

Death in Sea - Who is Responsible?

One more tragedy of refugees drowning in the sea witnessed.

The incident resulted hundred of deaths when a vessel carrying 750 migrants to Italy turned over in Mediterranean near Greece. Initial reports suggest the migrants belong to Pakistan - more than 300 - Syria - almost 150 - and others from Afghanistan, Palestine. In total a hundred and more are rescued but hopes are dying for remaining 600 to be alive or not.

Here arises the question about responsibility of the incident. In broad sense, economic, political and social disappointments of people from its state are major reasons for such illegal immigrations. On the other hand, European xenophobic policy of avoiding refugees also results in these incidents. It is reported that Greece coastal guards contacted the vessel and offered help. Even they did not succeed in countering the disaster.

When it comes to Pakistan - having majority of refugees on the vessel - the incident is not uncommon. Earlier this year, our sports women Mrs. Pervaiz along with others drowned while traveling to Europe for her child's medical treatment.

she was travelling with human traffickers when their ship collided with the rock and drowned. All previous incident and current incident shows how poor health facilities and financial disappointments make people to travel ~~on such hazard~~ out of country illegally. Although, PTA tasked FIA to get rid on human traffickers who trick people but it is not enough. Unless government fulfills its real responsibilities, including - provide financial, political and social safety to its citizens, similar events may take place again.