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The Caribbean Institute for Women in Leadership

## Economics??? Empowerment???

#### **Economic Construct**

- To earn
- To consume
- To have assets

### **Empowerment construct**

To what extent and through what processes do women have a voice in decision making at the household, community and national levels

## The Uphill Challenge



 Senator Khadijah Ameen, who was heavily criticized for wearing a leather Jacket in the Upper House, has responded to her critics.

"Yes, I wore a leather jacket to Parliament! And I'll probably do it again. So for the critics, have fun being shallow."

"I'm the girl who burns tires, protests, got arrested and stands up for what is right! I'm not the dainty doll."

"I buy jeans from Charlotte Street, tops on Chaguanas Main Road and pants with crazy prints in the Indian Expo. Ain't gonna stop. Get used to it."

"I have a Masters in Business, I studied Government, and continue to read, research and study because it makes me better at what I do."

"I will continue to be REAL. I will continue to represent the voice of the small man. In parliament, on the platform or in a boardroom," she stated.