



Shaheed
Md. Shoriful Islam

Date of birth: 2 April, 2004
Date of martyrdom: 5 August, 2024
Division: Dhaka
District: ঝাড়াপাড়া

Short Biography

Profession: Student
Place of Martyrdom: Abodan Mor, Mawna Chourasta

Martyrdom Details and History

Hafiz Md. Shoriful Islam was born in April 2004 in Kewapara West Khand village of Sreepur Thana, Gazipur District. His father's name is Shukur Ali and his mother's name is Kulsum Akhtar. The total number of family members including five siblings is seven. Shaheed Shoriful studied in the tenth-grade science department of Channapara Dawatus Sunnah Madrasa. He was known for his beautiful recitation. From childhood, the talented Shoriful was known to the society in a special way. He dreamed of becoming an Islamic scholar when he grew up. The Shaheed's father was a small grocery shopkeeper. As it was difficult to meet the expenses of a family of seven with the income from the grocery shop, Shoriful used to tutor. The two younger brothers and the elder sister were students, so their education expenses were high.

On July 36th, i.e., August 5th, a mass revolution led to the fall of a despised government. The contribution of the students of knowledge of Islam in the July movement was remarkable. The previous Awami League government carried out brutal atrocities on the students of Qawmi Madrasas. On May 5, 2013, in Shapla Chattar, Motijheel, the capital, innocent Madrasa students were killed in the darkness of night by firing bullets, sound grenades, tear shells, and rubber bullets. Moreover, various militant dramas were staged using Madrasah students at different times. For this reason, the Madrasah students were vocal against the misrule of the Awami League.

In 15 years of Awami misrule, Quranic Tafsir Mahfils or any religious events were not allowed in many places. Religious meetings and events were disrupted by labeling them as Jamaat-Shibir at every turn. They made a heinous attempt to turn the slogan "Naray-e-Takbir" into a slogan of militants and to turn beards and caps into the attire of terrorists. During the long Awami rule, they tried to portray the Islamic supporters of Bangladesh as monsters by allocating government funds to dramas, movies, and novels. Therefore, the vocal presence of Madrasah students was noticeable in any anti-government movement. With the slogan "Naray-e-Takbir Allahu Akbar" on their lips and the desire to be Martyred in their hearts, they jumped into the movement of the July-August mass uprising. Even when Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina, who had fallen victim to public wrath, fled the country on August 5, attacks by police, BGB, Ansar, and Awami terrorists continued. Thousands of people were killed and injured. Shaheed Hafiz Md. Shoriful Islam was one such Shaheed of that historic day.

How He Was Martyred

The quota reform movement that took place in Bangladesh in July 2024 gradually turned into a public movement. It spread across the country as an anti-discrimination student-public movement. Initially, the non-violent movement of the general students gradually moved towards an uprising against the fascist government. Gradually, this movement was not limited to the students; it became a huge mass uprising of

the people of the country. People of all castes, religions, and creeds expressed solidarity with this uprising and took to the streets. Faced with the wrath of the angry people, the head of the autocratic government, Sheikh Hasina, was forced to resign on August 5. But before resigning, she left behind countless deeds of her heinous and distorted mind. As part of this, armed forces were unleashed on the protesters and many innocent people. The freedom-loving people were Martyred by their bullets. When the killer forces of the autocratic government were indiscriminately firing on the students, Hafiz Shariful regularly participated in the movement, risking his own life.

When the movement was in its final stage, he joined the movement at noon on August 5. When he was coming with a procession at the Abdan intersection of Maona Chowrasta in Gazipur district, the police force and terrorist BGB, patronized by the autocratic government, suddenly started firing on the protesters. When everyone was running here and there, Hafiz Shariful was in front of the procession. Suddenly a bullet hit his right chest. Then he fell on the spot. The inhumane BGB soldiers shot him in the head to ensure his death. Hafiz Mohammad Shariful Islam went to eternal sleep on the spot. After searching for a long time that night, the Shaheed's father found his body at Al-Hera Medical Center. The father could not bear to see the body of his young talented son and broke down in tears. Later, his funeral was held the next morning at the Madrasa ground in his area. He was buried in the graveyard of Ward No. 7 of Sreepur Municipality.

Comments About the Shaheed

The Shaheed's neighbor, Md. Kawsar, said about him; as far as I know, Shoriful Islam was a very good person. He was a Hafiz of the Quran. He used to offer 5 times daily prayers regularly and used to lead Tarawih prayers in Ramadan. He used to inquire about everyone, young and old, in the area. I pray that Allah accepts his Martyrdom.

Shaheed's Personal Information at a Glance

Name : Hafiz Md. Shoriful Islam (20)

Occupation : Student

Permanent Address : Kewash Pashchim Khand, Sreepur Municipality, Gazipur

Date of Birth : 04/02/2004

Father : Shukur Ali (59)

Occupation : Business

Mother's Name : Kulsum Akhtar

Occupation : Housewife

Shaheed's Siblings

Sister : Mosha. Jannat (25)

Sister : Mosha. Rabeya (22)

Brother : Ariful Islam (18)

Number of Family Members : 5

Family Income : 7000 Taka

How to Help

1. Bear the cost of parents' treatment
2. Take responsibility for siblings' education
3. Provide financial assistance to parents

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

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

Prayers offered: 0

Memorial Photo Gallery

