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## Hawkeyes roll North Dakota State, 87-56

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IOWA CITY, Iowa -- Junior Adam Woodbury led the charge in the first half, senior Gabriel Olaseni in the second to lead the 25th-ranked University of Iowa men's basketball team to an 87-56 bashing of North Dakota State on Monday night in a 2K Classic matchup on Mediacom Court inside Carver-Hawkeye Arena.

Olaseni led the Hawkeyes with 14 points -- all coming in the second half -- and grabbed 11 rebounds for his first double-double of the season and the fifth of his career. He made 4-of-6 field goals and went 6-of-8 from the free throw line. The center duo both posted double-doubles. Woodbury scored all 10 of his points in the opening 20 minutes, making 5-of-6 shots, and he tied a career-high with 11 rebounds for his first career double-double. "The first half was the Adam Woodbury show," said Olaseni. "He came out making the right decisions offensively. That's the progress he has made."

The Hawkeyes showcased their depth with five players reaching double figures for the second-straight game. Seven players scored at least eight points and 10 players scored.

Junior Jarrod Uthoff finished with 12 points on 5-of-11 shooting, junior Anthony Clemmons had 11 points, including a career-high three 3-pointers, and three steals, and senior Aaron White had 10 points, eight rebounds, and five assists. Juniors Mike Gesell and senior Josh Oglesby added eight points apiece.

The Hawkeyes shot 53.6 percent from the floor and made nine 3-pointers in 20 attempts to shoot 45 percent from 3-point range. The Hawkeyes attacked the basket, scoring 32 points in the paint, and made 18-of-20 free throws. Iowa assisted on 20 of the 30 field goals.

"We drove, put our head down, and moved the ball," said McCaffery. "We wanted to run, we ran, and our transition game was the best it has been in a while. We're rebounding, out-letting and sharing the ball."

The lone negative Monday was the 18 turnovers, something that cannot happen with No. 10 Texas looming on Thursday.

Defensively, Iowa's length forced North Dakota State to settle for jump shots. The Bison shot just 26.9 percent from the field and jacked up 27 3-point attempts (making 10) for a 37 percent clip. Guard Lawrence Alexander made six 3-pointers en route to a game-high 21 points.

The Bison were competitive through the first 14 minutes before the Hawkeyes took over.

Iowa led 31-24 with 5:43 remaining in the first half before scoring 12-of-14 points to take a 43-26 lead into the locker room. The Hawkeyes put the game away early in the second half by holding the Bison scoreless for the first six minutes.

Iowa, which had a 24-2 run spanning halves, led 58-26 before North Dakota State scored its first second-half points. The Hawkeyes pushed their lead to as many as 38 points -- on Charlie Rose's first career field goal with 1:16 to play.

The Hawkeyes started the night off strong, connecting on three 3-pointers over the first seven minutes to build a 21-13 advantage. Gesell had a break-away dunk and Uthoff scored seven-straight during a 1 1/2 minute stretch. Iowa made five first-half 3-pointers, including two consecutive coming out of the under-12 media timeout from Clemmons and Oglesby to push its lead to 27-13.

Iowa (2-0) next heads to New York City for a Thursday matchup against the 10th-ranked Longhorns at Madison Square Garden. Texas beat North Dakota State, 85-50, on Nov. 14.

"I feel good about where we are," said McCaffery. "I watching the Texas game against North Dakota State, and you see why they're ranked in the top 10. We'll have to play better than we've played so far, but we've got a couple of days to get ready."