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DISTANCE MEASUREMENT BY**Women Mesaieed International (QAT)****4x100m Relay Women Girls**

A runner from Mesaieed International commented on their second place -
It was my first time running at such an event, my heart was beating so fast and the starting gun was so loud. In the future, I hope to be a professional athlete and the Doha Diamond League is perfect practice towards this goal.

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Men MES (QAT)**4x100m Relay Men Boys**

A runner from second place MES commented -
We have done better than our past results and are thrilled to be in second. The atmosphere and the crowd is incredible! We want to thank the organisers for letting us run in such an incredible place and track.

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Kinda YOUSSEF (QAT)**100m Women Girls - 1st**

This has been my best time. This is just one race, but I hope to move into professional athletics and one day aim to break the WR.

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Bassem HEMEIDA (QAT)**100m Men Boys Heat A**

Commenting on his first place victory in the 100m Men Boys Heat A, Bassem Hemeida said: This is my first time running in such a heat, and I cannot believe the result I got. This is not my speciality, which is the 400mH, but the sprint is excellent practice for building my endurance. I'm so happy to be here and cannot wait to return.

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Isaac MAKWALA (BOT)**400m Men - 3rd - 44.92s**

Coming off of the Commonwealth win, I'm not that satisfied by my time. That said, my goal is to hold my Diamond League record and I will be doing better across the year.

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Denia CABALLERO (CUB)**Discus Throw Women**

Throwing 63.80m tonight is not satisfying, but I have my goal for 2018 and my aim to reach 66.0m.

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Abdalleleh HAROUN (QAT)**400m Men - 2nd - 44.5s**

I'm proud of what I achieved tonight, but before even looking toward the World Record, I'm focusing on the IAAF World Athletics Championship in 2019 right here in Doha. My biggest rival on the track is the world lead, who is currently not in for the season. Though I hope he has a speedy recovery, as his presence on the track motivates me even further.

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Sandra PERKOVIC (CRO)**Discus Throw Women**

I was so close to my PB, I really think Doha Diamond League is my lucky place, just as it was in 2015. The environment here is amazing, and the conditions set me up for the year, with the season just beginning. This is perfect as we look to competing in the European Championships this year, and Doha has made me ready to make my mark there.

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Habitam ALEMU (ETH)**1500m Women - 3rd - 4:01.41**

It's my first time ever competing in Diamond League, and I didn't even expect to podium. Getting third is incredible, and I hope to make my way to first place at the Diamond League in the USA, and use my 1500m edge in the 800m.

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Caster SEMENYA (RSA)**1500m Women - 1st - 3:59.92**

I wanted to go faster, but had to slow down a little. It's always been a dream to set the NR and continue to push beyond my PB, and I think we definitely achieved what we came here for. I want to maintain this momentum throughout the season, but will also make sure I continue to keep healthy. My immediate next step is to go back and watch the race, and see where we can improve.

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Elaine THOMPSON (JAM)**100m Women - 3rd - 10.93s**

I'm very happy to hit the podium, for me I'm looking ahead for the year and topping my PB is one step on that journey. I'm going to win another Diamond League, that is certainly in the future. My hope for the season is to keep focusing on myself and stay healthy.

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Blessing OKAGBARE-IGHOTEGUONOR (NGR)**100m Women - 2nd - 10.90s**

I expected to get second, but wanted more from this race. I wasn't close to my best, although still happy with the result. All I can do is keep running fast, and just doing what I need to achieve more. I'm grateful and thankful to God that I finished the race healthy and strong.

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Lawrence Kemboi KIPSANG (KEN)**3000m Steeplechase Men - 2nd - 8:15.07**

I'm very tired, but also extremely happy. I did not expect to reach second place and to beat my own PB on top of it is incredible. This starts off my season for 2018 strong, and my own goal is to run 08:12:00.

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Emmanuel KIPRONO (KEN)**3000m Steeplechase Men - 3rd - 8:16.07**

I'm so happy to achieve third place in my first time at the Diamond League here in Doha. Immediately from the race, I learned to keep my ultimate power for the final round, especially, as I ended up slowing down just now. I will try to avoid this in my next meet in Italy and look forward to what's ahead.

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Chala BEYO (ETH)**3000m Steeplechase Men - 1st - 8:13.71**

Did not hold interviews.

