

Lady Saw and Macka Diamond at odds

Two of Dancehall's leading ladies are squaring off verbally after a newly released song that has sparked controversy within the music industry.

Veteran deejay, Macka Diamond recently unveiled a new single entitled, Mi Bless, which seemingly takes shots at the 'Queen of Dancehall,' Lady Saw. The song, deemed by many as a Lady Saw diss song, has a line that seemingly makes reference to the fact that the 'Queen of Dancehall' can't have children. In the song, she deejays, 'After mi sing mi song say mi a 40 plus, Mi see some gal pick it up, she mussi Spartacus, But lowe me and clean up yuh yard fuss, A nuh me yuh man breed so why a me yuh waan cuss, Mi bless, yes mi womb bless, A wha do some gal, Yuh nuh see dem clueless.' This comes after recent fallout between Macka Diamond and Lady Saw after Macka released the single, Forty and Fabulous in which she called up the names of other entertainers who've reached age 40 but are still prominent in Dancehall, including Beenie Man and Bounty Killer.

However, Macka insisted a radio interview on Wednesday that Lady Saw accused her of following one of her songs while claiming she was in no way disrespecting the legendary singer. 'From long time mi a get disrespect and mi nah get no love when mi show love to people. Mi a do mi song (Forty and Fabulous) and mi a show people love,' she said. 'Mi call a whole leap a people name inna di song and me and anybody no inna problem.' The issue escalated when Lady Saw took to Twitter where she allegedly took shots at Macka Diamond, who about word about her tweets while in England. 'One time mi see Saw go pon Twitter now and a talk up a bag a tings and rae, rae, rae and disrespectful and mi tink a endorse dem a endorse my tune and at di end of the day, you a go tweet out some tings dat hurtful and disrespectful,' she said. Lady Saw, who recently announced her intentions to get baptized and switch to gospel music, allegedly issued a retort dubbed Age Is Just a Number. The song, produced by DJ Smurf, was released at the end of October. However, the Heels On singer categorically denied that the song was a counteraction, stating to the Jamaica STAR that the track was initially released in February, when she last recorded any material. 'I did that song in February and I did that song because they were focusing so much on my age during an ER interview. Then mi hear say Macka Diamond people dem a call the producer say she want the riddim cuz she hear say mi diss her,' she said. According to Lady Saw, she has no reason to diss Macka Diamond, despite the fact their friendship has soured. 'Macka and I aren't friends, we were friends before but things happen and we aren't friends again. I have no reason to diss her. I have no time for people who are trying so desperately to get my attention.'