



Shaheed
Md. Ariful Mia

Date of birth:	1 June, 1996
Date of martyrdom:	5 August, 2024
Division:	Dhaka
District:	Gaibandha

Short Biography

Profession: Day Laborer (Carpenter), working at "Mayer Doa Furniture," Chandura, Palli Bidyut
Place of Martyrdom: Ansar Academy

Martyrdom Details and History

Md. Ariful Mia, a day laborer by profession, spends his life working as a carpenter. His daily labor supported his family, and within that, lied the fulfillment of his life. At the Ma'er Doa Furniture, adjacent to the rural electricity line, new furniture was crafted daily by his hands, as if his labor itself turned into art. Ariful Mia's permanent address is in the village of West Gopinathpur, in the Palashbari Upazila of Gaibandha district. He grew up in this village, and the simplicity of village life was embedded in his character. In the village, he was known by everyone as a harmless and honest person. Truthful, straightforward, and always hardworking, Ariful lived a simple life but executed every task with dedication. His days were spent as a carpenter, and that work was his means of livelihood. As a reflection of his simple life, he successfully managed to support his family through the value of his own labor.

The incident of Ariful's Martyrdom

It was a turbulent time in July 2024. The quota reform movement gradually spread a fire of anti-discrimination among the people. This movement, which started with the call of students, eventually transformed into a massive revolt against autocracy. People from all walks of life, regardless of nationality, religion, or caste, took to the streets to protest against deprivation and oppression. The anger and frustration of the youth spilled onto the streets, shaking the very foundation of the autocratic regime. August 5th an ominous day in the history of Bangladesh. Sheikh Hasina, the power-hungry ruler, saw her throne wobble. Yet, even at the brink of losing power, she left behind a brutal legacy. Under her orders, armed forces were unleashed across the country, and they were given death warrants targets being innocent students and the public.

It was 3:00 PM at the Safipur Ansar Academy area. Armed Ansar forces, numbering around 400-500, began firing rubber bullets against the students, as though an unknown enemy stood before them. But these unarmed people had no enemy they were the children of the nation, they were common people, and their voices carried the demand for justice. At 4 PM, the rubber bullets stopped, and direct, lethal gunfire began. Md. Ariful Mia, a carpenter, was on the streets at that moment. The anguish of all the injustices he had endured brought him to join the people. He had stepped into the streets in support of the anti-discrimination movement, with dreams of equality a neutral, just society. But that dream was cut short by the bullets of the Ansar forces. At 4:0 PM, the bullets that pierced his chest seemed to silence his life.

At 2:20 AM, Md. Ariful Mia passed away. His lifeless body was taken into the depths of the dark night. This story is not his alone; it is the story of thousands of deprived people. Their dreams that day merged into the bloodstained streets, and their sacrifice became an inseparable chapter in the history of the nation's struggle.

Feelings of Close Relatives About the Shaheed

A neighbor of Shaheed Ariful Mia said, "Ariful Mia was a good human. He never shirked from his work. He performed his five daily prayers regularly. In the past four to five years, I never had any conflict with him."

Financial Condition of the Shaheed's Family

Shaheed Md. Ariful Mia was a carpenter who earned his family's livelihood through hard work. His wife worked as a worker in a garment factory, earning a modest salary of 13,500 BDT, trying to meet the family's needs. However, this was not enough to overcome their financial distress. Ariful's family had one son, who was studying in a madrasa in the nursery or first grade.

Due to their difficult financial situation, the family did not receive any additional support, which added to their suffering. Ariful Mia's life was one of struggle, where every day was a battle for survival. His sacrifice and struggle were always dedicated to the well-being of his family, but the family's economic hardship had become a permanent reality in their lives.

Personal Information of the Shaheed at a Glance

Name : Md. Ariful Mia

Profession : Day laborer (Carpenter), Mother's Dua Furniture, Chandara, Near Rural Electricity

Permanent Address : West Gopinathpur, Union: Palashbari, Thana: Palashbari, District: Gaibandha

Current Address : Chandara, Rural Electricity, Ward 7, Kaliakair, Gazipur

Father's Name : Khaja Mia, Age: 54, Profession: Farmer

Mother's Name : Mosha Rashida Begum, Age: 43, Profession: Housewife

Source of Income : Day laborer

Family Members : 7

Siblings : 4

: 1. Mohammad Jisan, Age: 9, Profession: Student, Molla Jalalia Madrasa

: 2. Ashikul Islam, Age: 30, Profession: Large Carpenter (Elder Brother)

: 3. Mosha Khadija, Age: 30, Garment Worker

: 4. Mosha Nuri Akter

Location of Incident : Ansar Academy

Attackers : Ansar

Injury Date

and Time : 05/08/2024, 2:00 AM

Date and Time

of Death : 05/08/2024, 2:00 PM

Current Burial

Location : Family graveyard in the village

Quranic Verse

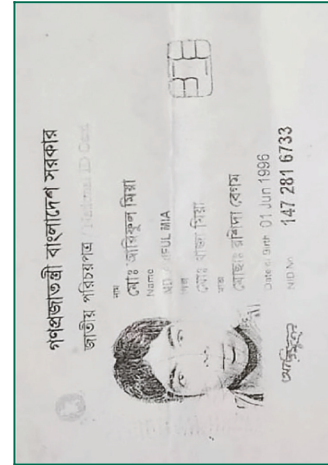
Never think of those killed in the cause of Allah as dead. Rather, they are alive with their Lord, receiving provision. (Al-Imran 3:169)

Hadith

The souls of the martyrs are in the bodies of green birds. (Sahih Muslim 1887)

Prayers offered: 0

Memorial Photo Gallery



Video

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UAd7kt41LuI>