AN ANALYTICAL STUDY ABOUT THE ILLEGAL MIGRATIONS IN POST WAR SRI LANKA (WITH SPECIAL REFERENCE TO AUSTRALIA)

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Human migration is not a new thing which started in recent time but it is a phenomenon, which occurred in the ancient time due to many reasons. When the relationship is discussed about the migration there are two sectors. They are internal migrations and international migrations. It can be divided as legal migration and illegal migration as well. It is important to analyze illegal international migrations in relation to Sri Lanka according to this research. When compared through new developments more than the legal people migration, illegal people migration has increased gradually in the world. It can be shown up that Illegal migration has increased gradually especially in a developing country like Sri Lanka. There are reports that Tamil nationals have migrated to countries such as Italy, Canada, Australia and India as refugees during the war time. But during the post conflict era these illegal people migrations have not minimized. In relation to this research, as the problem for researching, a research was conducted why the people in Sri Lanka are attempting to migrate to Australia illegally in the post conflict era. As the objectives of this research, activities were executed to look into reasons and facts for illegal migrations, to look into the reasons and facts of migrating the majority to Australia and to study the legal frame, which is available to prevent the illegal migrations and etc. The preliminary data and secondary data were utilized for this study and as the limitations of the study were to be limited for an assignment and had to comply with the limitation of time. As the results of these research economic reasons, domestic violence and curiosity about the journey can be pointed out. This condition has increased as especially majority of Tamil people are engaged in these illegal migrations and since the Australians are in a high level for hospitality. The people, who are engaged in the employments related to fisheries industry have thoroughly compelled to this situation. Because of these illegal international migrations, economical, social and political scandals have been created in Sri Lanka.

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