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# **Increased Transhipment Activity at Port Authority**

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#### **Port Expansion Yielding Positive Results**

Since the completion of initial upgrades, the port has seen a marked increase in trans-shipment activity.

Prime Minister Gaston Browne is projecting that within the next year, the port could double its shipping volumes, particularly through new arrangements focused on the importation of produce and meats from the United States.

"We're positioning Antigua and Barbuda as a major trans-shipment hub in the Caribbean, and the signs are already promising," Browne stated. "The investment we've made is paying off, and we expect even more growth based on new trade routes."

Speaking on his radio programme, the Browne and Browne Show last weekend, the prime minister highlighted opportunities that are arising from regional trade, specifically between Guyana and Brazil. He noted that Brazil's low-cost, high-quality products could be efficiently shipped through Antigua and Barbuda to other Caribbean markets, bypassing more expensive detours through U.S. ports.

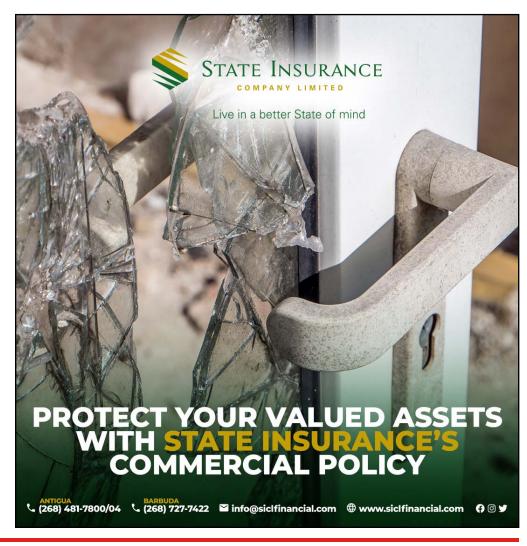
Currently, some local supermarkets are sourcing goods from Brazil but are forced to ship through Miami, a lengthy and costly process. "By making Antigua a key trans-shipment point, we'll be able to shorten this supply chain and bring costs down for everyone," said Mr. Browne.

In addition to imports, he pointed to opportunities for exporting locally grown products, such as onions, to neighboring Caribbean islands. "We have the capacity to grow these products in bulk, and there's no reason we can't tap into new export markets."

The expansion will also have a ripple effect on the economy, generating new job opportunities and supporting spin-off industries like bunkering, ship maintenance, and warehousing. The head of government emphasized that the growing port traffic would create both employment and entrepreneurial



**Prime Minister Gaston Browne** 





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opportunities for Antiguans and Barbudans.

However, the increase in activity has also led to congestion at the port, with space already at a premium despite recent expansions. "The port is almost congested now," Browne said. "We need to act quickly to ensure we have the space to handle future growth."

To address this, the government has announced plans to reconfigure Rat Island, which would involve cutting down the land to create more operational space. "We will preserve any historical artifacts on the island, including the bricks from what may have been an old lighthouse," Browne explained, reassuring that the project would be mindful of the area's historical significance.

The proposed development aims to expand storage capacity and facilitate the handling of more vessels. Currently, the port can accommodate about four ships simultaneously, but the planned expansion will allow for greater throughput.

One of the cornerstone projects of the port's modernization is the acquisition of a new \$16 million ship-to-shore crane, which is twice as large and capable as the previous one purchased over two decades ago. Mr. Browne highlighted that the new crane, which offers improved technology and electronics, was delivered at a better value than the previous one.

"The previous crane was purchased for \$15 million more than 20 years ago," Browne pointed out. "Now, we've invested in a far larger crane with better capabilities for just \$16 million, delivering significant value for money to the people of Antigua and Barbuda."

The new crane has already helped secure additional shipping traffic, with more cranes expected if a pending deal with a U.S.-based company is finalized.

On future development, the government is also exploring the creation of a smaller cargo facility off Fort James, which would serve as a hub for smaller vessels. Large ships would offload

cargo in Antigua, with smaller vessels then distributing goods to other Caribbean islands via the OECS network.

The prime minister stressed that this vision, which has been in development for years, is now becoming a reality. "We are creating a multi-node shipping system that will strengthen trade links across the region and drive economic growth," he said.

Mr. Browne expressed confidence that the expansion would contribute significantly to Antigua and Barbuda's GDP, create jobs, and enhance the country's position in the global economy.

"We have always said that this administration would take Antigua and Barbuda to the next level. Now, you can see it, you can feel it — the country is growing significantly, and it's all happening because we are executing our development plans effectively."



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#### Antigua and Barbuda to Serve as Vice-Chair of Working Group on Tourism and Climate Change

Antigua and Barbuda has been elected Vice-Chair of the Working Group of the Executive Council's Interinstitutional Working Group on Tourism and Climate Change.

During the 26th session of the UN Tourism General Assembly in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, 29 countries convened for the inaugural meeting of the Working Group, where Brazil was elected Chair, marking a significant step forward in strengthening global governance on climate action within the tourism sector.

The collaborative mechanism is designed to support countries in advancing evidence-based and coordinated approaches that enhance climate adaptation, reduce emissions, and accelerate the transition toward a low-carbon and climate-resilient tourism future.

Representing Antigua and Barbuda on the Working Group is Mr. St. Clair Soleyn, Director of Policy and Planning within the Ministry of Tourism and Investment.

According to Mr. Soleyn, "This appointment reflects Antigua and Barbuda's unwavering commitment to climate leadership. As a small island developing state, we sit on the frontlines of climate impacts, and we therefore have a unique responsibility to champion



innovative, science-driven, and people-centered climate solutions within tourism. I am honoured to serve in this capacity and look forward to advancing meaningful action alongside our international partners."

Minister of Tourism, Civil Aviation, Transportation and Investment, The Hon. Charles Fernandez, also welcomed the appointment, noting that it aligns perfectly with the country's long-standing vision for sustainability.

Minister Fernandez stated, "Antigua and Barbuda has

consistently advocated for a more resilient, responsible, and environmentally conscious tourism sector. Our election as Vice-Chair reinforces our role as a regional leader in sustainable tourism development. We will continue to push for policies and partnerships that protect our environment, safeguard our communities, and secure a thriving tourism industry for generations to come."

Climate change remains one of the most pressing threats to sustainable development, with tourism both highly vulnerable to climate disruptions and a contributor to global greenhouse gas emissions. In the wake of the Azerbaijan COP29 Declaration on Enhanced Climate Action in Tourism and recognizing the urgency for coordinated global efforts, Brazil proposed the formation of the Interinstitutional Working Group.

The Working Group will strengthen partnerships, align strategic approaches, and accelerate the implementation of climate-resilient and low-carbon tourism policies across member states.

Its mandate includes proposing, recommending, coordinating, and supporting the development of concrete, scalable climate strategies in accordance with the approved Programme of Work and Budget of the Organization. It will also serve as a governance mechanism for the Global Partnership for Enhanced Climate Action in Tourism, reinforce the implementation of the Glasgow Declaration on Climate Action in Tourism, and coordinate closely with the Committee on Tourism and Sustainability.

Additionally, the Working Group will support the implementation of the One Planet Sustainable Tourism Programme, ensuring stronger synergies and collaboration throughout the tourism value chain.



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#### Stakeholders Briefed on Early Warning for All Project

In anticipation of a full roll out of a 12.5 million USD Early Warning for All Project in Antigua and Barbuda, key stakeholders were briefed last week on the critical aspects of their preparedness and participation in the initiative.

