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Fiji TV to Broadcast 2019 Oceania Sevens Tournament

1st November 2019, Suva, Fiji – Fiji Television Limited today announced that it has signed an exclusive agreement with Oceania Rugby to broadcast the 2019 Oceania Sevens on it's Free to air channel (Fiji One).



2019 Oceania Rugby Sevens Championships is 12th edition of the Men's event and 7th edition of the Women's event and the 5th combined event (Men's and Women's) and 1st for Deaf 7s. It will serve as the regional qualifier for the 2020 Tokyo Olympic Sevens for both Men's and Women's and is scheduled to be held at ANZ Stadium in Suva, Fiji on 7th –9th November 2019. 31 teams and 16 countries are taking part in this year's event where 15 men's teams, 12 women's teams and 4 deaf teams from Fiji, Samoa and PNG are taking part in the event.



This year marks the first time International teams are included in the draw such as the Japan's Men's and Women's team and the Canada Women's team. Fiji won the tournament last year in 2018, defeating New Zealand by 17–12 in the final. Tonga finished fifth and, as the highest-placed side without core status on the World Rugby Sevens Series, won berths to the Sydney Sevens and Hamilton Sevens for 2019. Tonga also joined the sixth-placed Cook Islands as Oceania's representatives for the 2019 Hong Kong Sevens qualifying tournament for the 2020 World Series.



Fiji TV Chief Executive Officer, Karen Lobendahn said that "Oceania 7's is much more significant this year, being the Olympics qualifier for 2020. This tournament provides an opportunity for both men's and women's team in the Oceania region to qualify for the 2020 Olympics. With Rugby Sevens being synonymous to Fiji, we are very proud to be able to bring this tournament to our viewers and continue to bring you the best sporting event from around the World and the Region".



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The tournament will be televised Delayed from the 7^{th} – 9^{th} November 2019 on Fiji TV's Free to Air Channel (Fiji One).

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