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BCA NEWS RELEASE #55/26: BARBADOS CROWNED CHAMPIONS OF CWI RISING STARS UNDER 19 REGIONAL TOURNAMENT



Barbados were victorious in each of their matches, and we crowned champions of the 2026 CWI Rising Stars Under 19 Regional tournament played in Antigua from July 9 to 22, 2026.

During the Final played yesterday at the Liberta Sports Club Ground in Antigua, Barbados defeated Jamaica by 116 runs with all-rounder Justin Parris scoring a century (100) in a total of 320 for 9 in 50 overs and then returned to capture 5 wickets for 35 runs with his leg spin bowling. Parris was named player of the match.

Barbados has won three consecutive titles in 2024, 2025 and 2026.

Patron:
His Excellency the Most Honourable Jeffrey Bostic, FB MVO
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In an exclusive interview with #bcacricket, captain Gadson Bowens was elated to retain the championship:

'It was an amazing feeling all the boys are happy with the performances we put down throughout the tournament as we were unbeaten. The all-round team performances were great …….it is an amazing feeling to be three peat champions.'

Bowens, who earned the award for most runs in the competition, reflected on his performances:

'…I started the competition on a high with 60 odd in the 1st game and then a double century in the 2nd game. I was looking forward to making at least 450 runs and ended up scoring 309 runs and still finished with most runs in the competition.'

Tournament MVP was Barbadian all-rounder Justin Parris.

The Barbados champion squad is scheduled to return to the island later tonight at 8:20pm.

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