The project, funded through the Green Climate Fund, which is the largest global fund dedicated to help fight climate change, is being implemented by the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP). It aims to ensure that an effective system is in place that guarantees various groups are educated, warned and protected from climate and weather-related hazards.

According to Elizabeth Charles-Soomer, Cluster Lead for Prevention, Resilience and Recovery at UNDP Multi-Country Office for Barbados and the Eastern Caribbean, the project came out of the understanding that with adequate preparedness, advanced and scientific weather observation and information regarding hazards, lives and livelihoods would be better protected. Damage overall would also be reduced.

The project has four components - Disaster Risk Coordination and Governance; Knowledge, detection, observation, monitoring, analysis, and forecasting; Warning dissemination, communication and Pre-



paredness and response capabilities. The project is to be implemented in collaboration with the United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction (UNDRR), the International Federation of Red Cross (IFRC), the International Telecommunications Union (ITU) and the World Meteorological Organization (WMO).

"Early warning focuses on 4 pillars - ensuring there is good governance, coordination of Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) initiatives, knowledge of risks, and effective communication – the infrastructure available and suitable messaging - how information is communicated to the public, including those who are disabled and vulnerable", says Charles-Soomer.

Antigua and Barbuda is among seven countries in the world that are benefiting from the Early Warning for All initiative, which forms part of a broader global project.

The Antigua and Barbuda Meteorological Services (ABMS) and the National Office of Disaster Services (NODS) are the two main beneficiary agencies of the project, however, participation involving the whole of government is required. The Development Control Authority (DCA), Sector Ministries, Legal Affairs Telecommunications and along with the Private and Civil Society Sectors are all key to the process. The Ministries of Finance and the Department of Environment are also key project partners.

"Antigua and Barbuda Meteorological Services (ABMS) is well recognised regionally and provides critical forecasting services to Antigua and Barbuda as well as to other surrounding islands. Reliable observation and forecasting services are required for air and sea travel as well as for the safe-

ty of the general population. NODS provides critical services to Antigua and Barbuda and to the region as the focal point for the Northeastern CDEMA Disaster Response Cell. It is thus important to look at how these agencies are structured to be able to deliver the project interventions given their level of responsibility and their current capacity".

NODS has come up with a proposal which I hope [the] government can support - to establish a Disaster Risk Reduction (DDR) Cell with critical and experienced staff within the Disaster Risk Unit in the Ministry of Finance", says Charles-Soomer.

Critical to the project are the review of the Disaster Management Act, the Antigua and Barbuda Met Services Bill, Planning Regulations, Sector Disaster Risk Reduction Plans, Specific Risk Assessment for Barbuda, the setting up of a Disaster Preparedness and Emergency Fund and a full institutional review and capacity building programme for the Met Office.

Once funding is received, a Project Inception meeting will be held in February 2026 bringing together the donors, UN agencies and the various stakeholders, signalling the official start of the project.





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### Sir Ronald Sanders to Receive Honorary Doctor of Laws from University of Guyana

The University of Guyana will confer the degree of Doctor of Laws (Honoris Causa) on Sir Ronald Sanders, Antigua and Barbuda's Ambassador to the United States and Permanent Representative to the Organization of American States (OAS), at its 2025 Convocation.

The award will be formally presented at the Faculty of Social Sciences graduation ceremony on Saturday, 22 November 2025, at the Turkeyen Campus in Georgetown.

In announcing the honour, the University's Special Conferral Committee described Sir Ronald as "a transformative figure in diplomacy, business, and academia," whose career reflects



Sir Ronald Sanders, Antigua and Barbuda's Ambassador to the United States

a sustained commitment to diplomacy, good governance, and Caribbean advancement.

This latest recognition accompanies Sir Ronald's earlier award of an Honorary Doctor of Letters (D.Litt) from the University of the West Indies, underlining his regional standing as one of the Caribbean's most accomplished diplomats and public intellectuals. Over a five-decade career, he has served as Ambassador to the United States and the OAS, former High Commissioner to the United Kingdom, Ambassador to the World Trade Organization, elected member of the Executive Board of UNESCO, and a leading advocate for the rights of small states in global affairs.



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#### **Curtain Bluff Cops Regional Environmental Sustainability Award**



Curtain Bluff has been awarded the Caribbean Hotel and Tourism Association's Environmental Sustainability Award at the 2025 Caribbean Hospitality Industry Exchange Forum (CHIEF) in Barbados.

The award recognizes the resort's long-standing commitment to environmental protection, community empowerment, and operational excellence in sustainable tourism.

In addition to this achievement, Curtain Bluff recently became the first Antiguan property to earn Green Globe Platinum Certification, marking a decade of continuous improvement in environmental and social sustainability.

In a statement, the Antigua and Barbuda Hotels and Tourism Association said Curtain Bluff's victory celebrated its sustainable tourism model which is anchored

in a deeply integrated approach that blends environmental conservation, resource efficiency, and community engagement.

For over 63 years, the resort has implemented innovative systems for water management, energy efficiency, and waste reduction, while actively supporting the surrounding Old Road community through education, youth programs, and long-term development initiatives. This harmony between people, place, and operations has distinguished the resort as a leader in Caribbean sustainability and earned it international recognition.

Curtain Bluff also places strong emphasis on renewable practices



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that help protect Antigua's fragile ecosystems. From advanced desalination and wastewater treatment technology to natural cooling design features, the resort ensures that its environmental footprint remains minimal. It complements these efforts with a guest-centered sustainability experience that promotes awareness, encourages responsible behavior, and fosters authentic connections with the island's culture and landscape.

The resort's commitment extends beyond the environment to the heart of the Old Road Village, where generations of families have grown alongside the resort. Through scholarships, school adoption programs, youth sports, and the Old Road Fund, Curtain Bluff continues to uplift the community that has supported its growth for more than six decades.

In addition to its core sustainability initiatives, Curtain Bluff has implemented advanced water systems, including reverse osmosis desalination and greywater reuse, eliminated single-use PET bottles in favor of refillable glass bottles, and partnered with local farmers and fisherfolk to provide fresh, sustainable dining. These are just some of the many initiatives that demonstrate the resort's ongoing

commitment to environmental stewardship, community engagement, and sustainable tourism.

Craig Marshall, Chairman, Antigua and Barbuda Hotels and Tourism Association (ABHTA) stated that "The ABHTA is incredibly proud of the remarkable work done by Curtain Bluff. Their commitment to environmental protection, community development, and responsible tourism stands as an inspiring example for all accommodation providers in Antigua and Barbuda. We celebrate their achievement and look forward to seeing their continued leadership as more properties on the island advance their own sustainability journeys."

Anique Goodwin, Green Globe

administrator for Curtain Bluff in expressing her gratitude for the recognition noted that "We are incredibly proud and honoured to be recognized for our continued efforts in sustainability. We want to encourage other businesses and individuals to embrace sustainable practices every day to protect our livelihood which is our unique island. Every small effort brings us closer to preserving our world for future generations."



#### **Feature**



### Sagicor Drive Marks One Year of Safer Roads and Smarter Driving Across the Caribbean



St John's, Antigua - Sagicor General Insurance Inc. (SGI) is celebrating the first anniversary of Sagicor Drive, its innovative telematics mobile app designed to promote safer driving habits and reward responsible drivers across the region.

