



**Onyingwa v Republic (Criminal Revision E035 of 2026)
[2026] KEHC 4736 (KLR) (9 April 2026) (Ruling)**

Neutral citation: [2026] KEHC 4736 (KLR)

**REPUBLIC OF KENYA
IN THE HIGH COURT AT KIBERA
CRIMINAL REVISION E035 OF 2026**

DR KAVEDZA, J

APRIL 9, 2026

BETWEEN

ISAAC OBONGO ONYINGWA APPLICANT

AND

REPUBLIC RESPONDENT

RULING

1. This file was opened for purposes of considering whether the convict Isaac Obongo Onyingwa is suitable for consideration of his sentence review in the spirit of prison decongestion pursuant to the Chief Justice Memo dated 7th December 2022.
 2. The applicant was charged with the offence of Defilement Contrary to Section 8 (1) as read with Section of the *Sexual Offences Act* No. 3 of 2006 of the *Sexual Offences Act*. Being dissatisfied he filed an appeal at the High Court vide HCCRA No. 148 of 2016 where the sentenced was enhanced to life imprisonment. He filed a second appeal at the Court of Appeal where the enhanced life imprisonment was vacated and the trial Court sentence of twenty (20) years' was reinstated.
 3. As for his conduct in prison, the applicant avers that he has attended a number of trainings and counselling sessions, which have been instrumental in his rehabilitation process. However, considering the seriousness of the offence, the applicant was convicted of, I hereby find that the applicant is not eligible for early release under the decongestion program.
 4. The applicant is to serve the remainder of his sentence to completion.
- Orders accordingly.

RULING DATED AND DELIVERED VIRTUALLY THIS 9TH APRIL 2026

D. KAVEDZA

JUDGE

