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Editorial

A Double Dose of Patriotic Goodness

This week has delivered what many could only be described as a double dose of patriotic goodness.

In a moment that sparked pride across timelines and group chats, our national flag was featured in highlighting the Americas during the Super Bowl halftime performance on Sunday night by Grammy-award Puerto Rican rapper Bad Bunny.

Also, the reigning Junior Calypso Monarch 10-year-old Coryn Clarke, proudly representing St. Kitts and Nevis, captured international attention by winning Machel Montano's "Gih Dem Performance" social media challenge-earning the grand prize of a live performance opportunity being featured on 'Madness Monday' in her birth country of Trinidad and Tobago during the carnival festivities.

There is no denying it - we love to see it.

We love to share the posts and see the reposts. We love the celebratory captions filled with flag emojis and affirmations of national pride. We love the collective 'That's we country' echoing across social media platforms. And truthfully, it is a good look.

Moments like these remind us that even as a small twin-island Federation, our talent and our symbols can command global attention. For those at home, it reinforces that greatness can emerge from our soil. For those in the diaspora, it rekindles connection and belonging. These instances of international visibility serve as emotional unifiers - brief but powerful reminders that we are part of something bigger than ourselves.

But here is the deeper question: What happens after the applause fades?

Patriotism cannot exist only in moments of spectacle. It cannot be seasonal. It cannot be activated solely by viral posts or international validation. True patriotism is not performance-based - it is practice-based.

It is easy to wave a flag when the spotlight is on us. It is far more difficult to embody national pride in the quiet, everyday decisions that shape our country's future. Patriotism is not just about celebrating when one of our own wins abroad; it is about ensuring that the environment at home nurtures many more winners.



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St. Kitts and Nevis

NOTICE TO DECLARANTS IN PUBLIC LIFE – ST. KITTS

As the year 2025 has come to a close, all Public Officials who are required to file Declarations with the Integrity Commission, are encouraged to begin organizing their supporting documents. Kindly be reminded that the deadline for submitting your **2025 Declarations of Assets, Liabilities, and Interests** is **April 30, 2026**.

Public officials who resigned, retired, or otherwise demitted office between **January 1 2024 to present**, you are required to file Declarations for a period of up to **two (2) years** following your departure from office.

Declaration Forms may be downloaded from the Commission's website: www.iplskn.com.

Please note that **incomplete, unsigned, or unsupported declarations will not be accepted**. Such deficiencies will result in the declaration being treated as **non-filed**. In this regard, all declaration envelopes must remain **unsealed until they are verified during the submission process**.

All Declarants are advised to take note and act in accordance with these requirements.

Dated this 5th day of February 2026.

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Do we support our young creatives consistently-not just when they trend?

Do we invest enough in local platforms that cultivate talent?

Do we challenge mediocrity and push for excellence across sectors -from education to governance to entrepreneurship?

If we truly feel the swell of pride when Coryn Clarke shines on an international stage, then we must also ask ourselves whether we are building systems that make such success sustainable rather than exceptional.

This reflection is particularly timely as we observe Black History Month. February is more than symbolic recognition; it is a reminder of the resilience, innovation and sacrifice of our fore parents. The strides we celebrate today were built on foundations laid by those who dared to believe in a future they might never see.

Our ancestors did not practice convenient patriotism. Their commitment to community upliftment was costly. It required courage, discipline and a long-term vision of collective advancement.

So as we cheer the regional and

international wins, we must also recommit to nation-building at home.

Patriotism must show up in how we treat each other.

It must show up in how we mentor the next generation.

It must show up in how we protect our institutions and demand accountability.

It must show up in how we support local businesses, artists, and innovators - even before the world notices them.

A flag on the Super Bowl stage is a powerful image. A young Kittitian-Nevisian talent earning recognition from one of the Caribbean's biggest entertainers is an inspiring achievement. These moments matter. They uplift us. They remind us of what is possible.

But the real test of patriotism is not how loudly we celebrate success. It is how deliberately we cultivate it.

And if we can carry that spirit forward - beyond the spotlight, beyond the spectacle -then the next time our flag appears on a global stage, it will not simply be a moment of excitement.

It will be the natural outcome of a people who never stopped repping their country - in thought, in action and in purpose.

Hanley Addresses STEP Reform Amid Social Media Claims

By: Spokesman Newsroom

BASSETERRE, St. Kitts (Thursday 12th February 2026)-Deputy Prime Minister and Minister with responsibility for the Skills Training Empowerment Programme (STEP), Dr. Geoffrey Hanley has dismissed social media claims that workers are being sent home, stating “We are not firing anybody.”

He made the disclosure during the sitting of the National Assembly on Thursday 12th February 2026, responding to a social media letter regarding the STEP Programme and outlining government’s reform efforts aimed at sustainability and shared responsibility with businesses.

Dr. Hanley shared: “... I saw something out there in the social media and as the minister with responsibility, I would not allow the social media to mislead the nation.”

According to him: “... when I see in the social media the letter that was sent to a particular business giving the impression, in the article, that we are running home people; people are going to be losing their jobs- Madame Speaker, absolutely rubbish. We are not firing anybody. All were are asking the businesses to do is to partner with the government so that we will be able to invest more in people.”

He highlighted that the reform discussions are not new.

“As you are aware, Madame Speaker, probably from since 2023, I have been speaking about the need for us to reform the STEP programme in this honourable house.”

He explained the original intent of the initiative, saying: “The original objective of the program was to facilitate employment of participants by providing them training to assist with achieving a long-term vision for development of our human capital and of course entrepreneurial skills. The plan, Madame Speaker, was to create a more efficient system to assist a large number of unskilled persons to successfully integrate into the workforce. The programme was also designed to assist trainees with this stipend and of course with the intention of them moving on but now”

Reflecting on the programme’s longevity, he stated: “...this programme has stuck with us...starting in 2012 and sad to say that there are some persons who are still on the program assigned to a number of businesses we were charged with the mandate of doing reform.”

Dr. Hanley outlined steps taken toward reform which includes work being carried out by a committee put in place.

“We put a committee in place with a number of professionals who shared their report with the cabinet. And what we are doing, Madame Speaker, is ensuring that we bring the program to a sustainable level. Now, part of the reform speaker was to dialogue with the businesses that persons are assigned to, and we have been doing those consultations. Matter of fact, most of them were done last year and they were all written to, indicating to them our intentions. Many of them came in, Madame Speaker, [and] sat with the team at the office and agreed that something had to be done.”

He added: “We are grateful to those who from the very onset said ‘I can do 50-50’. We are happy with that. There are some who brought in their statements and were able to say to us, at this time, ‘I can only do 60-40. I do 40, the program does the 60 as things get better’, and we welcomed those and every business would have been communicated or if they’re not in the batch; all will be. And all we’re asking Madame Speaker, is for these businesses after 10, 11 years you have persons assigned to you, it is only fair for you to now consider firstly partnering with us-sharing so that we’ll be able to help more persons who are in need of that assistance and eventually, we move towards you fully employing these people. I am very mindful, Madame Speaker, of the society that we are living in and very often when things are shown in the social media, we take it for gospel.”

Quoting scripture, he said: “But I am reminded this morning, in Proverbs 12 and 27, ‘Whoever is slothful will not roast his game, but the diligent man will get precious wealth’.”

