



**Republic v Baariu (Criminal Case E051 of 2021)
[2025] KEHC 16101 (KLR) (6 November 2025) (Sentence)**

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**REPUBLIC OF KENYA
IN THE HIGH COURT AT MERU
CRIMINAL CASE E051 OF 2021
SM GITHINJI, J
NOVEMBER 6, 2025**

BETWEEN

REPUBLIC PROSECUTION

AND

DENNIS MURIITHI BAARIU ACCUSED

SENTENCE

1. I have considered that we have reached this point out of a plea-bargain process which entitles the accused to a good discount on sentence.
2. I have also considered the circumstances under which the offence was committed, where the deceased was arrogant and undermined or belittled the accused. He took his beer and told him to do as he wished. I have considered that the accused at the time could have been drunk and used a weapon he had, but not for purposes of use against the deceased.
3. To his side he is also a first offender, family man, remorseful, sole breadwinner and rehabilitated in prison.
4. On the other side the offence is rampant in Meru region, it's serious or grave of which need be reflected on sentence, and a deterrent sentence is appropriate.
5. Balancing on the foregoing factors, I do find that a sentence of 10 years imprisonment would be appropriate; Less the period spent in remand 4 years and 4 months, which gives us a sentence of 5 years and 8 months imprisonment. That is the sentence the accused will serve.

DATED AND DELIVERED AT MERU THIS 6TH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2025

S.M. GITHINJI

JUDGE

