



Tedla Asfaw

Ato Gebre Medin Araya's, " Tigray Betelate Eje Mewdekena Yasketelew Mezez" part one and two, fourteen pages in Amharic is a timely piece on this 25th anniversary of the famine in our country Ethiopia. Sadly, another famine is unfolding at this very moment and those who want to make money out of it are well organized as usual. "Sewe Berasu Sanba Endayetefense Newe" interview of Ato Asgede who wrote two books recently about TPLF and was one of the eleven founders of TPLF also exposed what he knows about the current situation in Tigray, famine and politics.

Ato Asgede on his recent interview with Reporter identified many places in Tigray that has been exposed to drought. However, the regions suffering from drought in Ethiopia currently, BBC and other foreign medias showed Tigray as non drought area. This is not a surprise and deliberately a misinformation campaign by TPLF. These foreign medias got their information from the regime in power and take it without checking other resources.

This false information is purposely designed to misinform the Ethiopian people as Tigray Region/Kilil as beneficiary of the development plan on Tigray for the last nineteen years. The propaganda of other regions in Ethiopia to learn from Tigray was deliberately orchestrated to isolate the people of Tigray from other Ethiopians.

Ato Gebremedhin on his educating piece , I recommend all to read, exposed how TPLF benefited from the famine of 1984 to build its money empire which later culminated as EFFORT . The one hundred million dollar handed over to Meles Zenawi and Sebat Nega by Bob Geldof, the organizer of live aid, in Sudan needs further investigation. It is a big robbery unknown for many of us especially to those who donated their money after they saw the heartbreaking video of a child seating on his dead mother body.

The one hundred million dollar is now on Meles Zenawi and Sebat Nega's foreign account according to Ato Gebremedhin and we have the right to ask Bob Geldof what he knows. We know this money had not reached to the dying and starving people on whose name the money was collected.

The tons of food shipped to Sudan port had also ended up for sale in Middle East and somewhere else and it will be very hard to track what happened . However, by exposing such criminal activities of TPLF we can alert foreign donors not to hand over their aid to be controlled by TPLF and its Sudan collaborators. We know that Sudan port is the port chosen by TPLF to unload foods and other donated materials for the starving people this time.

Famine has been a gold mine for TPLF bosses. Their wealth back home and in foreign countries is at the expense of dead children women and the elderly. It is time to bring these criminals to justice. There is no statute of limitations on such crime.