To mark the milestone, SGI hosted a series of pop-up events across several markets, connecting with users and sharing the benefits of the app, which continues to gain momentum and positive feedback.



Assistant Vice President of Innovation and Business Systems at Sagicor General Insurance Inc Andre Barrow.

Sagicor Drive is currently available in Barbados, Trinidad and Tobago, Antigua, and St. Lucia, and has already attracted more than five hundred users. The app uses telematics technology to monitor driving patterns, providing drivers with insights into their habits, while encouraging safer

behaviour on the road. The app also rewards safe driving with badges, vouchers and a discount when clients renew their policy.

Over the past year, the SGI team has introduced several enhancements to improve the app's performance and user experience, making it even more efficient and us-

er-friendly than when it first launched. According to Andre Barrow, Assistant Vice President of Innovation and Business Systems at Sagicor General, the data gathered so far reflects encouraging results. "The signals are very positive. While we have not seen a reduction in accidents so far as a result of the app, we are hoping that the use of the app will start to highlight good driving habits that will result in fewer claims for our clients using Sagicor Drive."

Sagicor Drive represents a key part of Sagicor General's digital innovation strategy, leveraging technology to enhance client experience, improve road safety, and support communities through smarter, data-driven solutions.

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#### MINISTRY OF EDUCATION, SPORTS AND CREATIVE INDUSTRIES

### THE DEPARTMENT OF CREATIVE INDUSTRIES REMINDS EVERYONE THAT THE CHRISTMAS HOME AND BUSINESS LIGHTING COMPETITION 2025 REGISTRATION IS STILL ONGOING.

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE – Monday, 17th November 2025 –** *St. John's, Antigua and Barbuda......* The Department of Creative Industries is reminding the public that registration for the Christmas Home and Business Lighting Competition 2025 is still ongoing.

The competition aims to evoke the spirit of the season through the creative, dazzling lighting displays of our 2025 competitors. The Department encourages all interested Home and Business owners to register for the competition by Wednesday, December 17, 2025.

Registration Forms are available Mondays to Fridays, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., at the Department of Creative Industries Headquarters on Old Parham Road, upstairs in INET, or at the National Festivals Office, 1st Floor, Cecil George-John Building, Redcliffe Street and Corn Alley.

Pre-judging will commence on December 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup>,2025, while the final displays will be judged on December 28, 2025. Winners will be announced via Good Morning Antigua, Barbuda on Friday, January 5<sup>th</sup>, 2026.

Home entries will be categorized and judged according to the zones – East, West, North, and South. All Home participants will receive a 100% waiver on electricity service from December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2025, to January 15th, 2026, Duty-Free concessions on Christmas Lights and/or Decorations, and a Cash component for the top three winners in each zone, as outlined below.

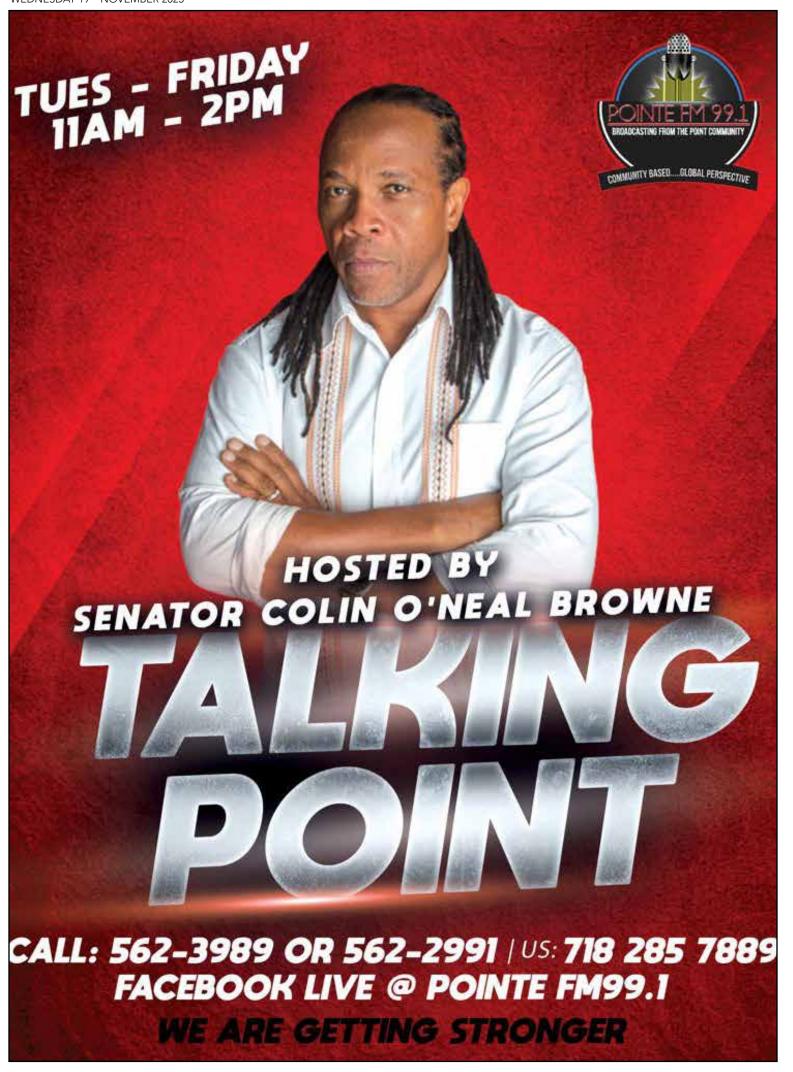
First Place - \$3,000.00 XCD
 Second Place - \$2,000.00 XCD
 Third Place - \$1,000,00 XCD

Business entries will receive a 50% waiver on electricity service for December 2025, DutyFree concessions on Christmas Lights and or Decorations and a Cash component for the top three winners as outlined below.

First Place - \$3,000.00 XCD
 Second Place - \$2,000.00 XCD
 Third Place - \$1,000,00 XCD

Register now to be a part of the joy and splendor of Christmas 2025.





#### Regional News



#### Mottley calls for fiscal space to help Jamaica bounce back from Melissa

Barbados Prime Minister Mia Amor Mottley has called for urgent international support to ensure Jamaica gets the fiscal breathing room it needs to rebuild after Hurricane Melissa.

Mottley made the appeal during a CARICOM leaders' tour of hard-hit communities in Westmoreland on Monday, warning that Jamaica's revenue losses and extensive infrastructure damage require immediate global intervention to avoid slowing the country's recovery.

"Jamaica must know that it does not walk alone in this moment," she said. "This year, it is Jamaica. Next year, it will be one of us. And it is important that we retain that solidarity."

Mottley said the destruction in five parishes, combined with the likely loss of government revenue over the coming months, requires decisive intervention from the international community. She expressed hope that Jamaica's partners would help create an environment where Prime Minister Dr Andrew Holness' administration can focus entirely on rebuilding without fiscal constraints.

"We must create an opportunity where your government can focus purely on



rebuilding," she said. "And also bridge the loss of revenue that will obviously take place for the next nine months, two years – however long it may be. The biggest contribution we can make is to work with the international community to give you the elbow room, the fiscal space you need."

