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BARBADOS SQUAD SUCCESSFULLY DEFENDS THEIR TITLE AND ARE CROWNED CHAMPIONS OF THE CWI 'RISING STARS' UNDER 15 TOURNAMENT

The Barbados Under 15 squad recorded 5 consecutive victories in Antigua to emerge as the champions of the 2025 CWI 'Rising Stars' Under 15 (50 over) tournament.

The talented group of players registered strong all-round performances from various members of the Justin Parris led squad, to successfully defend their title.

Following the end of tournament ceremony a few moments ago, captain Justin Parris was elated to have retained the championship.

Parris said, 'I was confident in the ability and preparation of the team, that if were able to execute our plans we would have a high chance of winning again. The mood in the team is one of jubilation. It is always great to win a title.

They were 6 players coming back from last year including myself who were able to do the double. 11 players have capped off their Under 15 regional careers with a championship victory. We also have 3 players who are eligible for the tournament next year and hopefully this year victory will motivate them to do the same next year.'

Head coach of the squad, Mr. Roderick Estwick reflected on the efforts of the entire squad:

'The preparation leading up to this tournament aided in the success team. It gave them a greater understanding of field placing, situation awareness, momentum shift, of handling uncomfortable moments that arise during a cricket game. We were able to do that by having game sense scenarios at the Rubis ground for 2 weeks. It also improved our tactics and running between the wickets.'

As it relates to the future, Estwick added, 'For these young players I would love to see them challenged to go and play some cricket in England or Scotland so that they can play in different conditions. They are very talented and have proven that they can handle West Indian conditions……. this exposure would allow us to see how they adapt.'

At the conclusion of the tournament, Kelani Clarke scored 216 runs and was named the Most Valuable Player (MVP) in the tournament.

Part of the all-round team effort included Player of the Match awards being given to Justin Parris (twice), Jahidi Hinds, Seth Smith and Kelani Clarke.

Patron:
Her Excellency the Most Honourable Dame Sandra Mason, F.B., G.C.M.G., D.A., Q.C., L.L.D.
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Mr. Condé Riley, G.C.M, O.B.E., A.C.S.

The champion squad is scheduled to return to Barbados at 8:20pm on Thursday April 24, 2025.

The full squad read:

Players	**Management**
Justin Parris (Captain)	Roderick Estwick (Head coach)
Seth Smith (Vice-Captain)	Barry Forde (Assistant coach)
Asher Branford	Jabbar Niles (Manager)
Zarell Harding	Kwayne Dalrymple (physiotherapist)
Jahidi Hinds	
Rajeev Parsooram	
Jeremiah Forde	
Javion Batson	
Abdullah Mangera	
Kelani Clarke	
Yuvraj Persaud	
Joshua Thompson	
Shawnico Sargeant	
Liam Sealy	

The Reserve players for the squad who were announced previously were Shai Thorne (Christ Church Foundation), Jamani Nicholls (Coleridge & Parry), Shaquon Parris (Coleridge & Parry), Shiv Sahadeo (Harrison College), Dhaniram Dharamdeo (St. Michael) and Amari Wickham (St. Michael)

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