

Hanging Saddam....Would it solve the problem?

While the verdict of 'death by hanging' for the deposed and disgraced Iraqi president Saddam Hussein might give a false sense of metaphoric utopia to people at large, we all know it wouldn't bring even a feigned relief to those right in the midst of the relentless cycle of sectarian violence and insurgent attacks that is killing hundreds every week all across Iraq.

If death of Saddam will restore peace and ensure security across Iraq, then we can all rest assured that justice has been served, the invasion of a sovereign country and the sacrifice of nearly 3000 men and women of the US military and hundreds of thousands of innocent Iraqis was justified. The world can certainly kick its shoes and take solace in that peace will eventually prevail and that all of Iraq will become one 'green zone' of tranquility.

On the other hand, if this turns out to be the catalyst to a bloodier chapter in the history of humanity and plunges Iraq deeper into anarchy and by proxy turns its provinces into gallows for many more of its citizens, we would know, we as Americans, willingly or unwillingly, chose a perilous path which is paved with danger - not necessarily for the Iraqis alone.

By the way, if Saddam is being hanged for allegedly ordering the killing of 148 Shiites in Dujail in 1982, then by the same token, the notorious noose must be able to find many more arrogant necks around the globe for far more horrendous crimes than those committed by Saddam!