The Barbadian leader noted that Jamaica had been on track to reach its fiscal anchor of 60 per cent debt-to-GDP before the storm, but said Melissa's impact will inevitably alter that trajectory. She compared the moment to the economic upheaval of the COVID-19 pandemic, which forced Barbados to

reset but ultimately recover

"We went through the same thing during COVID," she said. "We recovered from it, and I have every confidence that Jamaica will recover from this moment."

Mottley confirmed that Barbados has already dispatched a field hospital to support displaced residents. She emphasised the scale of Jamaica's crisis, noting that the number of people left without shelter exceeds three times Barbados' entire population.

In addition to medical support, Barbados is sending further relief, including garbage compactor trucks, tarpaulins, generators and immediate food supplies sourced from Trinidad. She said the region must respond quickly, describing disaster recovery as a continuous "race against time" to restore normalcy to affected communities.

Mottley also praised the broader CARICOM response, pointing to Guyana's decision to deploy Guyana Defence Force engineers to repair 200 roofs in Westmoreland and Antigua and Barbuda's commitment to the relief effort. She said the moment reflects the essence of regional cooperation.

"This is why we are a community," she said. "Because in times like these, the community draws strength from each other and supports each other."

She endorsed Holness' goal of getting families under some form of shelter before Christmas, saying the experience of surviving such a disaster often deepens a community's resolve to rebuild stronger and better.

"I believe the individuals who have gone through this will now have a greater passion for why they must work together to make their communities and their country the best it can be," she said. (Jamaica Gleaner)



#### **Regional News**



### Corrections officer in Bahamas charged in plot to murder her boss

A 22-year-old corrections officer in the Bahamas is due to return to court on November 27 after she denied allegations that she had been plotting to murder her boss.

The prosecution alleges that Shante Taylor and another person conspired to murder the corrections officer, Charles Curtis, on July 30, 2024.

Taylor is alleged to have discussed the plan during a WhatsApp conversation.

But she has denied the allegation, making the denial during an appearance before Justice Guillimina Archer-Minns.

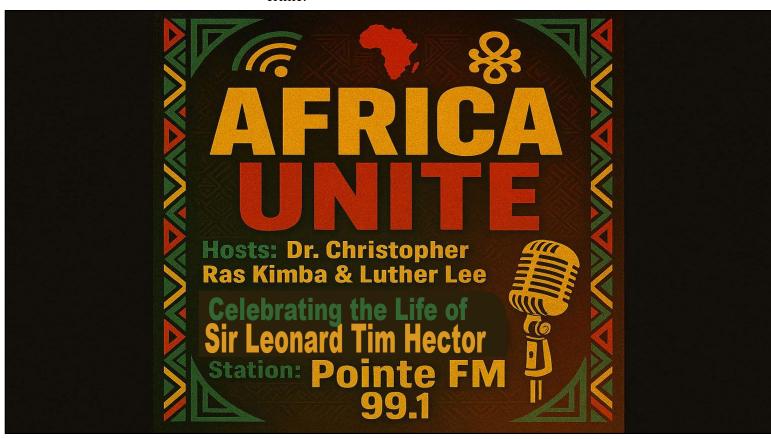
Taylor, who has been released on US\$20,000 bail, has been suspended and placed on half-pay pending the outcome of the case.

Taylor is also facing trial in connection with a plot to kill Elvardo Thompson Jr, who was murdered outside her home in Pinecrest Gardens on July 20, 2024.



Taylor is accused, along with four other people, of conspiring to murder Thompson and later committing the crime.

They are expected to be tried before Justice Neil Brathwaite next year. (CMC)



#### **Regional News**



### CARICOM leaders rally around Jamaica amid 'unprecedented' destruction

Nearly one million Jamaicans have been affected and more than 150,000 homes damaged or destroyed by Hurricane Melissa, prompting a major regional response led by Guyana, which has deployed Guyana Defence Force engineers to repair 200 roofs in hard-hit Westmoreland.

Prime Minister Andrew Holness shared the updated figures during a high-level CARICOM tour on Monday, calling the destruction "significant and unprecedented".

The storm has caused an estimated US\$8 billion in physical losses, severely straining Jamaica's recovery capacity.

Holness said Guyana's engineering corps will work with the Jamaica Defence Force, members of parliament and local councillors to identify the first households for rapid roof replacement.

"We estimate conservatively that about 900,000 Jamaicans have been impacted and roughly 150,000 homes destroyed," Holness said. "Every aid given and every commitment made must quickly advance the recovery and make Jamaica stronger."

Guyana President Irfaan Ali said the devastation in Westmoreland and St James as indescribable, saying only an on-the-ground visit reveals the magnitude of the crisis.

"You have to be here to see this devastation. There are no words," Ali said. "But the resilience and strength of the Jamaican people tell you everything about the Jamaican spirit."

Ali said Guyana will send additional manpower, equipment, food, water, tarpaulins, building supplies, chainsaws, generators and storage tanks as part of its wider relief mobilisation. The most urgent effort, he stressed, is



fast-tracking the first 200 roof repairs.

"We want to move very quickly to have 200 roofs completely redone, starting right here in this community," Ali said while speaking in Whitehouse, Westmoreland. "Prime Minister Holness has set a tight schedule to get everyone under some form of shelter before Christmas, and we will support that fully."

Antigua and Barbuda's Prime Minister Gaston Browne also voiced strong support, calling Jamaica's situation "significant" and urging residents to remain hopeful.

"We're here to stand in solidarity with Prime Minister Holness and the people of Jamaica," Browne said. "We are not new to hurricanes – they are always disruptive – but what you are facing now is enormous. To hear that as many as 900,000 people have been affected is significant."

Browne said his country would provide financial assistance and deploy soldiers to support the relief effort. He encouraged Jamaicans to "soldier on" and rebuild with confidence.

"We are resilient as Caribbean people, and this, too, shall pass. We rebuilt Barbuda after Hurricane Irma, and today it is significantly better than before. Jamaica can rebuild bigger and better, too," said Browne.

Grenada Prime Minister Dickon Mitchell echoed Browne's sentiments, saying Jamaica could count on the full support of the region.

"We wanted to show our solidarity with the government and people of Jamaica because we understand the challenges you are going through; we have gone through them ourselves," Mitchell said. "The support of our brothers and sisters in the region helped us to rebound, and we want to do the same for Jamaica."

Mitchell said CARICOM had repeatedly demonstrated its ability to recover from major disasters and would remain at Jamaica's side throughout the rebuilding process.

His comments came as Holness reaffirmed that disciplined fiscal management over the last decade had positioned Jamaica to galvanise international support quickly, even as the country faces massive revenue losses.

"Our financial situation is of great concern and must be managed carefully," Holness said. "But today I see opportunity, to rebuild better, stronger, and to fix what was wrong in the first place."

He assured residents that debris removal teams would be redeployed from St James to Whitehouse and Bluefields in Westmoreland within days, while modular homes are being procured for medium-term shelter.

The JDF has already set up a distribution hub to expand relief deliveries. Holness thanked residents for their patience: "If we work together, we can recover, just as we have before." (Jamaica Gleaner)



#### International

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#### **Eminem sues Australian beach brand 'Swim Shady'**

US rapper Eminem has taken legal action against an Australian beachwear company called Swim Shady, saying its name is too similar to his trademarked rap pseudonym Slim Shady.

In September, Eminem – whose real name is Marshall B Mathers III – filed a petition to the US Patent and Trademark Office, calling for it to cancel a trademark that was granted to the company. US law requires the company to respond to the petition by next week.

