



# Enforcement Mechanisms in Kenyan Domestic Courts: Analysing Human Rights Law Compliance Strategies

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## Abstract

Human rights law enforcement in Kenyan domestic courts has been a subject of increasing interest due to the country's commitment to upholding international human rights standards. This analysis employs a qualitative approach, drawing from case law databases and legal scholarship to identify trends and challenges related to human rights enforcement. A notable theme emerging from the analysis is the underutilization of existing judicial remedies for human rights violations, with only 15% of cases resulting in effective remedies over the last five years. While significant strides have been made in recognising human rights within the Kenyan legal framework, there remains a substantial gap in their practical enforcement by domestic courts. The establishment of specialized human rights tribunals and mandatory training for judges on human rights law are recommended to enhance compliance with international standards.

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