He continued: “Basically what this scripture is saying to us, Madam Speaker, it highlights the danger of laziness and the value of using resources wisely. We know the programme has been a blessing to a number of persons and will continue to be a blessing but we cannot allow the programme to continue the way it is going otherwise we might end up in some serious problems. So when I see in the social media the letter that was sent to a particular business giving the impression, in the article, that we are running home people; people are going to be losing their jobs- Madame Speaker, absolutely rubbish. We are not firing anybody. All were are asking the businesses to do is to partner with the government so that we will be able to invest more in people.”

Dr. Hanley further stated: “because the reality is Madame Speaker, many of us would have been talking about how the programme; the persons not working and that kind of stuff and now we are trying to reorganize because the former administration promised reform and of course that didn’t happen, and we are doing that.”

Front Page Photo: Deputy Prime Minister and Minister with responsibility for the Skills Training Empowerment Programme (STEP), Dr. Geoffrey Hanley speaks during the sitting of the National Assembly on Thursday 12th February 2026.



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CDU Hosts Developmental Session For Kindergarten Teachers

Basseterre, St. Kitts, Thursday, February 12, 2026: The Curriculum Development Unit (CDU) hosted a developmental session for kindergarten teachers, focusing on the theme 'Plants and Animals', as outlined in the New Enhanced Curriculum that is being piloted.

Today's session brought together teachers to review classroom experiences, evaluate instructional approaches, and plan improvements for curriculum delivery.

Mrs. Amanda Serrant-Edmeade, Director of the Curriculum Development Unit, explained that the team gathered to evaluate early results and determine strategies for better classroom implementation.

"We began the pilot in October 2025. The curriculum is very new and very different, and we are having challenges throughout the region. At the end of January, we met as a team to discuss the feedback that had been observed so far and to look at the areas of improvement in instruction using the curriculum."

The session brought together teachers from various schools to strengthen their understanding of the themes and explore effective strategies for classroom implementation. Teachers were also encouraged to integrate cross-curricular connections, linking science concepts with literacy, numeracy, and creative



expression. Strategies for observation, questioning, and assessment were discussed to ensure that children not only gain knowledge but also develop curiosity and critical thinking skills.

The CDU reaffirmed its commitment to supporting teachers through continuous professional development initiatives. By equipping educators with practical tools and updated curriculum guidance, the Unit aims to ensure that kindergarten students receive a strong foundation in understanding the world around them.



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THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN SUPREME COURT
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PROBATE NO. SKBHPB2026/

In the estate of **JOAN FRANCES HARRINGTON**, late of 1990 Embers Court, Middleburg, Florida 32068, United States of America and Potato Bay, Saint Kitts, deceased

NOTICE

TAKE NOTICE that an application has been filed by **JOHN HARRINGTON** of 1300 Club House Drive, Chesapeake, Virginia 23322, United States of America, Paediatrician for a Grant of

- (a) Probate of the Will of the above named deceased who died on the 22nd day of May, 2023 without revoking a will bearing the date of the 21st day of October, 2005 wherein the applicant is named executor.

ANY PERSON having any objection to the grant of Probate to the applicant shall file an objection within 14 days of the publication of this Notice.

DATED this 11th day of February, 2026.

Sonya Parry
Attorney-at-Law
GONSALVES PARRY

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PROBATE NO. SKBHPB2026/

In the estate of **WILFRED RICHARDS**, late of No. 57 New Road Housing, St. Peter, in the Island of Saint Christopher, deceased

NOTICE

TAKE NOTICE that an application has been filed by **SHEILA RICHARDS** and **ERICKSON RICHARDS** both of No. 57 New Road Housing, St. Peter, in the Island of Saint Christopher, Retiree and Teacher respectively, for a Grant of

- (a) Letters of Administration to the applicants who are the widow and son of the deceased, the deceased having died intestate on the 10th day of September, 2025.

ANY PERSON having any objection to the grant of Letters of Administration to the applicants shall file an objection within 14 days of the publication of this Notice.

DATED this 5th day of February, 2026.

Sonya Parry
Attorney-at-Law
GONSALVES PARRY

New App And Website To Put Consumer Power In The Palm Of Consumers' hands

Basseterre, Saint Kitts, February 12, 2026 (SKNIS): Consumers in Saint Kitts and Nevis will be further empowered when shopping for essential goods through the use of the new SKN Smart Shopper App and accompanying website that will be launched on Wednesday, February 18, 2026.

Director Paul Queeley and Communication Officer, Tricia Delaney of the Department of Consumer Affairs (CAD), as well as Programme Manager, Christopher Herbert of the Digital Transformation Unit, appeared on this week’s edition of InFocus to build public awareness about the new digital tools to enhance consumer rights and protection.

A price tracking feature allows consumers to monitor the cost of basic foods in the essential basket of goods. These basic goods, such as chicken, meats, fish, toilet paper, corn meals, flour, sardines, toothpaste, margarine, detergent etc. cannot be sold above a range prescribed by the government.

“Consumers are aware of their rights. They want value for their money, so by launching [the website and apps] now, we give them access to prices in the market, transparency, persons will not be able to price gouge because all of the prices will be listed from the various suppliers or supermarkets so they will be able to see who is selling it at a higher cost ... and they can alter their purchases to best suit their pocket,” Mr. Queeley stated.

Other features allow consumers to submit complaints directly to the Department of Consumer Affairs, while staff members in the field will record their findings on a tablet and submit warnings. An e-ticketing system allows real-time penalties for violators. Most importantly, a user-friendly summary of the consumer protection laws, as well as a link to the related legislation, is available directly on the app and website.



Photo: (right to left) Director Paul Queeley and Communication Officer, Tricia Delaney of the Department of Consumer Affairs (CAD), as well as Programme Manager, Christopher Herbert of the Digital Transformation Unit.

“The app presents clear, simple, consumer-related information on the go, so even though we have a website, they are distinctly equal,” said Mrs. Delaney, while encouraging everyone to visit the website or download the SKN Smart Shoppers app when they are launched on February 18, 2026.

Mr. Herbert commended the strong working relationship between the CAD Team and the staff at the Digital Transformation Unit that led to the intuitive and user-friendly look and feel of the app and website. He added that extensive measures and protocols were used to ensure that the digital tools are safe, stable, reliable and secure.



FEDERATION OF SAINT CHRISTOPHER AND NEVIS

SAINT CHRISTOPHER CIRCUIT

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In the matter of Section 144 of the Title by Registration Act, Cap. 10:19 and in the matter of an Application on behalf of **ELIZA MILLS** for the issue of a new Certificate of Title for a lot of land containing **4,818 square feet** being **Lot No. 60 of Tamarind Tree Housing Development** situate in the Parish of Saint Mary in the Island of Saint Christopher, to replace a lost Certificate of Title registered in **Book H3 Folio 572** of the Register of Titles for the Island of Saint Christopher

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR REPLACEMENT OF LOST CERTIFICATE OF TITLE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that **ELIZA MILLS** of Phillips Road, Molineux in the Island of Saint Christopher has applied to the Registrar of Titles for the issue of a replacement Certificate of Title in lieu of the following Certificate of Title on the basis that the said original Certificate of Title has been irrecoverably lost by misadventure, namely a Certificate of Title dated **19th December 2008** and registered in **Book H3 Folio 572** of the Register of Titles for Saint Christopher, the land contained in the said Certificate of Title being **ALL THAT** lot of land hereditaments and premises being **Lot No. 60 of Tamarind Tree Housing Development** in the Parish of Saint Mary in the Island of Saint Christopher containing by admeasurement **4,818 square feet** bounded and measuring as follows: On or towards the North-East by a Development Road, 44.00 feet, On or towards the South-East by Lot No. 59, 90.00 feet, On or towards the South-West by lands of Lodge Estate, 54.18 feet and On or towards the North-West by a Development Road 14.15 feet. Any person who may be in possession of the aforesaid Certificate of Title or may have information that may lead to its recovery is requested to notify Bryant & Liburd, Shear Lane, Basseterre, St. Kitts, Tel. No. (869) 465-2756/1047 or email bryantandliburd@hotmail.com, Attorneys-at Law for the Applicant.

