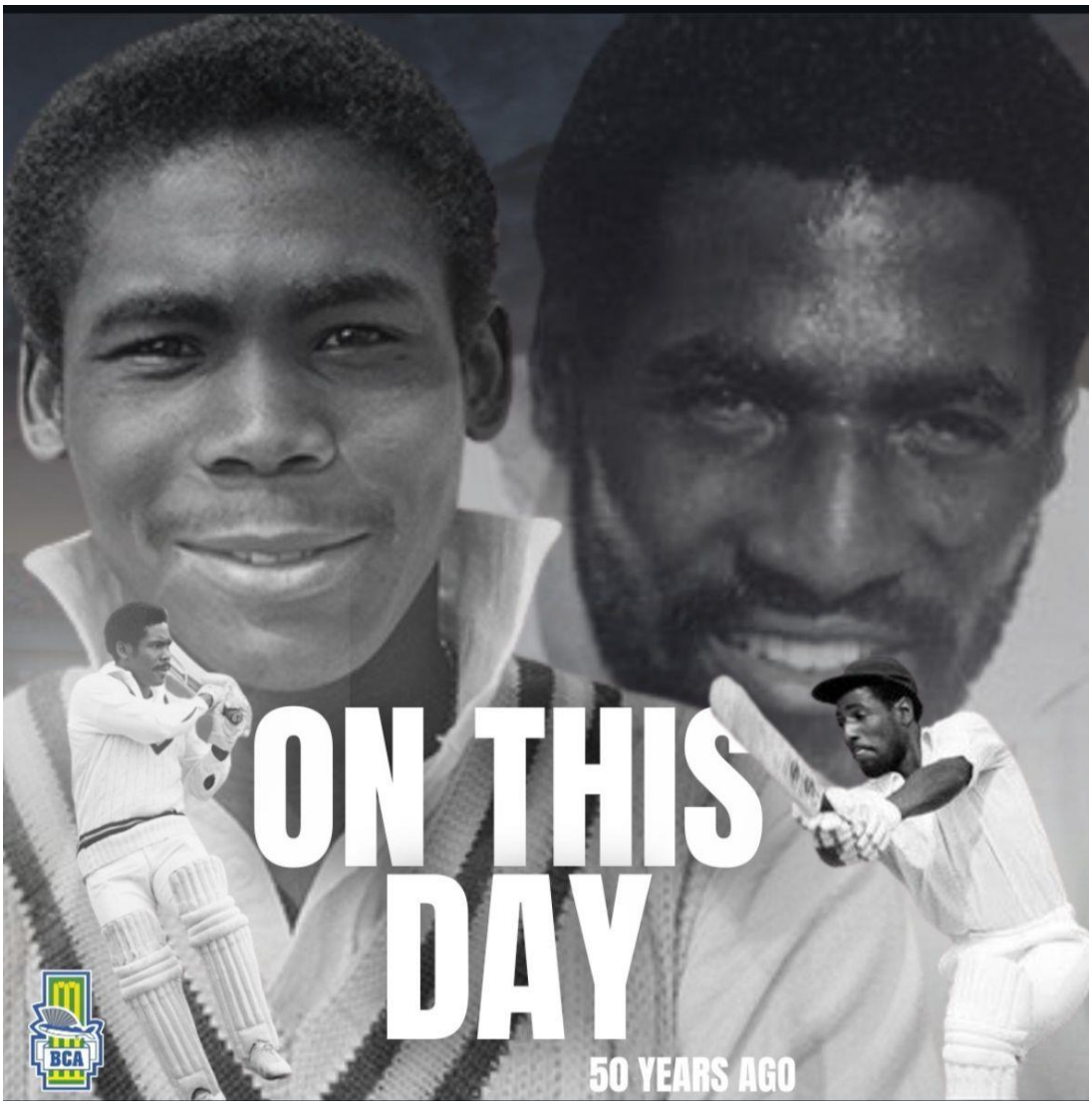
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ON THIS DAY 50 YEARS AGO – SIR GORDON GREENIDGE AND SIR VIVIAN RICHARDS MAKE INTERNATIONAL DEBUTS FOR WEST INDIES TEST TEAM



On this day 50 years ago, two of West Indies famous icons in Sir Cuthbert Gordon Greenidge and Sir Isaac Vivian Alexander Richards both made their international Test debuts against India at the Bengaluru cricket venue in India.

It was also the 1st international match that another great **Sir Clive Lloyd**, captained the West Indies in a Test Match in a team that also comprised of Roy Fredericks, Alvin Kallicharran, Andy Roberts, Keith Boyce, Derryck Murray, Arthur Barrett, Lance Gibbs and Vanburn Holder.

Sir Gordon made 93 and 107* in his debut match with the West Indies defeating India by 267 runs.

During his international career (1974-1991), Sir Gordon played 108 Test matches scoring 7558 runs at an average of 44.72 with 19 centuries and 128 One Day International (ODIs) - 5134 runs at an average of 45.03 with 11 centuries.

Sir Isaac Vivian Alexander Richards was one of the most destructive and iconic cricketers to emerge from the Caribbean. His imposing figure was known globally and at the end of his career he was named as one of the 5 Wisden cricketers of the century.

Sir Vivian affectionally known as the ‘Master Blaster’ represented the West Indies (1974-1991) in 121 Test Matches (8540 runs at an average of 50.23 with 24 centuries) and 187 ODIs scoring 6721 runs at an average of 47.00 with 11 centuries.

Today we salute Sir Cuthbert Gordon Greenidge and Sir Isaac Vivian Alexander Richards and thank them for their wonderful contributions to the game of cricket.

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