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Marie-Josée TA LOU (CIV)**100m Women - 1st - 10.85s**

Everyone on the track is my rival, but I honestly competed to see what I can do and am really happy with my win - more than anything though, I'm so happy about the time! My aim for this season is just to do my best and maybe be able to win the Diamond League. I don't want to say I want to win everything this year, but if I get to beat my PB again like today, then that would be fantastic.

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Bershawn JACKSON (USA)**400m Hurdles Men - 2nd - 49.08**

This is just my second race this year, and from the result I'm just going to keep doing what I'm doing. I'm thirty-five years old, so it's a great blessing to be here and able to participate. This is my last season, and I'd like to end it on a good note.

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Kyron McMASTER (IVB)**400m Hurdles Men - 3rd - 49.46**

As I'm still new in this field, and it's my first time in the Diamond League, I'm really just focusing on getting through the rest of the season and doing my best.

NB: McMaster won first Commonwealth for IVB in 2018.

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Abderrahman SAMBA (QAT)**400m Hurdles Men - 1st - 47.57**

I've defended my title - YES, I'm very happy for me and for Qatar. Winning at home is an amazing feeling, especially to break not only my record and the NR, but the Diamond League record as well. I have a feeling this will be a great season for me, and all I want to do is run even faster. The audience was so welcoming and I want to also thank everyone for being here today.

NB: Time broke PB, NR, DLR, MR and set WL.

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George Meitamei MANANGOI (KEN)**1500m Men - 2nd - 3:35.53**

I'm so grateful for hitting a new PB and to come in second place. This is a blessing to my life, and only helps me in my goal for 2018 to practice hard for the World Juniors. I'd also like to wish my brother luck; he's running the 800m very soon. I'd like to thank my coach and my teammates for all of the support. I'm only here now because of them.

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Justus SOGET (KEN)**1500m Men - 3rd - 3:35.71**

This race helps me for my next meet in Shanghai, for which I will try to avoid my mistakes like veering away a little from the track and dropping my speed. My performance stays constant indoor and outdoor, and so I focus on my time and going faster.

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Christian TAYLOR (USA)**Triple Jump Men - 2nd - 17.81m**

I feel wonderful. I'm very surprised by the result, but will take it as a chance to learn from the experience, and the guys I competed against. I'm happy I finished the competition healthy, and will always keep smiling. My father is here, my girlfriend is here! It's always good to have their support. I've trained so hard to break my own record, and the WR as well. I'm going to Shanghai next week, so who knows? It might be then!

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Dawn HARPER-NELSON (USA)**100m Hurdles Women - 8 - 13.21**

I'm really surprised by the result - I mean, I broke a hurdle! I really wanted to do better, but happy to have participated. (Reporter asked if she was hurt from the hurdle) My knee hurts a bit, but I will be okay for the next race!

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Kendra HARRISON (USA)**100m Hurdles Women - 1st - 12.53s**

I'm grateful. I didn't get the start that I wanted, but definitely got the final I wanted. My aim for the season is to set another PB. I'm looking forward for tougher competition as well. I don't doubt any of the other girls in the race, but I just need to look to do my best.

NB: Set SB in race.

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Sharika NELVIS (USA)**100m Hurdles Women - 3rd - 12.75s**

I'm not so happy with the result, maybe because it's my opening season, but I feel good and will work hard to get to first place. I feel I'm close to breaking the WR and it is very possible for me to accomplish.

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Nicholas Kiplangat KIPKOECH (KEN)**800m Men - 3rd - 1:46:51**

It was a great run. The weather was good, but the competition was tough. It helped me learn for my next event, in Boston, I need to start well if I want to hit my goal of beating my PB and getting gold in the African Championship.

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Elijah Motonei MANANGOI (KEN)**800m Men - 2nd - 1:45.60**

I feel good, I'm happy that my brother and I got second place! I told him before we went on the track that we would do well. I'm so proud of him! My goal for this year is to be able to follow in his footsteps and run the 1500m race.

NB: Elijah's brother is George Manangoi who came second in the 1500m.

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Emmanuel Kipkurui KORIR (KEN)**800m Men - 1st - 1:45.21**

This is my first race of the season, so I am very happy with the performance! The audience was amazing, cheering for me, and it's just great to see that support in the stadium. For 2018, my hope is to hit a new PB.