DATED the 30th day of January 2026

Bryant & Liburd

Attorneys-at Law for the Applicant

Case Number: **SKBHPB2026/**

THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN SUPREME COURT FEDERATION

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In the Estate of **Shauna Clydella Bass** late of 5035 Eliza's Retreat, Christiansted, Saint Croix, U.S. Virgin Islands, deceased.

ADVERTISEMENT OF APPLICATION FOR GRANT

TAKE NOTICE that an application has been filed by **Ayoko Iesha Mariske Bass Allen** of 577 EST. Castle Burke, Frederiksted, St. Croix, U.S. Virgin Islands, Sales Representative, for a Grant of Probate of the Will of the above-named deceased who died on the 2nd day of May, 2021 without revoking a Will bearing the 8th day of March 2021 wherein the Applicant is named Sole Executrix.

Any person having an objection to the Grant of Letters of Administration shall file an objection within 14 days of the publication of this Notice.

Dated 2nd day of February, 2026

Angelina Gracy Sookoo-Bobb

Attorney-At-Law for the Applicant

This Advertisement of Application for Grant is filed by **Angelina Gracy Sookoo-Bobb** of **Sookoo Bobb** who is duly authorised to act as Counsel for and to accept service on behalf of the Applicant. The address for service for the Applicant is Unit A7, The Sands Complex, Bay Road, Basseterre, Saint Kitts. Tel. (869) 466-2622 [BOBB]/ 766-2622 [BOBB] Email: info@s-blegal.com (Office), agsookoo@s-blegal.com (direct).

The Court Office is at S.W. Tapley Seaton Court Annex, East Independence Square Street, Basseterre, Saint Kitts. Tel: (869) 467 -1335, FAX 465-2482 The office is open between 9:00 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Mondays to Fridays except Public Holidays.

Minister Henderson Assumes Chairmanship Of The OECS Council Of Ministers For Tourism At 9th Meeting In Saint Kitts

Basseterre, Saint Kitts, February 11, 2026 (SKNIS): The Honourable Marsha T. Henderson, Minister of Tourism for Saint Kitts and Nevis, officially assumed the chairmanship of the Organisation of Eastern Caribbean States (OECS) Council of Ministers: Tourism during the opening ceremony of the Council's 9th Meeting, being held in Saint Kitts from February 11–12, 2026.

In her opening address earlier today, Minister Henderson emphasised that tourism today transcends being merely a sector of economic activity, and has now become the pulse of national economies across the OECS. She underscored that tourism remains the region's most significant export, directly influencing employment, foreign exchange earnings, infrastructure development, and community livelihoods.

"No single member state can afford to operate in isolation," Minister Henderson stated. "Our competitiveness, our resilience, and our relevance will increasingly depend on how well we function as a region."

Speaking to the theme of regional integration, Minister Henderson urged OECS member states to move beyond traditional, siloed approaches to hospitality and embrace a coordinated, data-driven regional tourism industry — one that is "integrated by design, resilient by strategy, and capable of withstanding the volatility of the global market."

Minister Henderson expressed appreciation to the outgoing chair, the Honourable Adrian Thomas, Minister of Tourism for Grenada, for his steady and thoughtful leadership. She pledged to build on the momentum established under his stewardship, ensuring that "the torch passed today continues to illuminate a path toward deeper integration and a more cohesive OECS tourism product."

The minister outlined a rigorous two-day agenda focused on key priorities requiring collective regional action, including enhancing intra-regional connectivity to ensure that the OECS



Honourable Marsha T. Henderson, Minister of Tourism for Saint Kitts and Nevis

functions as a truly connected and accessible space for both regional and international travelers; harmonising investment and sustainability standards to attract responsible investment that protects environmental assets, strengthens communities, and drives equitable growth; and leveraging shared data and market intelligence to anticipate global tourism trends and position the OECS as a proactive leader in the global tourism landscape.

"These are not abstract ambitions," Minister Henderson said. "They are practical steps toward a more efficient, competitive, and resilient tourism ecosystem — one that benefits every single member state while preserving our individual identities."

The OECS Council of Ministers: Tourism, serves as the principal body guiding the region's collective tourism strategy, with a strong focus on sustainability, connectivity, and competitiveness.

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FEDERATION OF ST. CHRISTOPHER AND NEVIS

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SCHEDULE OF APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATES OF TITLE AND NOTING THEREON FOR THE WEEK

ENDING THE 13th DAY OF February, 2026.

Date of Request	Person Presenting	Nature of Request for Certificate of Title and Noting Thereon
9 th September, 2025	Charles W. Churnney and Hyacinth Agatha Sargeant by their Attorneys, Henderson Law Chambers	A First Certificate of Title to be issued in respect of all that lot piece or parcel of land with buildings thereon situate at Upper College Street, Basseterre, Parish of St. George, in Island of Saint Christopher.

On or towards the North by Mrs. Belle, 46.22 feet; On or towards the East by an Access Way to College Street, 4.23 feet; On or towards the North by an Access Way to College Street, 20.97 feet; On or towards the East by an Access Way to College Street, 4.27 feet; On or towards the North by an Access Way to College Street, 4.43 feet; On or towards the East by Henry Audain, 38.99 feet; On or towards the South partly by Charles W. Churnney, 56.95 feet and partly by Ms. Carey, 16.37 feet and On or towards the West by Blanchette, 42.52 feet and containing by admeasurement 3120.06 square or howsoever otherwise the said lot of land may be abutted bounded known or described in the Schedule attached hereto.

Dated the 5th day of February, 2026

Registrar

Case Number :NEVHPB2026/0012

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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE

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NEVHPB2026/0012

In The Estate Of Stanley Morel Jeffers (Deceased)

ADVERTISEMENT OF APPLICATION FOR GRANT

TAKE NOTICE that an application has been filed by JANET VIOLA JEFFERS in the parish of St. James, in the island of Nevis, currently residing on the island of St. Croix, United States Virgin Islands (USVI) for a Grant of Letters of Administration with Will. Annexed to the applicant who is the issue of the deceased, the deceased having died TESTATE on the 17th day of October, 2012.

Any person having an objection to the Grant of Letters of Administration to the application shall file an objection within 14 days of the publication of this Notice.

Dated this 11th day of February, 2026.

Leonora L. Walwyn
Attorneys-at-Law
WalwynLaw Chambers

Filed by WalwynLaw, Attorneys-at-Law, D.R Walwyn Plaza South, Charlestown, Nevis, for and on behalf of the Applicant whose address for service is that of his Attorneys-at-Law.

Saint Kitts and Nevis Records Zero Maternal Deaths in 2026 Thus Far

Basseterre, St. Kitts, February 12th, 2026 (PMO) – Prime Minister the Honourable Dr. Terrance Drew revealed today, February 12th, that Saint Kitts and Nevis has recorded zero maternal deaths so far in 2026, a milestone he described as one of the clearest indicators of a strong and responsive healthcare system.

“What does that mean?” the Prime Minister asked during his address, adding that, “Not one pregnant woman who carried life within her has died.”

Dr. Drew, who also holds responsibility for Ministry of Health, noted that maternal mortality is globally regarded as a key measure of the strength of a nation’s health system.

