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Abhi, Abhi Goes Gayle in Calypso Style

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Chennai: *Oh Yes! Abhi, Abhi, Abhi!* That's the Indianised version of Chris Gayle crooning in a soft drink commercial that has gone viral on the web. And it has nothing to do with cricket. For once, Gayle is not hitting a ball over the ropes, nor is he in the red and gold of Royal Challengers Bangalore.

Here we see the other side of Gayle — the entertainer — who is dabbling at

fancied versions of Indian dance — from *bhangra*, *thumka* to obscure Bollywood jigs. Not to leave out his favourite Gangnam Style moves. Gayle simply goes ballistic in this less-



than-two-minute video that has generated a lot of interest among his fans. The yet-to-be-released commercial has seen close to two lakh hits in just three days.

"We made this video to entertain my fans. I am happy to have entertained everyone with my game on-field and hopefully this video will also appeal to all. I promise more *Oh Yes Abhi* entertainment during the upcoming matches," said Gayle,

whose swagger is captured in a typical irreverent style of the 1970s.

After talking about *four kabhi toh sixer kabhi, jogging kabhi toh gymming kabhi* and *cricketer kabhi toh entertainer kabhi*, he reminds everyone in the video about the soft drink, *Oh Yes Abhi! Abhi! Abhi!* All with a Caribbean twang, but each word uttered with consummate ease that one might be prompted to think if he is an Indian or West Indian.