





Name	Tladi Bokako
DOB	21/04/1993
Nationality	South African
Player Status	Available
Playing Role	Bowler (Seam)
Batting Style	RH Lower Order Bat
Bowling Style	RA Fast Medium
Entry Route	International Sportsperson Visa

Tladi Bokako is a genuine quick playing for the Lions Franchise in the 2023/24 season.

The right-arm speedster returned from a season with Central Gauteng (2021/22) and currently opens the bowling alongside Proteas star Kagisho Rabada, in an attack that also features Malusi Siboto, Lutho Sipamla, Bjorn Fortuin, and Wiaan Mulder.

In a side skippered by Siboto, with no less than 5 internationals within the Lion's squad, Bokako is clearly in good company!

Hailing from Port Elizabeth in South Africa's Eastern Cape, "Laha", as he's affectionally known, is no stranger to Franchise cricket having enjoyed stints with the Warriors (2016/17-17/18) and Cobras (2018/19-19/20).

He has also been a stand-out performer in the CSA Provincial Competitions for Eastern Province (2012/13-17/18), South West Districts (2018/19), Western Province (2019/20), and Gauteng (2021/22-22/23) and courtesy of his success, has earned numerous caps for the South African Invitation and Emerging Players, teams (2017-19).

In his career dating back to his first-class debut in 2012, Laha has played almost 150 domestic matches, where he has taken over 250 wickets.

No mug with the bat, whilst opportunities have been limited in the lower order, he is nudging 1,000 domestic runs with a highest score of 56 in first-class cricket.

After a slow start to his domestic career, he really hit his straps for EP during the 2014/15 season, taking 33 wickets at 24.15 to including two 5-wicket hauls. He hasn't looked back, with season tallies of 26 at 29.42 (2015/16), 32 at 22.44 (2016/17), 43 at 24.37 (2017/18), 21 at 28.52 (2018/19), and 20 at 25.70 (2020/21) in red-ball cricket.

The majority of his recent wickets have come at Franchise level, including 28 wickets at 26.42 and 27 wickets at 34.77 for the Warriors and Cobras, respectively.

Whilst Laha has been a journeyman in South African circles, he hasn't spent time abroad. After the current 2023/24 season, he plans to change that and pursue his maiden UK league opportunity for the 2024 summer*.

A seriously high-class quick, who will be a more than useful contributor with the bat from the lower-middle order. Laha is definitely one to strongly consider if you're looking for firepower next season!

* Requires 1 more FC match to qualify for an ISP Visa.