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Thomas RÖHLER (GER)**Javelin Throw Men - 1st - 91.78m**

Today was great, but it wasn't easy. There's always room for improvement. My teammates and I travel together and train together, which motivates me always. I've been preparing and knew I could throw that far. I was even able to take some risks today, and know that I'm in good physical shape.

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Andreas HOFMANN (GER)**Javelin Throw Men - 3rd - 90.08m**

I feel very fine, but today I do wish I had thrown further. I hope I can beat my personal best in the next meet, but all I can do is keep throwing even further.

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Noah LYLES (USA)**200m Men - 1st - 19.83**

The race was fun. We knew it was hot this morning, but surprisingly it was still hot in the evening. Right now, I just hope my performance stays the same. I definitely don't plan to stay ranked in second; I want to step back into first place at the Diamond League. I'm working to fix some things in my performance and continue to get better. For me, outdoor is easier and I need to keep my turns tight and set my mind ahead for the season.

NB: Noah's time is a new PB and MR.

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Johannes VETTER (GER)**Javelin Throw Men - 2nd - 91.56m**

I'm super happy. This is quite a good start. I didn't think I had a perfect throw this event, but it will come in the future. The near future!

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Jereem RICHARDS (TTO)**200m Men - 2nd - 19.99s**

This was a high quality race, with a great and intense rivalry. I think I did a really good job today to finish in the top three, and that's my aim: to always be on top!

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Andre de GRASSE (CAN)**200m Men - 6 - 20.46s**

My goal was to execute the race, the first 200m of this year. I'll go back, look at the race and train hard. The guys I competed against have trained harder this year, I started a bit rusty, but will just take it from there and improve for the rest of the season.

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Mutaz Essa BARSHIM (QAT)**High Jump Men - 1st - 2.4m**

My mother is here, she's cheering for me. I'm really blessed. I made some mistakes, but very happy with the result and proud. I feel so great, winning, I was not fit to succeed in all the jumps, but still extremely happy at the end. I wanted to break a record today, but still very ambitious for the rest of the season.

Being here with so many great Qatari athletes, such as Haroun and Samba, is just amazing. It's a testament to the fact that Qatar really has some great talent.

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Majd Eddin GHAZAL (SYR)**High Jump Men - 2nd - 2.33m**

I want to thank God for such a good start. Qatar always gives me a good start, and I got so close to the National Record. I'm very blessed to be here, Doha Diamond League is the best way to kick off the season.

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Caroline Chepkoech KIPKIRUI (KEN)**3000m Women - 1st - 8:29.05**

I'm just so happy, it's my first win ever! I cannot believe I got first.

NB: This is a new WL and PB for Caroline.

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Agnes Jebet TIROP (KEN)**3000m Women - 2nd - 8:29.09**

I'm very happy, I wasn't expecting to get second place in today's race. This will give me a great push for the season! This year, I'll be trying my best to train harder, hit a new PB and, of course, beat more records.

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Hyvin KIYENG (KEN)**3000m Women - 3rd - 8:30.51**

This is my first time running the 3000m in the Diamond League; I'm so happy that I competed it in and came third! I tested my body in both speed and endurance. Last year was lots of fun, but I see that I'm getting better and better. I can't wait to work even harder for the World Cup this year.

NB: This time was a new PB for Hyvin.

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Sandi MORRIS (USA)**Pole Vault Women - 1st - 4.84m**

I'm so excited and happy to be here! I'm proud of my result and my new motto is: you're not out until you miss out three times in a row! I jumped 4.84m today and I feel like I'm on a roll this year. I sprained my ankle a tiny bit, but I'm okay. My goal is, of course, 5.01m - I want to break the WR this year. You won't break it unless you attempt it!

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Katerina STEFANIDI (GRE)**Pole Vault Women - 4th - 4.64m**

I had a rough day. I came from an injury in the Indoor Championship. I didn't get the chance to train well after that. But, I am grateful I'm in good health. I didn't want to push myself too hard, or get hurt. Hopefully, by August I'll be back in the game for the European Championships.

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Katie NAGEOTTE (USA)**Pole Vault Women - 3rd - 4.64m**

I'm happy with my techniques today, as I was not that consistent in my height. But, I definitely achieved one high step further tonight, and I have to keep working harder and harder. For the time being, my goal is to beat my personal best.

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