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## **Brathwaite celebrates 35 years with Brewery**

**RICARDO BRATHWAITE has given a lifetime of service to Banks (Barbados) Breweries Limited and was recently awarded by the company for his 35 years of dedication and commitment.**

55-year old Brathwaite, who began working in his late teens, said he was pleased to be recognized and awarded for his many years of service to the Brewery.

“I am satisfied and I feel like I am being appreciated,” was Mr. Brathwaite’s simple comment on receiving the long service award.

The Maintenance Technician effortlessly recalled November 17, 1975 as the exact date that he started working with Banks Brewery as a Fitters Mate. Prior to this, he had worked with the now defunct Carib West Airways. When the airline closed, Mr. Brathwaite worked a number of temporary jobs until long-time friend Kenneth Senhouse told him about the opening at Banks (Barbados) Breweries. He got the interview, got the job the next week and has never had a day of regret since then.

“The Brewery is a good place to work. I have never had any problems, I have good friends at the Brewery and I like doing the job that I am doing. It is hassle-free,” he noted.

As he reflected on his many years with the Brewery and changes that the company has undergone, the company’s move from a highly mechanical operation to a semi-automatic one stood out prominently in Mr. Brathwaite’s mind.

“I remember when the Brewhouse Operator used to have to open every valve that is to be opened, but not these days,” he chuckled.

Today as he continues his journey as a Maintenance Technician with Banks (Barbados) Breweries Limited, Brathwaite says it is his intention to continue to approach every task with an open mind and he simply wanted to say “Thanks to Banks” for providing him with an opportunity to achieve all that he had so far.



*Picture caption: Ricardo Brathwaite (left) receiving his Long Service Certificate from Brewery Manager, Akash Ragbir*