Kenya's Two-Thirds Gender Rule (Constitution Arts. 27(8) and 81(b)) — A Constitutional Quota Still Unimplemented (Cautionary Case)

Gender Equality · Good practice · Kenya

Quality score: 26/100

Evidence strength: Cautionary / limited

Summary

Kenya's 2010 Constitution says no more than two-thirds of elective bodies may be one gender, but Parliament has repeatedly failed to legislate it; women held about 21% of Parliament in 2017.

Key dimensions

Dimension	Score
Transferability / replicability	1/3
Impact on gender equality	0/1
Effectiveness	0/1
Efficiency	0/1
Evaluated outcomes	0/1
Sustainability	0/1
Achievement / evidence	0/1
Gender-mainstreaming embedding	1/1
Curator validation	1/1

Evaluated by C-NAPSE

Data sources

C-NAPSE web research — accessed 2026-11-02

Parliament of Kenya / National Gender and Equality Commission — accessed 2026-11-02

The East African (2017) — accessed 2026-11-02

The Star (2022) — accessed 2026-11-02

Cite this — Evidoria. *Kenya's Two-Thirds Gender Rule (Constitution Arts. 27(8) and 81(b)) — A Constitutional Quota Still Unimplemented (Cautionary Case)*. Persistent ID: eb7ea937-3d0e-447b-92c1-26c8cc2e2b69.