

Impotence May Be Cited For Divorce In Uganda

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In Uganda arguments have broken out over the implementation of a new Divorce Bill which is likely to be brought before [Parliament](#) very soon. The problem centres around whether the law should allow one of the grounds for divorce to be that one of the partners is unable to function sexually. Lawyers and commentators have been quick to point out that by including this clause in the Divorce Bill women will be able to expose embarrassing medical conditions of their husbands which are unfair and even possibly unconstitutional as it violates the right to the medical privacy of men.



Another thing which was pointed out was that if women threatened to cite erectile dysfunction as grounds for divorce they could use it as an unfair bargaining chip in negotiations. No man would like to have his erectile function scrutinised by a court whether he suffers from a problem or not. Another legalistic argument is that if impotence is to be included in the Ugandan divorce bill as grounds for divorce this could mean that elderly women married for many years could claim that their elderly husbands who suffer from natural age related impotence are now somehow in breach of what is expected of them in a marriage. This is not the first time at Ukmedix News that we have come across impotence and divorce. In parts of India which are regulated by [Hindu marriage rules](#), impotence has been used by women to nullify marriages. In fact sometimes the claims of the women are justified especially when they enter into [arranged marriages](#) with much older men who claim to be sexually potent when in fact they are unable to perform. Whether or not impotence is enshrined in the law as the grounds for divorce there's no doubt that it causes a great deal of stress and anxiety not only for the man but also for the woman in the relationship. A healthy sexual relationship is an important part of any marriage and men suffering from erectile dysfunction should get medical help as soon as possible. The prescription medications [Viagra](#), [Cialis](#) and [Levitra](#) have helped millions of men around the world to save their marriages.

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