



Shaheed Mosammat Liza

Date of birth: 1 January, 2004
Date of martyrdom: 21 July, 2024
Division: Barishal
District: Bhola

Short Biography

Profession: Domestic Helper

Place of Martyrdom: From the 4th-floor balcony of Shantinagar Mor Flyover

Martyrdom Details and History

Mosammat Liza was born on January 1, 2004, in Deulia Shibpur village, Sachra Union, Borhan Uddin Upazila, which falls under the Bhola district. Her father, Joynal Shikdar, is a farmer by profession, and her mother, Yanur Begum, is a housewife.

Family's Financial Condition

Shaheed's father, Joynal Shikdar, supported the family by farming. But as his father grew older, he could not manage the household with the limited income, so he was forced to send Liza, his daughter, to Dhaka for work. To manage the household, including her parents' medicine, Liza (20) worked hard in Dhaka, doing household chores for others, earning money by skipping meals. Although Liza's small income covered the family's expenses, it was somewhat helpful for her parents, but now, after Liza's death, that source of support has also shrunk. In such a situation, it is difficult for her father to bear the burden of the family's expenses.

On the one hand, Liza's parents have grown old and are not in a condition to work. On the other hand, after the marriage of her brothers and sisters, everyone lives separately. In this situation, Liza's death is simply unbearable. With communication closed across the country on the one hand and the internet connection shut down on the other, the illegal government carried out such indiscriminate massacres on people in all areas of the country that it was not possible to convey the news of Liza's death at that time.

Background

The 15 years of Awami misrule, vote-rigging, corruption, murder, injustice, and oppression had created a negative reaction in the public mind. The Awami government again began to conspire regarding the re-establishment of the quota system. In 2018, Sheikh Hasina accepted all the demands in the face of strong student protests, but in her heart, there was a volcano of hatred. Therefore, in 2024, after consolidating power in an election without opposition parties, the Hasina government again wanted to bring back the quota. A continuous movement began on July 1st for the reform of quotas in government jobs. This non-violent movement turned violent from July 15th.

In the movement, armed killer Chhatra League, Jubo League, Shechashebok League, and police, RAB members began attacking unarmed students and the public. After the Martyrdom of Shaheed Abu Sayeed in Rangpur, the movement turned into a mass movement. The quota reform movement gradually took the form of a public movement. It spread across the country as a movement of anti-discrimination students and the public. At the beginning, the non-violent movement of ordinary students gradually moved towards an anti-fascist government uprising. Gradually, this movement was not limited to just the students; it became

a huge mass uprising of the country's general public.

People of all castes, religions, and creeds expressed solidarity with this uprising and took to the streets. In the face of the angry public, the head of the autocratic government, Sheikh Hasina, was forced to resign on August 5th. But before resigning, she left behind countless evil deeds of her vile and distorted mind. As part of this, armed forces were unleashed on the protesters and many innocent people. Unarmed, oppressed people were being martyred by their bullets.

How She was being martyred

Without thinking about humanity, just to keep power, they started indiscriminate firing, including bullets and tear gas. That bullet hit Liza, an ordinary woman working as a domestic helper in a house. She was shot while standing on the balcony.

On Thursday, July 18th, Liza was staying at a house in Shantinagar, Dhaka. Around 3 pm, she came out of the room and stood on the balcony. At this moment, suddenly, a bullet fired by the killer hit her stomach. She was immediately taken to Kakrail Aurora Specialized Hospital.

Her condition worsened there. Later, from that hospital, Liza was taken to Popular Medical College Hospital in critical condition. There, while undergoing treatment, she passed away on Monday, July 22nd, at 3:50 pm while in the ICU, leaving behind all the illusions of the world.

Later, the doctor on duty declared her dead. May the great Allah grant her paradise. Ameen.

Funeral and Burial

There was no one to take the Shaheed's body. Who would take her? How would they take her to her village home? The fascist Hasina government had imposed a curfew everywhere. The autocratic Hasina government tried to control everything with her fostered police. Finally, after some effort, an ambulance was hired, and Liza's body was brought to her village home.

Thousands of people came to Liza's house to see the body. The tears of her parents, relatives, and locals could not be stopped by anyone. After the funeral in her area, she was buried there.

Feelings of a close relative about the Shaheed

Shaheed's father, Joynal Shikdar, says, "My heart is empty as my precious child, my daughter, has left me. My family is in poverty. I was forced to send my daughter to work due to poverty. I myself am disabled; one side of me is paralyzed. The salary my daughter earned kept my family going somehow. My daughter is one of the bravest and most sacrificing soldiers of one of the most glorious revolutions and uprisings in history. She died after being shot by a killer in the movement of freedom-seeking students and the public. May Allah grant her paradise."

Mother Yanur says, "My daughter was very good. She had no crime. There were no complaints against her. After 3 daughters from my 5 daughters and 2 sons, Allah gave me 1 son. But there was poverty in the family; these children would need money to raise. Where would I get so much money? I sent my daughter to work in Dhaka to help financially in the poor family. Who knew that she would empty my chest and leave the family prematurely? The people she worked for were also very good. I used to tell her to come home whenever she wanted.

My daughter, instead of coming, would say, 'I am fine here; I have some of my Quran reading left, I will finish this and come. Then you can get me married.'"

Shaheed Mosammat Liza at a glance

Full Name : Mosammat Liza

Birth : January 1, 2004

Birthplace : Bhola, Borhan Uddin

Occupation : Domestic Helper

Current and Permanent Address : Village- Deulia Shibpur, Union- Sachra, Thana- Borhan Uddin, District- Bhola

Father's Name : Joynal Shikdar

Mother's Name : Yanur Begum

Current Number of Family Members : 6

Date and Place of Incident : July 21, 2024, 2 PM, from the balcony of the 4th floor of Shantinagar Mor Flyover

Time of Injury : July 21, 2024, 2 PM

Assailant : Killer police force of the autocratic government

Date, Time, and Place of Martyrdom : Monday, July 22, 2024, at 3:50 PM in the ICU of Popular Medical College Hospital

Location of Shaheed's Grave : Social graveyard next to the house.

Proposal

1. Provide one-time financial grant and regular monthly allowance to the family.

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



Video

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