The 53-year-old rapper's lawyers accused the Sydney-based brand of creating a "false association" with Eminem.

Swim Shady told the BBC in a statement that it would "defend our valuable intellectual property".

The company's name was registered in September 2023, according to Australia's business regulator, having originally launching un-



der the name Slim Shade. It officially launched in 2024.

The brand sells portable beach umbrellas, swim bags and other beach accessories.

Earlier this year, the brand filed a trademark in the US for the term "Swim Shady", which was granted. Shortly afterwards, Eminem's team filed a petition to cancel the trademark.

Eminem has also filed an opposition to the brand's name in Australia.

"Swim Shady is a grass roots Australian company that was born out of a desire to produce stylish and effective sun shades and other items to protect from the harsh Australian sun," the company said, adding that it could not comment further due to the ongoing legal case.

Court documents show Eminem trademarked the name Slim Shady in the US in 1999 with the release of the eponymous album. However, he only filed a trademark for the Slim Shady name in Australia in January 2025.

Eminem shot into fame in 2000 with the release of his hit single The Real Slim

Shady, which earned him a Grammy for best rap solo performance.

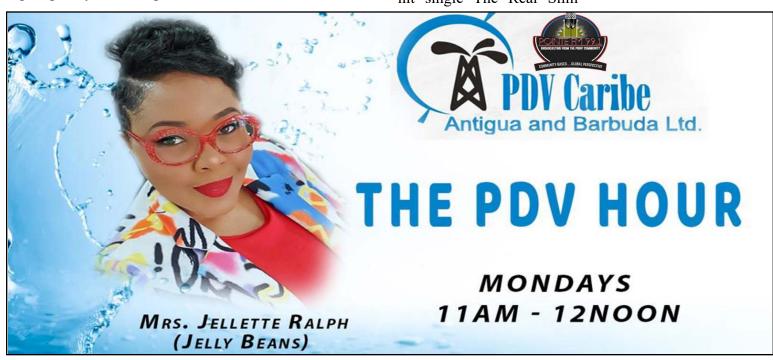
His lawyers said the name has become "distinctive and famous" and exclusively associated with his rap career.

Sydney intellectual property legal specialist firm Meyer West IP is listed as Swim Shady's legal representative.

Last year, an Australian court overturned an earlier ruling that US pop star Katy Perry infringed on the trademark of Australian designer Katie Perry.

The Australian designer sold clothes under her birth name and had accused the California Girls singer of trademark infringement when she sold merchandise during her 2014 Australian tour.

Katie Perry compared the legal clash at the time to a David and Goliath showdown. (BBC)



#### International



### Brazil creates new Indigenous territories during protest-hit COP30



COP30 host Brazil has created 10 new Indigenous territories, with the climate summit hit by protests in recent days.

The designation means the areas, including one in part of the Amazon, will have their culture and environment protected under Brazilian law - though this is not always enforced.

The move follows similar actions from President Luiz Inácio Lula da Silva, whose government recognised Indigenous possession of 11 territories last year. The latest measure will be formalised through a presidential decree.

It comes as thousands have protested at the UN's annual climate conference, with some carrying signs reading "demarcation now".

Earlier last week, demonstrators - some of whom were from Indigenous groups - carrying signs that read "our forests are not for sale" broke into the summit and tussled with security.

Security around the conference has since increased noticeably, with more armed soldiers and police at the entrance. Lots of Indigenous groups do not have accreditation to go inside.

More than 200 human rights groups

wrote to UN officials on Monday criticising the enhanced security, saying it "contributes to an increasing global trend towards the silencing of dissent, militarised response to protest, and marginalisation of those defending land and the environment".

Past recognition of Indigenous reserves banned mining and logging, as well as restricting commercial farming, in the areas they covered to prevent deforestation.

Expanding the total area considered Indigenous territory could prevent up to 20% of additional deforestation and reduce carbon emissions by 26% by 2030, according to a study by the Articulation of Indigenous Peoples of Brazil, the Amazon Environmental Research Institute and the Indigenous Climate Change Committee.

The new protected areas span hundreds of thousands of hectares and are inhabited by thousands of people from the Mura, Tupinambá de Olivença, Pataxó, Guarani-Kaiowá, Munduruku, Pankará, and Guarani-Mbya indigenous peoples.

One area overlaps more than 78% with the Amazon National Park, part of the bio-diverse rainforest which plays a crucial role in regulating the global climate and storing carbon.

The Brazilian government's announcement came on Indigenous Peoples' Day at COP30 on Monday.

Until the left-wing Lula re-entered office, no new Indigenous lands had been declared since 2018, it said.

Under his far-right predecessor, Jair Bolsonaro, who promoted mining on Indigenous lands, the protections afforded to them were frequently not enforced.

Lula's government has previously taken action to drive out illegal miners from indigenous lands.

Currently, Indigenous lands encompass 117.4 million hectares - roughly equivalent to the size of Colombia, or around 13.8% of Brazil's territory.

Hundreds of Indigenous groups live in Brazil, according to the country's census

The Amazon rainforest is already at risk of a renewed surge in deforestation as efforts grow to overturn a key ban to protect it. Thick and healthy forestry helps pull carbon out of the atmosphere.

Carbon released through the burning of fossil fuels has contributed to climate change.

Countries are gathering at COP30 in an effort to reach agreements on how to try to limit global average temperature rises to 1.5C above pre-industrial levels and keep them "well below" 2C.

The UN's Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change says a large body of scientific evidence shows that warming of 2C or more would bring serious consequences, including extreme heat, higher sea levels and threats to food security. (BBC)



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### At least 94 Palestinians died in Israeli prisons in two years, human rights group says

At least 94 Palestinian prisoners and detainees have died in Israeli custody in less than two years, a well-regarded Israeli human rights group says.

A new report by Physicians for Human Rights Israel (PHRI) alleges a practice of "systematic killings and cover-ups".

The report covers the period between 7 October 2023, when Hamas launched its deadly attack on Israel, sparking the latest conflict in Gaza, and 31 August 2025. It said fewer than 30 Palestinians died in Israeli custody in the 10 years prior.

The Israel Prison Service (IPS) told the BBC it "operates in accordance with the law and under the supervision of official oversight bodies".

It said it did not comment on figures or allegations from outside bodies.

"All inmates are held according to legal procedures, and their rights including access to medical care, hygiene, and adequate living conditions are upheld by professionally trained staff," the IPS added.

Since 7 October 2023, thousands of Palestinians have been detained across Gaza and the West Bank, many without charge.

PHRI said it had exposed a deeply concerning pattern of systematic human rights violations committed against Palestinians detained by Is-



rael and classified as "security prisoners".

It said this was carried out as part of an official policy implemented by Israeli authorities since the war began.

Israeli authorities have stopped providing information about Palestinians in custody to the Red Cross and barred access to detention facilities.

PHRI said its report is based on official records and data cross-referenced with forensic reports, information from other human rights groups and efforts to locate specific people, as well as testimony from detainees, their families and lawyers.

Its authors say 52 of those who died were being held in military prisons while 42 died in civilian jails run by the IPS.

PHRI says the deaths were caused by physical violence, medical neglect, or both.

It singles out the policies of Itamar Ben-Gvir, Israel's right-wing national security minister and a key member of Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu's coalition government.

PHRI said that, under Ben-Gvir's control, Israel's incarceration facilities holding Palestinians had "effectively been transformed into sites of torture and abuse".

