



Gender Dynamics in Kenyan Legal Practices: An Ethnographic Exploration

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Abstract

Gender dynamics in Kenyan legal practices have been subject to limited scholarly attention compared to other sub-Saharan African countries. The research employed participant observation, semi-structured interviews, and archival data analysis to understand the experiences of women and men in various legal contexts across Kenya. During fieldwork, it was observed that women faced barriers such as limited access to justice services and discriminatory laws, while men often benefited from informal networks that facilitated their legal claims. This study highlights significant gender disparities within Kenyan legal practices, emphasising the need for targeted reforms to ensure equitable treatment under the law. Policy recommendations include strengthening enforcement of anti-discrimination laws and increasing access to justice services for marginalized groups, particularly women in rural areas.

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