The Prime Minister credited doctors, nurses, midwives, and allied health professionals for their dedication and highlighted expanded investments in maternal care, prevention initiatives, and the strengthening of public health systems.

He also used the opportunity to encourage citizens to adopt healthier lifestyles.

“If you have a healthcare system that can ensure that pregnant women, who are among the most vulnerable, receive safe care, then that system is strong,” he said.



Prime Minister Hon. Dr. Terrance Drew

The Prime Minister emphasized that declining overall mortality trends, expanded pediatric support through the Children’s Medical Fund, and new healthcare infrastructure investments are all part of a deliberate strategy.

“This is not accidental progress,” he stated. “It is the result of deliberate policy, strategic investment, and the highest dedication of our healthcare professionals.”

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SAGICOR LIFE (EASTERN CARIBBEAN) INC.

Tishellia J.R. Woodley of **Stoney Grove** of **St. John’s Parish, Nevis**, having made sworn deposition that **Policy No. J554007560** issued by **Sagicor Life (Eastern Caribbean) Inc.** on her life has been lost and having made application to the Directors to grant a duplicate of the same, notice is hereby given that unless objection is raised within one month of the date hereof, the duplicate policy asked for will be issued.

Dated: 10th February, 2026

By Order

Andrew Greaves
Corporate Secretary

SAGICOR LIFE (EASTERN CARIBBEAN) INC.

Kristel Pemberton of **Holmes Hill, Gingerland, Nevis**, having made sworn deposition that **Policy No. J554005335** issued by **Sagicor Life (Eastern Caribbean) Inc.** on her life has been lost and having made application to the Directors to grant a duplicate of the same, notice is hereby given that unless objection is raised within one month of the date hereof, the duplicate policy asked for will be issued.

Dated: 02nd February, 2026

By Order

Andrew Greaves
Corporate Secretary



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J’vani Fraser of **Stoney Grove, St. Paul’s Parish, Nevis, Alvin Fraser** of **6 Brunel Close, Tilbury, Essex, RM 18 8EJ, United Kingdom, Nyozi Fraser** of **1988 Bedford Avenue, Brooklyn NY, 11225, USA, being Beneficiaries**, having made sworn deposition that **Policy No. J554005935** issued **Sagicor Life (Eastern Caribbean) Inc. on the life of Kelvin Fraser** has been lost and having made application to the Directors to grant a duplicate of the same, notice is hereby given that unless objection is raised within one month of the date hereof, the duplicate policy asked for will be issued.

Dated: 02nd February, 2026

By Order

Andrew Greaves
Corporate Secretary



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SAGICOR LIFE (EASTERN CARIBBEAN) INC.

St. Kitts Cooperative Credit Union Limited of **Bladen Commercial Development, Basseterre, St. Kitts**, being the **Assignee**, having made sworn deposition that **Policy No. J554002173** issued by **Sagicor Life Inc.** and assumed by **Sagicor Life (Eastern Caribbean) Inc. on the life of Janet Johnson (Deceased)** has been lost and having made application to the Directors to grant a duplicate of the same, notice is hereby given that unless objection is raised within one month of the date hereof, the duplicate policy asked for will be issued.

Dated: 06th February, 2026

By Order

Andrew Greaves
Corporate Secretary



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Dated: 06th February, 2026

By Order

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Why food fraud persists, even with improving tech

Christine Ro
Technology Reporter

BBC Health



AFP via Getty Images Rows of jam jars containing honey. The labels are handwritten by scientists testing the honey.

AFP via Getty Images Honey is a common target for food fraudsters

Food crime mostly goes unreported, so it's difficult to grasp its scale.

It can include diluting or substituting ingredients, altering documents, or going through unapproved processes.

One 2025 estimate is that food crime costs the global economy around £81bn (\$110bn) a year.

Fraudsters tend to target commonly consumed foods, like dairy, and high-value foods, like olive oil.

Along with alcohol, seafood and edible oils, honey is frequently among the most common foods that are faked.

Plant-based syrup, such as glucose syrup derived from sugar cane, can be half the price of genuine honey, or even less.

In addition to keeping five beehives, Dr Juraj Majtán heads a lab studying bees and bee products at the Institute of Molecular Biology, part of the Slovak Academy of Sciences.

He understands well just how biologically complex honey is. It contains hundreds of compounds, and there are many diverse types and sources of honey.

One result is that it's challenging to detect whether the honey in a jar genuinely comes from honeybees from a particular place, or has been mixed with syrup derived from rice, wheat, corn or sugar beets.

There isn't even an internationally agreed definition of honey.

While fake honey is sometimes runnier and weaker-tasting than genuine honey, sophisticated fakes can look, smell and taste just like the real thing. Inauthentic honey can also fool chemical analysis, because the sugar levels are so similar.

There are a variety of methods to test for suspicious honey.

Some analyse chemical bonds to compare them against genuine honey samples. Others analyse isotopes to determine where a product likely originated.

But "currently there is no single method...that can say that this honey is fake honey," Dr Majtán explains. He says that we desperately need new methods.

The harms from faked honey are mostly to the livelihoods of beekeepers.

But food crimes can pose dangers to human health, because of the presence of potential allergens or toxic chemicals.

Back in 2008, Dr Selvarani Elahi was caring for her newborn daughter while growing horrified about the scandal of melamine-tainted infant formula in China. At least six babies died from kidney damage linked to the chemical.

Elahi, the UK's deputy government chemist, who is based at the measurement and testing services company LGC, couldn't believe that food fraudsters would target children.

Two people involved in the contamination were executed.

"Even the risk of that doesn't stop people from perpetrating fraud," Elahi marvelled.

Now, with several decades of food-standards work under her belt, Elahi remains



Martin Bystriansky Wearing a blue jacket and blue shirt, Dr Juraj Majtán stands in front of four beehives.

Martin Bystriansky New methods are needed to spot fake honey says Dr Juraj Majtán

alert to the possibility of fraud infiltrating other types of foods.

For instance, LGC is advising the UK government and working on DNA methods to identify foods containing the four insect species allowed for sale for human consumption.

Fraudsters could theoretically attempt to pass off a different insect species as one of those four.

One potential consequence is that an unpermitted insect species could trigger reactions in people allergic to shellfish, which can have the same allergenic proteins.



Andy Bate, LGC Wearing a black top Dr Selvarani Elahi, smiles and looks into the camera.

Andy Bate, LGC Even the risk of hurting children does not stop fraudsters says Dr Selvarani Elahi

While insects are a novel food in some countries, tainted spices are a persistent global problem. For instance, fraudsters add widely available industrial dyes to paprika.

Especially notorious is lead chromate mixed in with cinnamon to achieve a bright colour or bulk out the powders.

In the US in 2023, hundreds of children were poisoned by lead from imported cinnamon that made its way into applesauce.

The technological methods to detect industrial dyes in spices aren't the issue, according to Elahi. These are robust enough to detect the synthetic dyes at low levels.

The problem is spotty surveillance by under-resourced regulators.

For Dr Karen Everstine, lead in cinnamon shows the importance of not only regulatory agencies but also a well-functioning public health system, "to help support food safety and detect anomalies".

Everstine is the technical director of food safety solutions at FoodChain ID, a company that advises food-sector clients.

FoodChain ID commonly observes fraud that involves swapping out one species for another.

In 2025, their data also showed a slight increase in labelling fraud, such as olive oil labelled falsely as being extra virgin, or non-organic crops marked as organic.

For 2026, she's especially concerned about trendy superfoods and supplement-like foods. False claims on these foods can be especially hard to combat because they become crazes so quickly on social media.

