

CFP Quarterfinal at the Capital One Orange Bowl: Oregon vs Texas Tech

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Miami Gardens, Florida, USA

Hard Rock Stadium

Oregon Ducks

Dante Moore

Press Conference

Q. Walk us through your practice this week, how you're preparing.

DANTE MOORE: Yeah, we had practice this morning, of course. Felt great to come down, adjust to the weather. Another clean practice, another Thursday practice for us. The game plan is still getting put in, so like overall, practice went pretty good today. But overall, like I said, it's getting the reps down in Miami, getting adjusted to the weather. Everything went pretty good today.

Q. (Indiscernible.)

DANTE MOORE: Yeah, being able to play in warm weather, of course, is amazing. Back in Eugene right now, it's like 30 degrees. So being able to be in 70-degree weather is amazing. Of course we worked our tails off to be here. We're going to enjoy it for sure.

Q. (On his decision to declare for the NFL Draft.)

DANTE MOORE: No decision.

Q. (Indiscernible.)

DANTE MOORE: Yeah, I love our running backs to death. They made a lot of great plays, a lot of great blocks. Being able to play in this weather, all phases of the offense will be shown, first the run game, then the pass game. So overall we're excited. We have a great game plan. Coach Stein has done a great job dissecting Texas Tech's defense, so we're excited to get going.

Q. (Indiscernible.)

DANTE MOORE: Yeah, the three biggest things, first is just ball security, the biggest thing, punching the ball out. They have great linebackers, great D-linemen, great



secondary. Another thing is run game, rushing yards, make sure we're moving the ball down the field when it comes to run game, and keep getting 1st downs. Moving the ball down the field. Those are the three biggest things for us.

Coach Stein has done a great job. Of course he has a lot on his plate. I feel like they're still giving us their 100 percent. Of course they all say that without this team, without this staff, that they wouldn't be in this position that they are now.

Of course it's congratulations to them getting a new job, but they know that the season, where we're at right now, they're still giving us 100 percent effort. Of course they have to worry about other things at their other schools, as well, but when it comes to us practicing and being in meetings, they're giving us their full attention, and we appreciate it.

Q. I know you and Dan (indiscernible). Is there a special story or something that stands out about your relationship with him?

DANTE MOORE: We have a lot of great memories for this team. I think the most important one that stands out is just his pregame speeches when we're in the locker room, when we're away or we're at home.

Of course the whole team is excited for the next speech because he's always having something memorized, always having a great story to tell to make sure our hair is on fire when we go take the field. I feel like the biggest thing he does is preparing us to do a good job and play hard and play behind him.

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