



Banks Holdings Limited

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Banks in line for ISO certification

Already heavily rewarded for the quality of its products, Banks (Barbados) Breweries Limited is poised for even more success – this time for the company’s efforts behind the scenes.

Based on its impeccable track record of quality assurance, the leading manufacturer in the local beverage market was recently recommended by its auditors to the International Organization for Standardization (ISO) for two certifications.

The company has been endorsed for the ISO 9000 certificate for its quality management systems and the ISO 22000 certificate for food safety practices.

Founded in 1947 and headquartered in Geneva, Switzerland, the ISO is an international standard-setting body which promotes worldwide proprietary, industrial and commercial standards.



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Akash Ragbir, Brewery Manager for Banks (Barbados) Breweries Ltd.

“Our team worked tirelessly to make this a reality and we must now be proud as we hold our heads high and join our sister companies in this great achievement,” said brewery manager Akash Ragbir, who noted that all three food manufacturing companies in the BHL group are

recognised by the ISO since Barbados Bottling Company and Pine Hill Dairy are ISO certified companies.

“We are especially proud that we received no major non-conformances and there were just ten minor non-conformances, two observations and two opportunities for improvement. The auditors also gave very high praises to the dedication they saw being displayed by the management team who drove the process which is testament to, and the culmination of, all those hours of hard work and dedication which the Banks staff continuously display.”

In an open letter to staff, Ragbir said: “Let the feelings of success and accomplishment which you now feel attest to your great abilities, and let it be the platform to which we continue to make great things possible and deliver great results to all our stakeholders.

“We all stand by the great quality of the products we produce and now we will carry that international accreditation which we justly deserve. Great job team!”

Banks (Barbados) Breweries Ltd. produces both alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages including Banks Beer, Banks Amber Ale, Deputy, the Malicious Brew Series of Craft Beer, Twist, Tiger Malt and Plus.

In 2012, the company moved from its original home in Wildey, St. Michael to its state-of-art-facility facility in Newton, Christ Church.

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