



Theorising Pre-Trial Detention Reform within the Ugandan Criminal Justice System: A Theoretical Framework

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Abstract

Pre-trial detention in Uganda's criminal justice system is a significant issue that contributes to prolonged incarceration and inefficiencies. Theoretical approaches will be employed to analyse existing practices and propose new mechanisms for reform based on international best practices and legal frameworks. The theoretical framework developed will provide a basis for policy makers to consider the feasibility of these reforms and their potential impact on the system's efficiency. Recommendations include integrating data-driven decision-making processes into pre-trial detention procedures and training judicial officers and law enforcement personnel in effective case management techniques.

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