It added daily physical violence was widespread, and that the deprivation of human rights and systematic torture had resulted in the deaths of dozens of Palestinians.

The highest number of deaths, 29, occurred at the Sde Teiman military prison in Southern Israel, near Gaza.

Five Israeli reservist soldiers have been charged with aggravated abuse and causing serious bodily harm, after a Palestinian prisoner was allegedly beaten and stabbed in the rectum with a sharp object at Sde Teiman in July 2024.

Footage emerged showing reserve soldiers taking a detainee aside and surrounding him with riot shields before he was allegedly attacked. The five reservists deny the charges and have not been named.

The alleged assault has divided the nation, with some right-wing politicians criticising a military police investigation and even some "right to rape" protests outside the jail.

The PHRI report accuses the Israeli authorities of trying to "cover up" and suppress investigations into Palestinian deaths and alleged abuses in custody.

In said that, in many cases, detainees' family members were not notified that their relatives had died and access to post-mortems was

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denied.

The report also said there had been a failure to prosecute Israeli prison staff and soldiers.

It examined a policy of what it called "forced disappearance", through which thousands of Palestinians have been detained without their families being notified or told where their relatives are being held.

PHRI said these "grave violations of international law" had made determining the full scope of Israel's prisoner policy and the fate of the many Palestinians taken into custody extremely difficult, if not impossible.

The group estimates the actual number of Palestinians killed could be higher than the number it has been able to document.

The IPS said "the claims described do not reflect the conduct or procedures of the Israel Prison Service, and we are not aware of the incidents as presented".

It continued: "Every death in IPS custody is examined in accordance with established procedures and referred to the competent authorities as required.

"For reasons of privacy, security, and legal limitations, the IPS does not provide personal or statistical details regarding inmates, nor does it comment on individual cases."

The Israel Defense Forces (IDF) said it operates "in accordance with Israeli and international law", and "detains individuals in Gaza when there is reasonable suspicion of their involve-

ment in terrorist activities".

It said that, in some cases, criminal proceedings were then initiated, while in others "preventive detention is enforced to remove individuals from the fighting, in full alignment with the Israeli law and the Geneva Conventions".

"Detention orders and their duration are subject to judicial review as required by law," it added. The IDF said it was aware of incidents of detainees dying in custody, but that these included people detained with existing illness or injury, adding each death was investigated by military police. (BBC)





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#### US House expected to approve resolution to release Epstein files

The US House of Representatives is expected to approve a measure that would compel the justice department to release the "Epstein files": documents that were amassed during investigations into late sex offender Jeffrey Epstein.

House Speaker Mike Johnson said he expected a "large vote tally" when the measure came to the floor of the Republican-led chamber on Tuesday, after President Donald Trump called on Republican lawmakers to approve it.

But the files may not be released soon, and it is unclear if some will be held back. After the House, the measure must also be approved by the Senate.

Survivors of Epstein's abuse are also due to appear on Capitol Hill on Tuesday in support of the measure.

On Monday evening, the group World Without Exploitation projected images of some survivors onto buildings throughout Washington, all less than a mile from Capitol Hill, with the message: "Congress, release all of the files."

Members of both parties who are calling for the release of the files believe that the information could implicate powerful figures in Epstein's crimes.

At various stages over the years, other Epstein-related materials have been put into the public domain. Last week, thousands of documents belonging to Epstein's estate were released by the House Oversight Committee, mostly emails.



These mention Trump and other high-profile individuals who were in Epstein's orbit, without implying any wrongdoing by those individuals.

Trump has maintained he did not commit any wrong-doing and that he ended his friendship with Epstein long before Epstein was first arrested.

On the campaign trail last Trump supported year, the release of the files, but moved away from that position once in office, provoking frustration from his supporters. The justice department put out a limited batch of documents in February and later said there would be no more releases. Lawmakers from both parties then began working on a resolution to force the release of all the files. Last week, at the end of the 43day federal shutdown, Johnson swore in the newest House member, who immediately signed onto the petition to consider the resolution, pushing it over the threshold needed for a vote. Trump, who had put pressure on fellow Republicans to reject the resolution, performed a U-turn on Sunday by saying he would support it after all.

Speaking to reporters the following evening, he confirmed that he would also sign the resolution into law, assuming it met the approval of both chambers of Congress.

"Sure I would," he said.
"Let the Senate look at it, let anybody look at it. But don't talk about it too much." That was because, Trump said, the issue was taking attention away from his administration's accomplishments.

"We've done a great job and I hate to see that deflect from the great job we've done," he said.

Representative Robert Garcia, the top Democrat on the House Oversight Committee that has been investigating the Epstein files, said Trump did not need to wait for the resolution to pass the House and then Senate.

"Let's be crystal clear: Trump has the power to release all the files today," he said in a statement on Monday in which he accused Trump of wanting "to deflect and slow down our investigation."

Representative Thomas Massie, a Republican who drew Trump's ire by pushing for the release, told CNN he was "a little bit suspicious of this sudden turn of events" but believed the total number of votes supporting the resolution on Tuesday would be "very big".

"We're worried that maybe they'll try to muck it up in the Senate," he added, referring to the possibility that the Republican-dominated upper chamber would change the resolution once that chamber took it up.

Speaker Johnson said on Monday he had issues with how the measure had been drafted and took "some comfort" that the Senate would "be able to correct some of those concerns that we have, the protection of victims and whistle-blowers and all the rest".

Changing the measure could slow passage in the Senate. More time could then be required to reconcile the two chambers' different measures into one final version for Trump to sign.

Attorney General Pam Bondi last week said the justice department was beginning federal investigations into former President Bill Clinton, former Treasury Secretary Larry Summers, and others who were mentioned in documents from the Epstein estate that the House Oversight Committee recently released.

The House resolution currently says Bondi can withhold documents that "would jeopardise an active federal investigation or ongoing prosecution". (BBC)



#### **Sports News**



#### Bethesda gets first win in Second Division



Players of the Cutting Edge women's football team

Bethesda FC claimed their first win in the Antigua and Barbuda Football Association's (ABFA) Second Division League on Monday.

After salvaging a 2-2 draw with CPTSA Wings in the opening encounter, Bethesda snatched a 2-1 victory against Earthquake FC at the Fort Road playing field on Monday.

Oshale Simon gave Bethesda a one-nil halftime lead with a 10th-minute conversion. Marlon Matthew equalized for Earthquake with a strike in the 58th minute.

Chunsae Martin secured victory for Bethesda by converting a penalty kick

in the 76th minute. It was the first outing for Earthquake after their opening match against Young Warriors was postponed on Saturday.

Police launched their campaign in the Second Division with a 4-2 victory against JSC Progressors at the St. Johnstone's Village Stadium.

Shakeem Donte Lanquedoc scored twice for Police with conversions in the 43rd and 66th minutes. The other goals for Police were scored by Dimitri Scotland in the 35th minute and Carl Kirby in the 45th minute.

Akeem Wilburg had a 23rd-minute conversion,

and Jahmaya Ijasha Gilkes scored in the 36th minute for JSC Progressors.

On the other hand, Five Islands FC and Swetes Vipers played to a 1-1 draw in the First Division League at the Mock Pond playing field in All Saints on Monday.

Both goals came in the first half as Daniel Williams scored in the 30th minute for Five Islands, and Vashawn James snatched the equalizer for Swetes with a 36th-minute conversion.

