



Shaheed Pankaj Kumar Kar

Date of birth: 2 December, 2001
Date of martyrdom: 5 August, 2024
Division: Sylhet
District: Sylhet

Short Biography

Profession: CNG Driver.

Place of Martyrdom: Kalighat Mosque, Sylhet

Martyrdom Details and History

Shaheed Pankaj Kumar was born on December 2, 2001. His birthplace is Jhalopara, Bharkhola, Sylhet. His father, Nikhil Chandra Kar, is a CNG (auto-rickshaw) driver by profession. His mother, Archana Rani Kar, is a homemaker. Their family consists of five members.

Shaheed Pankaj studied up to the 8th grade. Due to poverty, he could not continue his education. To support his family financially, Pankaj learned to drive a CNG vehicle. Both father and son used to drive rented CNGs to run the household. He also enrolled his younger brother and sister in school. His younger brother, Pallab Kumar Kar, is currently studying in the 12th grade, and his younger sister, Ananya Kar, is studying in the 9th grade.

Detailed Incident

On August 5th, due to the student-public movement, the autocracy fell. The autocratic ruler, murderer Hasina, secretly fled after shutting down the internet nationwide. Before this, the murderer Hasina's government established a reign of terror in the country. It deprived people from their fundamental rights. Through disappearances, extrajudicial killings, injustice, oppression, extortion, terrorism, money laundering, etc., it consolidated power. The extent of their injustice and oppression surpassed all previous autocrats. The long-standing grievances of the people coalesced into a movement. Bestial torture was inflicted on the people by partisan police members. The police's savagery surpassed even the Pakistani occupation forces of 1971. The student-public quota reform movement transformed into a movement to overthrow the autocracy. Failing to suppress the movement, the government adopted an aggressive policy. It created chaotic situations on campuses. University halls became torture cells by Chhatra League. Ordinary students were subjected to inhumane torture under the label of Shibir. Abbrar Fahad of BUET was tortured all night long in the Chhatra League's torture cell for speaking in favor of the country. His dead body was recovered in the morning. Biswajit, a Hindu, was hacked to death in front of Jagannath University on suspicion of being a Shibir member. Chhatra League terrorists used to abduct and torture businessmen who refused to pay extortion. Rape, drug trafficking, smuggling, and hall occupation were all crimes associated with the notorious Chhatra League. It was as if anything was permissible if one was a member of Chhatra League. These terrorists from the historically tainted and despicable Chhatra League, in the name of a student organization, got away with hundreds of crimes. These criminals roamed freely, emboldened by the shelter of government MPs and ministers.

Long-standing grievances coalesced in the minds of the people. The movement took on a massive scale with the participation of people from all classes and professions. The autocracy fell after 36 days of bloody

movement.

On August 5th, when the news of murderer Hasina's flight from the country spread, celebration rallies broke out across the country. Around 4:30 PM, Pankaj joined a victory rally with his friends from his area. But he did not return home. When he did not return home late at night, his family became worried. Everyone started searching. Family members and relatives joined the search. They searched various places in the city but were unsuccessful. Not finding him anywhere, they started searching Sylhet Osmani Hospital and other hospitals. Meanwhile, the mother was almost driven mad by the loss of her son. She stopped eating and drinking. Three days passed like this. Shaheed Pankaj was not found. On August 8th, around 10:30 AM, a call came from an unknown number. The phone call informed them that several unclaimed bodies were lying in Kotwali Police Station. They were asked to come and see if Pankaj's body was among them. It was also informed that several bodies had been recovered from the Kalighat mosque. Upon receiving the news, the Shaheed's family quickly went to the police station. They were shocked to see so many bodies at the police station. They had never seen such a horrific scene before. The mother had no difficulty identifying her son's body lying by the wall. She burst into tears seeing her son in such a gruesome state. He had been brutally murdered. The killers had tortured Shaheed Pankaj like goons and killers. It is impossible for anyone with a sane mind to kill someone so mercilessly. Before killing him, the killers stabbed his hands, legs, and chest with knives. Not satisfied with that, they shot him in the chest and killed him.

Funeral

That same day, Shaheed Pankaj's body was taken home from the police station. His funeral was held there. As the Shaheed's body burned in the pyre, the fire of grief for the loss of a loved one burned in the hearts of his family and relatives.

Family Condition

Shaheed Pankaj's family is financially disadvantaged. His father, Nikhil Chandra Kar, is a CNG driver by profession, and his mother, Archana Rani Kar, is a housewife. Their family consists of five members.

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Personal Information of the Shaheed at a Glance

Name : Shaheed Pankaj Kumar Kar

Occupation : CNG Driver

Date of Birth : 02/12/2001

Place of Birth : Jhalopara, Varthakala, Sylhet

Father : Nikhil Chandra Kar

Mother : Archana Rani Kar

Date of Injury : August 5, 2024

Date of Martyrdom : August 5, 2024

Permanent Address : Village: Nrisingha, Jiur Akhra Union: Jhalopara, Varthakhala

: Police Station: Dakshin Surma, District: Sylhet

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Proposals

1. Construct a permanent house for the Shaheed's family.
2. Provide a one-time financial grant and regular monthly allowance.
3. Ensure all expenses of the Shaheed's family are covered.

Quranic Verse

Indeed, Allah has purchased from the believers their lives and properties in exchange for Paradise. (At-Tawbah 9:111)

Hadith

A martyr will be able to intercede for seventy relatives in Paradise. (Sunan Abu Dawood 2520)

Prayers offered: 0

Memorial Photo Gallery