Ultimately, the most rigorous traceability solutions, including QR codes and microchips, won't be useful if people don't actually check them as a condition of

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Government Secures Full State Ownership Of Key Frigate Bay Assets In Landmark Agreement

Basseterre, Saint Kitts, February 12, 2026 (SKNIS): The Government of Saint Kitts and Nevis has successfully concluded a landmark agreement securing full State ownership of major lands and assets in the Frigate Bay area, Prime Minister and Minister of Finance, the Honourable Dr. Terrance Drew announced during the first Sitting of Parliament for 2026, on Thursday, February 12, 2026.

The agreement, finalised following extensive negotiations, transfers to the State full ownership of the lands on which the Frigate Bay Golf Course is constructed, full ownership of all shares in Frigate Bay Golf Limited, and an additional 77.23 acres of prime land in the Frigate Bay area.

The newly secured lands include 16.10 acres comprising the northern holes of the Golf Course adjacent to the Koi Resort, 13.16 acres of prime vacant land west of the Golf Course overlooking Half Moon Bay, and 47.97 acres of prime land located between Frigate Bay Road, Earles Mornes, Bird Rock and the heights of Frigate Bay.

Prime Minister Drew noted that the acquisition represents a continuation of the longstanding vision of the St. Kitts-Nevis Labour Party Administration to empower citizens through land ownership and sustainable economic development. He highlighted the historical significance of Frigate Bay, referencing earlier efforts by national leaders to secure and develop the area for the benefit of the people of the Federation.

Under the new arrangement, the Ministry of Tourism and the Frigate Bay Development Corporation will oversee the day-to-day operations and strategic development of the golf course, ensuring alignment with the Federation's long-term sustainable tourism objectives.

The government also announced plans for strategic development of the newly acquired lands. The 13.16-acre parcel is expected to support infrastructure development for luxury villas and potentially a high-end hotel, capitalizing on its scenic views of the golf course and Half Moon Bay.

Meanwhile, the 47.97-acre parcel will be subdivided into residential and commercial lots, with a special focus on providing opportunities for young citizens



Prime Minister Hon. Dr. Terrance Drew

to access land ownership and build generational wealth. The Government has also indicated its intention to work with local financial institutions to ensure financing options are accessible to prospective landowners.

Prime Minister Drew emphasised that the agreement was achieved at no direct financial cost to the Government. Instead, compensation to the Royal St. Kitts Group of Companies was structured through the issuance of 725 Public Benefit Units under the Citizenship by Investment Programme.

Additionally, the Government confirmed that a US\$10 million loan extended in 2023 to support operations at the St. Kitts Marriott Resort is scheduled to be fully repaid by the second quarter of 2026. To date, approximately US\$3.1 million has already been repaid. The loan arrangement is also expected to generate at least US\$2.5 million in application fee revenue to the State through the Public Benefit Unit mechanism.

Prime Minister Drew described the agreement as a major step toward strengthening national ownership of key tourism assets, expanding economic opportunities, and advancing the Federation's vision of becoming a Sustainable Island State.

The Prime Minister reaffirmed the Government's commitment to long-term national development, noting that the acquisition is designed to benefit current and future generations of citizens and residents.

The agreement marks a significant milestone in the continued development of Frigate Bay as a premier tourism and residential destination within the Federation.

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making their purchases. Imitators can simply counterfeit QR code labels, for



Getty Images Someone inspects a bottle of olive oil in front of supermarket shelves containing multiple brands of olive oil. Getty Images
A common fraud is labeling regular olive oil as extra-virgin

example.

Nor will they be useful if they remain too expensive to implement.

"People thought blockchain applied to the food industry was going to solve all of our problems. It hasn't," notes Elahi.

She points out that blockchain-based tracking of a food at each point in the supply chain might be feasible for a product like South American bananas, but isn't feasible for a lasagne containing 50 ingredients from all over the world.

It can also be hard to interpret the results of testing finished products that contain lots of ingredients.

"One of the challenges is marrying that really high-technology, high-innovation space with the realities of food production," Everstine comments. It's just not practical to test everything.

Innovations in recent years to make testing methods more sophisticated include thermal imaging, light analysis using lasers, and DNA profiling.

In general, more testing adds to the costs. And lab-based testing may not be fast or agile enough to support border control officers, fraud investigators or food producers in the field.

Speed is important when seeking to stop the spread of tainted foods. Yet rapid testing tools may not be sensitive enough.

Emerging portable testing methods include X-ray fluorescence analysers for turmeric and handheld DNA kits to test olive oil.

Machine learning is also increasingly helpful for sifting through and categorising huge amounts of data. This can help to create early warnings about risks of fraudulent or unsafe food.

Still, relatively low-tech responses to food crime are among the most useful.

With honey, Majtán says, "the best way is just to buy from local beekeepers". This helps ensure that consumers know what they're buying, and who they're supporting.

One rule of thumb Everstine has is that "if the price seems too good to be true, that should be a red flag". For instance, \$3 for a bottle of olive oil or honey in the US might be suspect.

Minister Clarke Provides Update On Land Transition Programme And Access To Residential Lots

Basseterre, Saint Kitts, February 12, 2026 (SKNIS): Minister of Sustainable Development, Environment, Climate Action and Constituency Empowerment, the Honourable Senator Dr. Joyelle Clarke, provided an update in Parliament on Thursday, 12 February, 2026, on the government’s ongoing Agricultural/Sustainable Development Land Transition Programme and efforts to improve access to residential and commercial lands.

Minister Clarke explained that the programme was launched to address longstanding land use conflicts where agricultural activity overlaps with lands designated for housing and commercial development.

“Last year, in this Honourable House, I provided an update on the current challenge that both ministries are facing as it relates to infringement of farmers on lands designated for residential and commercial construction, as well as infringement of housing development on lands which are dedicated to agricultural production,” said Dr. Clarke.

The affected areas include Racecourse in Newton Ground, Cabbage Tree in Cayon, and Lemon Hill in the Molineux area.

She confirmed that progress has already been made.

“So far, we have been able to successfully transition the farmers from the Racecourse area to facilitate the construction of NHC homes in Newton Ground, and we want to thank the National Housing Corporation for the construction in that constituency and for their patience and partnership with the Ministry of Sustainable Development,” Minister Clarke stated.

The Ministry is now working through a joint task force with the Ministry of Agriculture to relocate farmers in Lemon Hill and Cabbage Tree.

Minister Clarke emphasised the delicate balance required in a small island state with limited land resources.

“In St. Kitts, in our 68 square miles, very limited land resources, we must make accommodation for food, we must protect lands which allow for water, and we must provide shelter,” said the senator.

She underscored that while food security remains a national priority, the Government also has a responsibility to ensure that citizens have access to adequate housing. The minister emphasised that all actions taken must follow due process and be carried out properly, with careful attention to protecting and securing livelihoods.

Farmers, she noted, have already been formally notified in writing and presented with alternative options by the Department of Agriculture. In certain instances, compensation has been provided for crops. She further explained that farming activities on the affected lands were technically being conducted without permission and were restricted from major or permanent crop development.

The urgency surrounding the relocation effort, she indicated, is directly linked to the scale of the proposed developments. In Lemon Hill, the occupation by one farmer is currently delaying the construction of 52 residential lots and 15 commercial lots. Meanwhile, in Cabbage Tree Phase three (3), approximately 16 acres of land have been earmarked to facilitate the development of 364 residential lots.