Five Islands advanced to seven points after claiming their first draw in four matches. Swetes moved on to two points after salvaging their second draw in four games.

Meanwhile, Cutting Edge FC has joined Wadadli United at the top of the standings in the 2025 Calvin Ayre Foundation (CAF) Antigua and Barbuda Football Association's (ABFA) Women's Premier League.

Cutting Edge FC became joint leaders of the women's league by cruising to a 4-0 victory against bottom team Lady Masters FC at the ABFA Technical Center.

Brianna Auguiste had a double conversion with strikes in the 36th and 69th minutes. The other goals were scored by Jordyn Henriques in the 13th minute and Ajahna Martin in the 56th minute.

Their third win in five matches carries Cutting Edge FC to 10 points, the same as unbeaten joint-leaders Wadadli United, who have a game in hand.

Lady Masters FC remains winless and at the bottom of the five-team round-robin women's league without any points after crashing to their fourth defeat in as many games.

#### **Sports News**



#### More success for TG Welding in Mandy Premier League

TG Welding secured another victory during the latest round of matches in the Mandy Premier League (MPL), Cool and Smooth, and Sherma Jackson Business Softball Cricket League.

TG Welding notched up their third win in as many games with a 68-run victory over Buck and Sons Landscaping Services in the 10-over competition.

TG Welding made 121 for six off their 10 overs. Male player of the match Deran Benta slammed 58, including nine sixes, Essan Warner struck 21, and Demari Benta scored 15.

Kimberly Anthony bagged three for 17, and Ramjohn Charanlall claimed two for 14.

In reply, Buck and Sons crashed to 53 all out in 6.5 overs. Randino Turner scored 19, and Steve Martin made 13.

Dorian Grant snapped up four for 14, female player of the game Ann Anthony picked up two wickets for seven runs, and Hughan Tonge captured two for 21.

After launching their campaign with a 14-run loss to Buck and Sons Landscaping Services, the Antigua and Barbuda Defense Force (ABDF) rebounded to claim their first win with a 19-run victory against PEL Workers.

The ABDF scored 101 for three off their 10 overs. Male player of the game Ronell Jeffery cracked 58 not out, and Tron Payne struck 23. Isiah Viville, Byon Bailey, and Kurt Douglas each



Deran Benta

picked up a wicket.

In reply, the PEL Workers were restricted to 87 for three despite being awarded 18 penalty runs. Isiah Viville hit a top score of 48 not out.

Tyron Payne snapped up two wickets for three runs, and female player of the game Mouricia Willette picked up one wicket for two runs.

After suffering a 92-run loss to TG Welding in their opening match, Construction Solutions hit back to claim their first win with a 27-run victory over Long Island Lightning, who were playing their first match in the competition.



Menova Govia

Construction Solutions made 89 for five off their 10 overs. Denfield Roach smashed 36 not out, and male player of the match Ashfield Weatherhead scored 25.

Rachael Greaves, Tony Straker, and Terence Thompson each picked up a wicket.

In reply, Lightning were dismissed for 62 in 7.5 overs. Tony Straker scored 15, and Akino Barthley made 14.

Ashfield Weatherhead snapped up three wickets for six runs, Kenny Benjamin grabbed three wickets for eight runs, and female player of the game Menova Govia captured one for 15.





#### **Sports News**



#### Teams begin battle for regional Super50 Cup

dies (CWI) 2025 CG United Super50 Cup will commence in Trinidad and Tobago on Wednesday (today).

The 50-over competition will bowl off with three matches on Wednesday, November 19.

The Leeward Islands Hurricane will take on the Windward Islands Volcanoes at the Brian Lara Cricket Academy, the Jamaica Scorpions will face the Guyana Harpy Eagles at Queen's Park Oval, and Trinidad and Tobago Red Force will meet Barbados Pride at Sir Frank Worrell Cricket Ground (UWI SPEC).

This year's marquee 50-over regional tournament will be taking place under a restructured from Wednesday, November 19, to Saturday, November 29.

Changes have been made to this year's tournament against the backdrop of a challenging financial period for Cricket West Indies.

Only the traditional teams from the six territorial boards will be competing with the West Indies Academy and Combined Campuses and Colleges (CCC) outfits being excluded for this year.

As a result, the rivalry returns with a shift from the traditional 31-match, eight team layout to an abbreviated round-robin structure, with the top two teams qualifying directly for the final.

The rivalry will be highly charged, with the six franchises aiming to bring home the championship purse of US\$100,000, with US\$50,000 being awarded to the

The restructured Cricket West In-runner-up, while the 3rd-and-4thplaced teams will each take home US\$25,000.

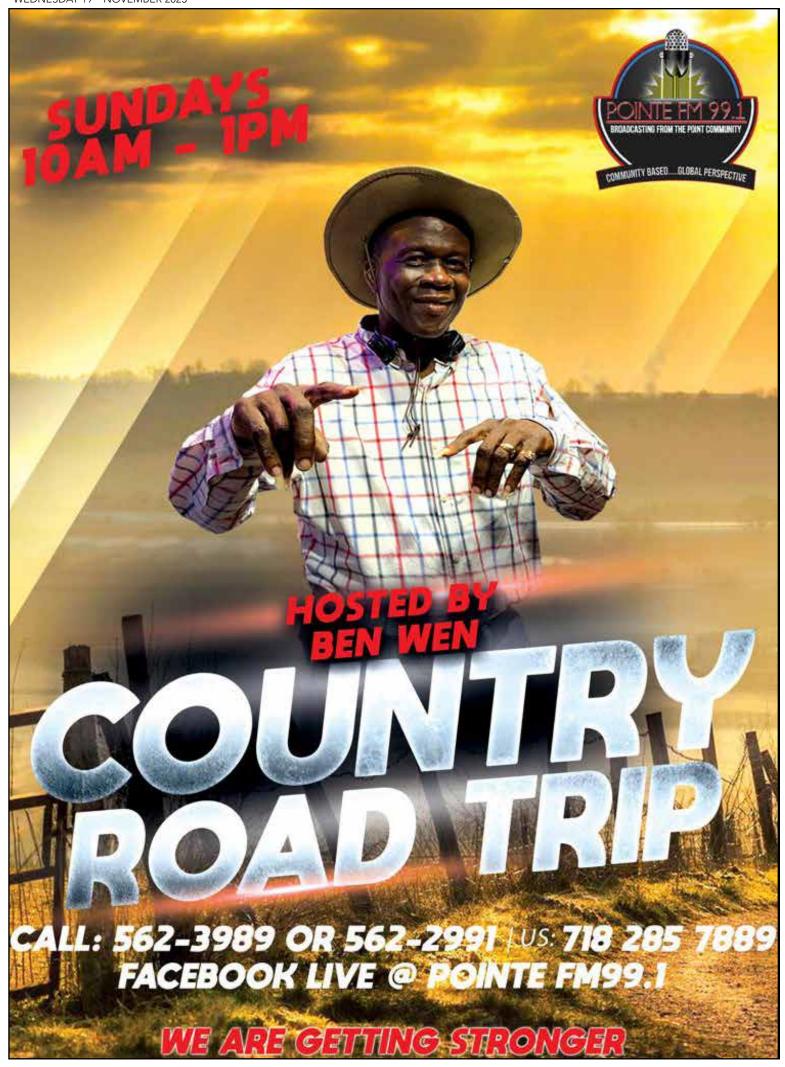
> No champion was crowned last year in an anticlimax conclusion to the 2024 CG United Super50 Cup, with both finalists, Barbados Pride and Jamaica Scorpions forfeiting the final, which was slated to be played at the Brian Lara Cricket Academy in Tarouba, Trinidad, on Saturday, November 23.

