

THE FACTES OF CIRCUMSTANCE HAPPENED ON AW-WERIQUA MONUMENT SITES

AW-WERIQUA site has been selected for the construction purpose of water reservoir for HARAR WATER SUPPLY AND SANITATION PROJECT so as to supply water for Jugol and proposed Millennium Village areas. Meanwhile, there was no other option to get the place having the requirement elevation other than "Aw-Weriqua Wequfi" areas.

In addition to that, the site was assessing with Amir-Nur Kebele Administration, "Weqfi" committee representative and with the project staff member. No body even knew that the place is cementer rather than the place was used for farming and the fee of rental was given to the "Wefqi" committee.

Moreover, the "Wefqi" committee made an agreement with some local association to use the land as breeding areas.

On the other hand, the project coordination office intended to compensate for the lands and decided to construct the reservoir and handed over the sites for the Chinese civil contractor CGC over seas.

Since then, no body suspect that the place has grave and it is a place of cemetery. As the result , the contractor commenced bulky excavation with out care and dumped surplus material near "Gujuf" area. Then, while we were supervising the site, some Harari people near by the site , told us there is some sign of grave. We instruct the Chinese contractor to stop immediately and we try to collect all the skeletons. After half an hour the leader of " Kebri Committee" , Cultural Berou representative , Amir-Nure Kebelea Administration leaders and " Harari Gobaea " was arrived one after another and instruct us to stop all activities , in the next day we were discuss about the events happened with the Harari elders and all Concerned office representatives , and finally agreed to get back all the excavated materials and reinstate the place as it was as well as to collect the bones and barred on the original place.

Even though, all these problems were happened unexpectedly. and though immediately essential correction have been done consulting the "Afochas, Aulemas" and elders of the region. We are so sorry for those misinterpret the situation and create "Fitna" amongst us with out any factual information and/ or just by detesting Harari National League.

It may also very important to mention a similar case faced in Oromia Region and Diredewa Administration so as you expect such events in any construction projects, that is during excavation of the project it was found 11 brave in Diredewa Jellobelina area,

in Oromia even fresh grave site was excavated but with the local people and "Ulemas" of the area , we tried to shift and bury in other place , similarly in Harar Hameressa Olembo area fresh body of soldier grave with their uniform was found and we tried to settle the case same as DD .

Moreover during excavation explosive mines also found in Melkagebdu area and with the help of military people we have excavated and laid the pipe.

Considering all the above fact occurred in Derdewa and Oromia the issue has not been politicized, but in the case of Harar's "AW-WERIQA" it has been Exaggerated and seems to get political benefit .

There fore, please let us habit examining things detail before the dissemination of wrong or misunderstanding information. This is because of to keep our solidarity and unity. Let' Stand beside the regional government to alleviate water problem of Harar .