The Minister expressed appreciation to residents, financial institutions, and legal professionals who have exercised patience while awaiting approvals. She acknowledged that, in some cases, individuals and institutions have demonstrated exceptional patience as the Ministry works through the process of relocating the farmers.

She also announced the commencement of a second phase of public communication on the matter. This phase will include continued engagement through radio programmes and direct dialogue with affected stakeholders. She indicated that a designated task force will remain actively engaged with the farmers to ensure that the process moves forward, allowing young people and families eager to begin construction in these areas to do so.



The Honourable, Senator Dr. Joyelle Clarke

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ISLAND OF NEVIS
TITLE BY REGISTRATION ACT
A.D. 2026

In the Matter of Section 71 of The Title by Registration Act
and

In the Matter of a Certificate of Title issued February 16, 2005
registered in Book 43 Folio 52 of the
Register of Titles for the Island of Nevis

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- ii. other charges in the sum of **EC\$149,121.92** and interest thereon in the sum of **EC\$92,812.10** with interest continuing at the effective current rate of **8.00%** per annum being a per diem of **EC\$32.68**

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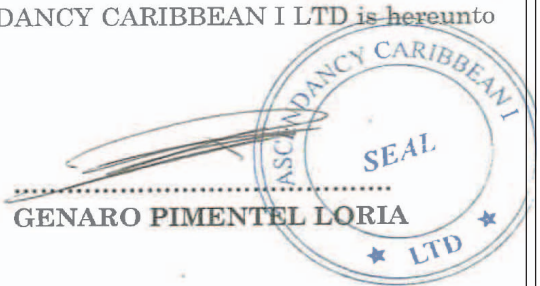
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Before and in the presence of:

M. Elizabeth A. Helsick



PLP Introduces Candidate Selection Process With Deadline ...Harris Says Candidates Must Be Capable, Ready

By: Spokesman Newsroom

BASSETERRE, St. Kitts (Thursday 12th February 2026)-With the announcement of the introduction of a candidate selection process, the Opposition People’s Labour Party (PLP) is giving interested persons almost seven weeks to formally indicate their interest before the set deadline.

Party Leader and Parliamentary Representative For St.Christopher Seven Dr. Timothy Harris, in speaking at a party press conference on Wednesday 11th February 2026 held at the St.Kitts Marriott, pointed out that capability and readiness will be among the key scoring areas as the party prepares for the upcoming general elections.

Of note, apart from his candidacy, there has been no official details about any one else for the other seven constituencies.

According to Dr. Harris, the selection process form had been made available to executive committee members long before.

“Transparency and fairness will prevail. The rules, the criteria and the processes; they’ve all been discussed at our national executive meeting on more than one occasion. The form itself had been made available to members of the present national executive long before we are now making it more widely available.”

Dr. Harris in talking about the candidate selection process, he shared: “We are readying ourselves to serve you better, better than before. And in this regard, I should give notice that the People's Labour Party has now officially declared its own season of accepting applications for persons who are interested in being candidates for the party. We, therefore, invite all concerned citizens to join the PLP and contribute to its further strengthening and development, whether you are living abroad or you're living here, you can be considered as a candidate of the People's Labour Party.”

Dr. Harris described the move as unusual but progressive. “We have taken this unusual but progressive step to ensure that a wide pool of prospective candidates emerges for screening and approval by the Candidate Selection Committee authorized by the Constitution.”

He confirmed the deadline for submissions. “This process of application will close by the 31st of March 2026 unless otherwise altered by the National Executive of the Party.”

Emphasizing transparency and openness, he stated: “No other party has been as open and inclusive as the People’s Labour Party. This is history in the making. It signals our intention to administer a government for all citizens and residents of St. Kitts and Nevis.”

Outlining the framework for evaluation, Dr. Harris explained that candidates will be assessed using defined criteria.

“Our candidate selection process will be guided by certain key principles. For example, merit and competence. We’ll make selection based on capability, your readiness, your integrity. You get a score on that.”

Electability, he said, will also be a factor. “Electability. Can you deliver the seat as how Harris will deliver his seat? And every candidate of the PLP must deliver their seat. Electability, the ability to win the constituency, community involvement, genuine connection to and bond with your constituents.”

He added that while grassroots input will be encouraged, the final decision will rest with the party’s selection body. “Internal democracy at work; we will give an input to people from the constituency which you desire to represent but of course the strategic judgment rests with the candidate selection committee which will have the final say and will act in the broad national interest.”

Dr. Harris said the process

will be conducted openly. He also underscored that selection brings responsibility. “Once you are selected, you now have additional responsibility and there is a performance expectation that you will deliver the seat in a big way so you have to do the work. You have to be at work. The work now begins.” Highlighting the party’s viewpoint, Dr. Harris stated: “So we are asking, we appreciate that our greatest resource is our people. The PLP has always known this and treasured this. We must institutionalize the mechanism to put our people to work in the interest of a better St.Kitts and Nevis.” He described the initiative as a grassroots democratic effort. “Our PLP, your PLP, by this grassroots democratic approach, is opening up to all our people to be part of history in the making.

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ISLAND OF NEVIS
TITLE BY REGISTRATION ACT
A.D. 2026

In the Matter of Section 71 of The Title by Registration Act

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In the Matter of a Certificate of Title issued
September 30, 2008 registered in Book 46 Folio 363 of the
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ii. other charges in the sum of EC\$116,899.85 with interest thereon in the sum of EC\$30,548.12 with interest continuing at the effective current rate of 8.00% per annum being a per diem of EC\$25.62
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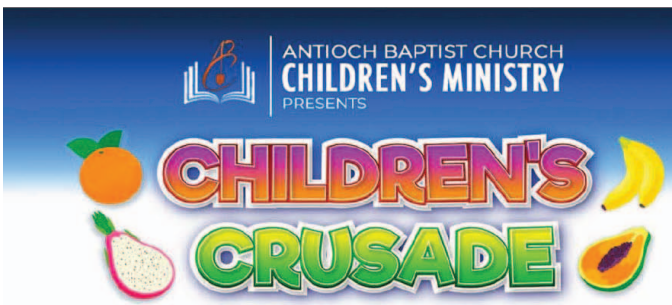
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Community Notice

The Antioch Baptist Church warmly invites all children ages three and up to Children's Crusade 2026, happening February 20th to 22nd under the exciting theme, "Bearing Fruits for Christ."

Come out for a fun-filled and inspiring time! There is no registration and no admission fee.



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Antioch Baptist Church
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So I encourage you to step up to the plate. Working together, we will make St. Kitts and Nevis the best small island state. I promise you that the PLP will do better than what you have, so much better."

Pointing to the party's past governance record, he said: "We come with the record and with your knowledge that PLP's leadership that has been ever present in Team Unity did it before, and we shall and we will in your name do it again. We will save St. Kitts and Nevis through openness, competence and determination."

He added: "We will serve the people of St. Kitts and Nevis, not expecting them to be the ones serving us. We will bring servant leadership."

Dr. Harris extended an appeal locally and abroad.

"We will be with you all the way, every day. We offer you hope for a much better future and we pledge that to all of you. I invite the entire citizens, well-wishers, residents of St. Kitts and Nevis, wherever you are in the diaspora, to help us save St. Kitts and Nevis from the path of ruin on which it now finds itself."