Consequently, Cricket West Indies

announced that there is no champion for the 2024 competition. The tournament's organizers made the announcement following a heavily rain-affected final match day.

However, Trinidad and Tobago won the competition in 2023, defeating the Leeward Islands Hurricane by seven wickets via the Duckworth Lewis Stern (DLS) method in a rain affected final at the Brian Lara Cricket Academy in Trinidad on November 11.





#### **Sports News**



#### Squads named for 2025 CG United Super50 Cup

Cricket West Indies (CWI) has confirmed the squads of the six regional teams participating in the upcoming 2025 CG United Super50 Cup in Trinidad.

Beginning Wednesday, November 19, and concluding Saturday, November 29, matches will take place at three venues across the island – Brian Lara Cricket Academy (BLCA), Queen's Park Oval (QPO) and Sir Frank Worrell Cricket Ground (UWI SPEC), with the final on 29 November to be held at BLCA.

Entry to all matches will be free, with games at BLCA beginning at 2 pm, while matches at QPO and UWI SPEC will bowl off at 9 am.

Matches at BLCA will be broadcast live on ESPN Caribbean, ESPN+, Disney+ and Fancode (India), while matches at QPO and UWI SPEC will be streamed live with commentary on the Windies Cricket YouTube channel.

The CG United Super50 Cup 2025 Squads: Trinidad and Tobago Red Force: Joshua Da Silva Navin Bidai-(captain), see, Yannic Cariah, Bryan Charles, Cephas Cooper, Jyd Goolie, Terrance Hinds, Jaipaul, Ricky Joshua James, Jason Mohammed, Kjorn Ottley, Shatrughan Rambaran, Abdul-Raheem Toppin, and Tion Webster. Head Coach: Rayad Emrit.

**Jamaica Scorpions**: Brad Barnes (captain), Andre Bailey, Jermaine Black-



Leeward Islands all-rounder Justin Greaves, center, shakes hand with a Barbados Pride batsman at the end of their match in the CG United Super50 Cup in Trinidad in 2024. (CWI Media)

wood, Carlos Brown, Khari Campbell, Javelle Glenn, Jordan Johnson, Kirk McKenzie, Marquino Mindley, Romaine Morris, Abhijai Mansingh, Jeavor Royal, Tamarie Redwood, and Peat Salmon. **Head Coach:** Robert Haynes.

Barbados Pride: Kyle Mayers (captain), Joshua Bishop, Leniko Boucher, Kraigg Brathwaite, Dominic Drakes. Jonathan Drakes. Akeem Jordan. Matthew Jones, Javed Leacock, Zachary McCaskie, Demetrius Richards, Kemar Smith, Kevin Wickham, and Nyeem Young. Head Coach: Vasbert Drakes.

Windwards Volcanoes: Teddy Bishop (captain), Sunil Ambris, McKenny Clarke, Darel Cyrus, Kenneth Dember, Shadrack Descarte, Dillon Douglas, Keon Gaston, Johann Jeremiah, Daniel McDonald, Kimani Melius, Kirtsen Murray, Darron Nedd, and Stephan Pascal. Head Coach: Keon Peters.

Leeward Islands Hurri-

wood, Carlos Brown, Khari canes: Karima Gore (cap-Campbell, Javelle Glenn, tain), Jewel Andrew, Carlon Jordan Johnson, Kirk McKenzie, Marquino Mindley, Cornwall, Daniel Doram, Nathan Edward, Chamiqueko Gumbs-Landefort, Jahmar Hamilton, Kofi James, Mikyle Louis, Micah Mckenzie, Ishmael Peters, Oshane Thomas, and Tyrone Williams. **Head Coach**: Steve Liburd.

Guyana Harpy Eagles: Matthew Nandu (captain), Antony Adams, Ronaldo Alimohamed, Kevlon Anderson, Shamar Apple, Mavendra Dindyal, Thaddeus Lovell, Richie Looknauth, Gudakesh Motie, Keemo Paul, Raymond Perez, Kemol Savory, Junior Sinclair, and Sylus Tyndall. Head Coach: Ryan Hercules.

#### NOTICE

18th November 2025 TO: Your Worship, Chief Magistrate St. John's Magistrate Court High Street St. John's Antigua

TO: The Commission of Police Police Headquarters American Road St. John's Antigua

Dear sir/ Madam,

Re: Notice Application for Bottle License

I, Kenny Allen of Swetes village, with registered business situated at New Street on Corn Alley St. John's Antigua and Barbuda DO HEREBY GIVE NOTICE that it is my intention to apply at the next sitting of liquor licensing Court to be held at the Magistrate's Court, High Street, St. John's, Antigua on Monday 5th January, 2026 next ensuring for a Bottle License Pursuant to section (11) (5) of the Licensing (Intoxication Liquor) Act Cap. 249 of the Laws of Antigua and Barbuda 1992 Revised Edition, in respect of premises known as "Hardball Barbershop" situated at New Street On Corn Alley in the parish of St. John's, Antigua and Barbuda.

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#### PMS suffers first defeat in Under-16 Boys Division League

The Princess Margaret School (PMS) suffered their first loss in defense of their Under-16 Boys Division league title in the Ministry of Sports, Cool and Smooth, and Joma Patrick C. Whyte Cup Secondary Schools' Football Competition on Monday.

After winning all previous five matches, PMS' unbeaten start to the competition came to an end in a 2-1 defeat to the St. Joseph's Academy at the Keithley Sheppard Recreational Park.

Sadiq Williams had a 15th-minute conversion, and Ajabe Rae scored the winner in the 32nd minute for St. Joseph's Academy to advance to 12 points after securing their fourth win in five matches.

Allan Henry scored in the 17th minute for Princess Margaret, who slipped from first to second in the standings with 15 points after suffering their first loss in six matches.

The Ottos Comprehensive School extended their unbeaten run by recording their fifth win in six matches with a 4-0 victory against Irene B. Williams Secondary at the Keithley Sheppard Recreational Park to jump to the top of the standings by advancing to 16 points.

Robert Jeffrey struck a hat trick with conversions in the second, 15th, and 36th minutes, and Tevoi Grey scored the other goal for Ottos Comprehensive School in the 44th minute.

Irene B. Williams Secondary remains on six points after suffering



Ajabe Rae of St. Joseph's Academy their third defeat in five outings.

Antigua Grammar School remains unbeaten and slipped to third place with 14 points by claiming their fourth win in six matches with a 3-0 victory against All Saints Secondary at the Mock Pond playing field in All Saints.

The goals for Antigua Grammar School were scored by Tafari Parker in the 20th minute, Chace Joseph in the 43rd, and Omarr James in the 50th minute.

All Saints Secondary remain on nine points after suffering their third



Tafari Parker of Antigua Grammar School loss in six matches.

The Sir Novelle Richards Academy notched up their third win in four matches with a 2-0 victory against Jennings Secondary School at the Mock Pond playing field.

The result carries Sir Novelle Richards Academy to nine points, while Jennings Secondary remains on three points after suffering their fourth loss in five games.

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