

**THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN VIOLENT CRIME AND DRUG ABUSE  
AMONG YOUTH OF MAJENGO ESTATE IN MOMBASA COUNTY**

**(A CASE STUDY OF MAJENGO ESTATE)**

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## **ABSTRACT**

The main objective of this study was to determine the relationship between violent crime and drug abuse among the youth in Majengo Estate in Mombasa County. This research was therefore first to ascertain the number of violent crimes committed by the youth in Majengo Estate since the beginning of 2014. It was also to look into the reasons for the youth committing the violent crime and consequently investigate whether the youth who committed these crimes were really under the influence of drugs. Case study design was employed during this study. A target population of six hundred people including youths, leaders of Majengo, police and victims of violent crime from Majengo were included during the study. A purposive sampling was used to identify thirty youth groups out of sixty youth groups in Majengo Estate. Purposive sampling was used to select 25 leaders from thirty youth groups. Simple random sampling was used to select 35 youth members from youth groups, 20 police officers, 10 government officials, 6 victims of violent crime and 84 locals. Total of 180 respondents were used in the research. Data was collected through interview schedules and questionnaires. The data was analysed using Statistical Package for Social Sciences (SPSS). Descriptive statistics such as frequencies, percentages, means and standard deviations were used to analyse the data. The analysed data was presented in the form of frequency tables, bar graphs and pie charts.