

THE UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA  
JUDICIARY  
IN THE HIGH COURT OF TANZANIA  
(MTWARA DISTRICT REGISTRY)  
AT RUANGWA  
ORIGINAL JURISDICTION  
CRIMINAL SESSION CASE NO 33 OF 2021

THE REPUBLIC  
*VERSUS*  
JABIRI SHAIBU @MNUNDUMA

RULING ON SENTENCE

LALTAIKA, J.

*16<sup>th</sup> March 2022*

The accused person before me **JABIRI SHAIBU @MNUNDUMA** has pleaded guilty to the offence of Manslaughter c/s 195 of the Penal Code Cap 16 RE 2019. I must say outright even in the absence of evidence in this court because the accused has pleaded the lesser offence of manslaughter ahead of full trial, the facts narrated can give as a glimpse of how gruesome the inhuman his action of taking the life of an innocent person was.

I must say also that although the accused person looks remorseful, what he committed paint a picture of a very cruel personality. It is disturbing

to think of a situation that a person can go as far as to fake a phone number, voice and come up with a cooked business deal all in the attempt to trap and kill another person. This shows that the evil intention or what lawyers call *mens rea* was entertained for way too long.

As narrated by counsel for the republic, there are many ways of demanding debts. No one is allowed to take law in their own hands. The accused person appears very young and energetic. The amount of money that has led to this charge for murder and later manslaughter is too insignificant compared to what he could make had he chosen to allow the law to take its own course.

I am afraid that persons like the accused need much more time in our correction facilities to ensure that their deep sense of violence does not grow back and harm other innocent civilians.

On an account of what I have stated, I sentence you **JABIRI SHAIBU @MNUNDUMA** to a term of Ten (10) years of imprisonment.

The right to appeal to the Court of Appeal of Tanzania fully explained.



A handwritten signature in blue ink, which appears to read "E.I. Laltaika".

**E.I. LALTAIKA**  
**JUDGE**  
**16/3/2022**