Interested individuals can obtain the party's application form by submitting a request via email to plpcandidates2026@gmail.com

Front Page Image: Leader of the Opposition People's Labour Party (PLP) Dr. Timothy Harris seen at the party's press conference held on Wednesday 11th February 2026 (Credit: Facebook/ThePeoplesLabourParty)



FEDERATION OF SAINT CHRISTOPHER AND NEVIS ISLAND OF SAINT CHRISTOPHER TITLE BY REGISTRATION ACT A.D. 2026

In the Matter of Section 71 of The Title by Registration Act

and

In the Matter of a Certificate of Title issued August 10, 1995
registered in Book U2 Folio 306 of the Register of Titles
for the Island of St Christopher

NOTICE TO PAY OFF

TO: The Estate of **MYRTLE BROWNE**, late of Roxborough Street, Newtown, Basseterre, in the Island of Saint Christopher, registered proprietor of ALL THAT lot piece or parcel of land of Pond Site Extension containing by admeasurement 4,914.04 square feet and bounded and measuring as follows: On the North by a Public Road, 57.48 feet; On the East by lands of C.H.A. occupied by Lucinda Swanson 80.32 feet; On or towards the South by lands of Pond Site Housing Development 63.87 feet; and On or towards the West by lands of C.H.A., 81.88 feet (hereinafter "the Lands"); all as the same is described in a Certificate of Title dated August 10, 1995 registered in Book U2 Folio 306 of the Register of Titles for the Island of St Kitts (hereinafter "the Certificate of Title").

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- other charges in the sum of **EC\$38,447.28**, and interest thereon in the sum of **EC\$22,471.43**, with interest continuing at the effective current rate of **8.50%** per annum being a per diem of **EC\$8.95**

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M. Elisabeth A. Kelsick



Junior Calypso Monarch Coryn Clarke Delivers Standout Performance with Machel Montano at Monday Madness

By Spokesman Newsroom

BASSETTERRE, St. Kitts (Thursday 12th February 2026)-Reigning National Junior Calypso Monarch (Primary School Segment) Coryn Clarke has added an international highlight to her young career, following a featured performance alongside soca superstar Machel Montano at Monday Madness in Trinidad and Tobago; the top prize having won a recent Caribbean contest.

The 10-year-old, proudly representing the Federation, appeared on stage at the Queen's Park Oval in Trinidad on Monday 9th February 2026 during the height of Carnival celebrations.

With the St. Kitts and Nevis national flag in hand, Clarke joined Montano in performing his high-energy track, 'Encore', before thousands of patrons.

Her appearance came after winning Machel Montano's "Give Dem Performance" social media competition, earning the opportunity to perform live at that major Carnival event.

Clarke's contest entry video amassed the highest number of shares and reposts in the competition. Her 0.60 – second performance clip, recorded at Port Zante in St. Kitts, featured the young singer holding both Trinidad and Tobago and St. Kitts and Nevis flags while delivering her rendition of "Encore."

Additionally, her entry generated significant online engagement, receiving more than 10,000 heart reactions and over 500 comments.

Machel Montano personally informed Clarke of her win during a video call, later shared to social media.

"I'm calling to let you know and announce that you have won the 'Give Dem Performance' competition... You had the most shares and reposts of your video, which I thoroughly enjoyed," Montano said during the announcement.

After congratulating her on winning the competition, Montano paused and asked warmly, "Are you a singer?" to which Clarke confidently replied, "Yes, I am." Clearly impressed, Montano responded by revealing that she would be flown back home to Trinidad and Tobago to perform at Monday Madness alongside him and other top soca stars.

Born in Trinidad and Tobago and currently residing in St. Kitts and Nevis, Clarke represents both nations. Her mother, Dionne Baptiste-Clarke, is a Trinidadian while her father, Ron Clarke, is Kittitian.

On her social media platforms, Clarke describes herself as "a 10-year-old author and performer born in beautiful Trinidad and Tobago who currently lives in equally beautiful Saint Kitts and Nevis."

Her display of both national flags during her contest performance and the SKN flag at Monday Madness resonated strongly with audiences online, where many praised her patriotism and stage confidence.

Following her appearance, Clarke expressed appreciation for the opportunity via her social media postings.

"Happy & grateful for each of the amazing opportunities I've had in my life so far. Performing at Monday Madness alongside King @machelmontano definitely ranks among the most epic things ever," she shared in one post.

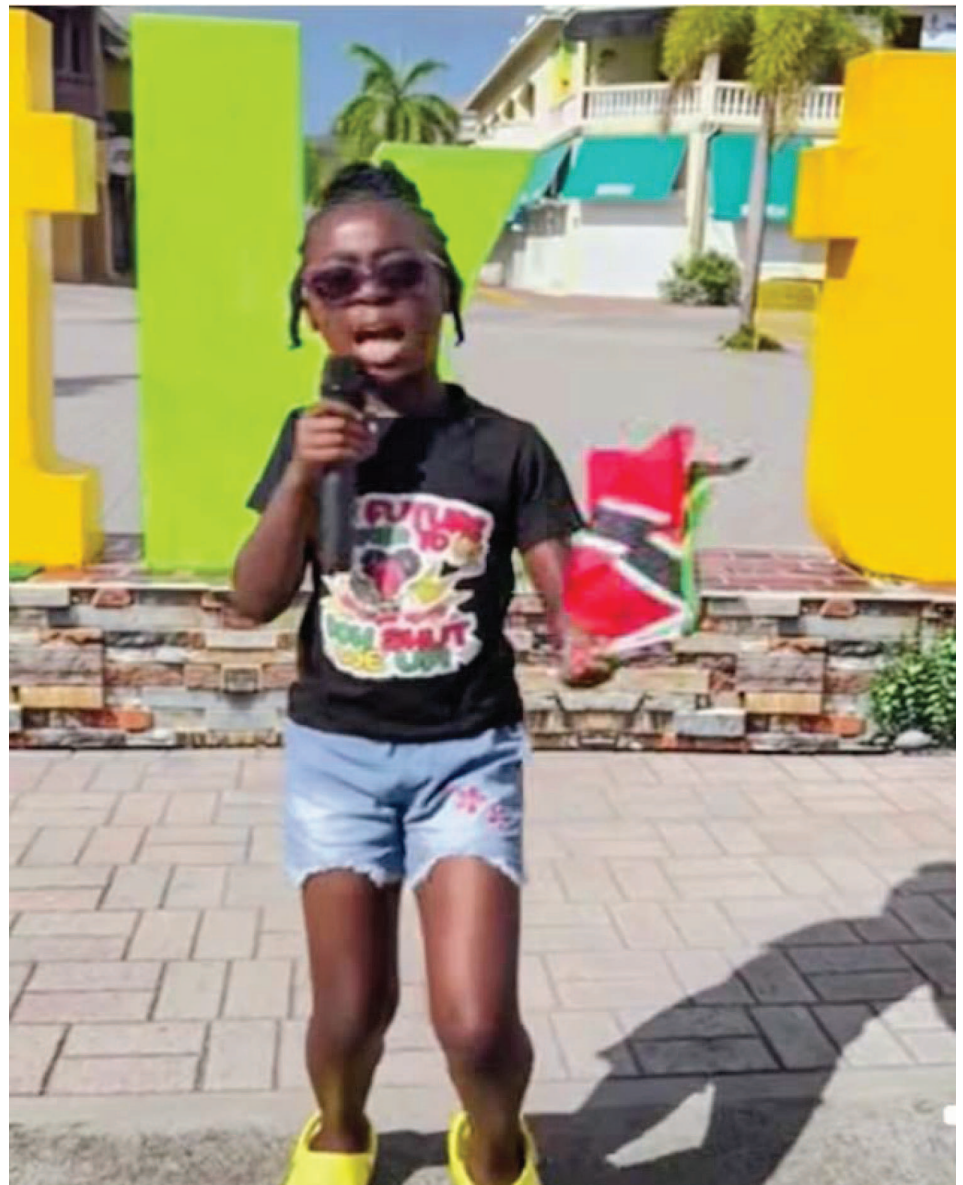
In another, she thanked supporters who helped propel her to victory in the competition, writing, "We did it, guys. WE DID IT! Thank you to everyone who liked, shared, reposted and/or commented on my video making this possible."

