen innings with an unbeaten knock of 20 which included three boundaries.

Preysal made a blistering start in their run chase with opening batsman Alfred belting three boundaries as they raced to 26 runs after three overs. However, the PowerGen spinners then took control of the match with Samaroo accounting for Alfred, caught by Badree for 27.

The former national Under-19 skipper soon claimed the prized wicket of Nicholas Ramjass (0), stumped by Gibran Mohammed.

Preysal were unable to recover from the loss of their first three batsmen with veteran Shazan Bawab (21) trying to his him team out of trouble to no avail. Left-arm spinner Mohammed brought into the attack by Badree in the final stretch of the match stifled the Preysal batsmen with his immaculate line and length combined with his use of variation.

He took the wickets of Yannick Ottley and Davindra Krishna to ensure PowerGen claimed and emphatic victory.

POWERGEN vs CLICO PREYSAL  
PowerGen inns:

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E Lewis c Alfred b Roy 1  
N Sookdeosingh c Cariah b Ramjass 33  
A Cooper run out 48  
S Ganga LBW b Roy 9  
V Samaroo not out 20  
S Badree b Babwah 10  
EXTRAS (W3, B3, LB6) 12  
Total for five wickets (20 Overs) 136  
Fall of wickets: 1; 66; 96; 99; 129.  
DID NOT BAT: Kavesh Kantasingh, Raondel Ramlochan, Rishi Bachan, Gibran Mohammed.  
BOWLING: Gabriel 4-0-30-0 (W1); Roy 4-0-15-2; Krishna 4-0-19-0; Babwah 3-0-26-1 (W2); Ramjass 4-0-30-1; Cariah 1-0-7-0.  
CLICO Preysal inns:  
A Alfred c Badree b Samaroo 27  
K Ottley run out 9  
N Ramjass st G Mohammed b Badree 0  
S Babwah c Cooper b Samaroo 21  
A Aziz b Bachan 5  
Y cariah run out 13  
Y Ottley st G Mohammed b D Mohammed 5  
K Roy b Samaroo 3  
S Katwaroo not out 10  
D Krishna c G Mohammed b D Mohammed 6  
EXTRAS (W7) 7  
Total for nine wickets (20 Overs) 106  
Fall of wickets: 26; 29; 58; 69; 85; 88; 94; 109.  
DID NOT BAT: Shannon Gabriel.  
BOWLING: Badree 4-0-25-1 (W1); Kantasingh 4-0-19-0; Bachan 4-0-15-1 (W1); Ganga 1-0-11-0; Samaroo 4-0-23-3 (W2); D Mohammed 3-0-13-2.

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