Feedback from Monday Madness continues to highlight her stage presence and composure at such a young age.

Monday Madness also featured performances from Voice and V'ghn - both slated to perform at this year's St. Kitts Music Festival - as well as Yung Bredda, Lady Lava, Nailah Blackman, Nadia Batson and several other regional soca acts.

With Machel Montano scheduled to perform at the upcoming St. Kitts Music Festival in June, speculation has already begun among fans about the possibility of another on-stage collaboration- this time on St.Kitts-Nevis soil.

The "Give Dem Performance" challenge, announced on January 27, 2026, invited Caribbean nationals to submit 30–60 second Instagram videos performing "Encore." Participants were required to tag designated accounts, use the hashtag #MMEncore,



Video Screenshot Image: Reigning National Junior Calypso Monarch (Primary School Segment) 10-year-old Coryn Clarke seen while giving performance for the Machel Montano 'Give Dem Performance' contest video entry (Credit: Facebook/CorynAnayaClarke)

and accumulate shares and reposts to advance.

The top three entries moved on to public voting, with the final winner earning a live performance slot at Monday Madness. Contest rules required a Caribbean passport, appropriate content standards, and parental consent for participants under 18.

Front Page Photo: Reigning National Junior Calypso Monarch (Primary School Segment) 10-year-old Coryn Clarke and well-known international soca star Machel Montano of Trinidad and Tobago pose for a photon rehearsal day at the Queen's Park Oval in Trinidad ahead of on Monday Madness which was held 9th February 2026 (Credit: Facebook/CorynAnayaClarke)

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Dated this
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Signed: **Claudio Mitrell**



Italy stun Nepal as India and Sri Lanka also win

By Millie Sian
BBC Sport journalist

Men's T20 World Cup, Group C, Mumbai

Nepal 123 all out (19.3 overs): Aarif 27 (24); Kalugamage 3-18

Italy 124-0 (12.4 overs): A. Mosca 62 (32), J Mosca 60* (44)

Italy won by 10 wickets

Italy dominated with both bat and ball as they claimed their first-ever T20 World Cup victory with a stunning 10-wicket win over Nepal.

Italy were overpowered by Scotland in their tournament opener, losing by 73 runs, but looked a completely different side at Wankhede Stadium in Mumbai.

After a slow and conservative Nepal limped to 123 all out, brothers Justin Mosca and Anthony Mosca wasted no time making inroads into Italy's chase.

It was just the second time in T20 World Cup history that siblings had opened an innings together, after they both did so against Scotland, and they smashed 68 runs off their first six overs and racked up 97 after 10.

Nepal's bowlers struggled to contain Italy's opening partnership with both Mosca brothers hitting their way to unbeaten half-centuries as Italy reached their target with 7.2 overs to spare, which significantly boosts their net run-rate and lifts them above England in Group C.

Nepal struggled from the off with Italy leg-spinner Crishan Kalugamage taking 3-18 and only three batters able to pass 20.

Italy face England on Monday, while Nepal will be hoping to get their first points on the board against the West Indies on Sunday.

India ease past Namibia for second win

By Adwaidh Rajan
BBC Sport journalist

Men's T20 World Cup, Group A, Delhi

India 209-9 (20 overs): Kishan 61 (24); Erasmus 4-20

Namibia 116 (18.2 overs): Steenkamp 29 (20); Chakravarthy 3-7

India won by 93 runs

Defending champions India made it two wins from two matches at the T20 World Cup with a 93-run victory against Namibia in Delhi.

India were stifled by the Namibia bowlers through the middle overs and at the death but they still managed to put 209-9 on board, thanks to a blistering 61 from 24 balls from opener Ishan Kishan and Hardik Pandya's half-century.

In their reply, Namibia were 86-2 in the 10th over when Varun Chakravarthy, who registered figures of 3-7 from two overs, dismissed Nicol Loftie-Eaton and JJ Smit and they failed to recover as they were bundled out for 116 in 18.2 overs.

India had made a fast start through an eight-ball 22 from Sanju Samson, who came into the starting line-up in the absence of the explosive Abhishek Sharma.

But it was Kishan who hogged the limelight with a quickfire half-century, which included him smashing four consecutive sixes in the fifth over from Smit, to help India surge to 86-1 after six overs - their highest powerplay score at a T20 World Cup.

The wicketkeeper-batter brought up his fifty from just 20 balls before departing at the start of the eighth over leaving India at 104-2.

But Namibia's finger spinners Gerhard Erasmus and Bernard Scholtz slowed down the home side's innings dramatically, conceding just 30 and picking up three wickets in six overs, with captain Erasmus standing out with figures of 4-20.

Pandya's 28-ball 52 helped India regain control but they were unable to capitalise at the death, losing five wickets for just four runs in the final 11 balls as their charge towards a much bigger total was stalled.

Openers Louren Steenkamp, who hit 29 from 20 balls, and Jan Frylinck, who hit a 15-ball 22, gave Namibia a good start but they were no match for India's strong bowling line-up, with Pandya also recording 2-21 with the ball.

Both teams are back in action on Sunday. While India prepare for their highly anticipated meeting with Pakistan in Colombo, Namibia will face the United States in Chennai.

Sri Lanka crush Oman for back-to-back wins



Kusal Mendis and Sri Lanka captain Dasun Shanaka bump fists

Image source, Getty Images

Dasun Shanaka (right) was named Sri Lanka's T20 captain before the T20 World Cup

Men's T20 World Cup, Group B, Kandy

Sri Lanka 225-5 (20 overs): Kusal Mendis 61 (45); Ramanandi 2-41

Oman 120-9 (20 overs): Nadeem 53* (56); Theekshana 2-11

Sri Lanka won by 105 runs

Co-hosts Sri Lanka also made it two consecutive wins with a massive 105-run victory against Oman in Kandy.

Rapid half-centuries from Pavan Rathnayake, Kusal Mendis and captain Dasun Shanaka helped Sri Lanka post a formidable 225 - the highest total at the 2026 tournament so far.

Associate nation Oman mustered little response with the bat as they huffed and puffed to 120-9.

Walking in with Sri Lanka at 136-3 in the 14th over, Shanaka, under pressure after recent poor form, unleashed a sensational late surge, smashing two fours and five sixes on his way to a 19-ball 50.

It was the fastest fifty by a Sri Lankan in T20 internationals, surpassing his own previous mark of 20 balls against India in Pune in 2023.

Earlier, after losing openers Pathum Nissanka and Kamil Mishara inside the powerplay, Rathnayake's 28-ball 60 and Kusal Mendis' composed 61 off 45 had set the perfect platform for Shanaka's onslaught as he took them to 225-5, the second-highest total for Sri Lanka in T20 World Cup history.

Already staring at a huge defeat at the halfway stage, only two batters reached double figures for Oman - Muhammad Nadeem and Wasim Ali.

While 40-year-old Nadeem needed 52 runs to reach his half-century and remained unbeaten on 53, Wasim departed for a 20-ball 27 as Oman fell well short of the target.

Sri Lanka, who beat Ireland by 20 runs in their opener, will take on Australia next at the same venue on Monday while Oman, who suffered their second defeat, will face Ireland in Colombo on Saturday.

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