



Shaheed Abdullah Al Tahir

Date of birth:	17 April, 1996
Date of martyrdom:	19 July, 2024
Division:	Rangpur
District:	Kurigram

Short Biography

Occupation: Student

Place of martyrdom: Rangpur

Martyrdom Details and History

Abdullah Al Tahir was born on April 17, 1996, in the village of Jampara, Rangpur. His father, Abdur Rahman, was a homeopathic doctor, and his mother, Mosa. Shirina Begum, was a homemaker. Abdullah Al Tahir was the second of four children of his parents.

Education

Tahir began his education at Al Hera School in Rangpur. Alongside his formal studies, his mother enrolled him in children's organizations like Fulkurii. He studied at Al Hera School until the 8th grade and later completed his secondary education at Rangpur Technical School and College. After that, he pursued civil engineering for a year at Rangpur Polytechnic. Later, he enrolled in the Civil Department of the Ceramics Institute (RPI) in Dhaka, where he was studying in the 8th semester before his martyrdom.

The Extraordinary Tahir

Born into a devout family, Tahir was raised in the light of the Quran and Hadith. He was an obedient son and excelled not only in academics but also in extracurricular activities. From a young age, he was skilled in writing poetry, reciting, singing, and public speaking. His talents led him to become the assistant director of a well-known pronunciation and recitation group in Dhaka. He wrote poetry, rhymes, and songs filled with rhythmic beauty. He was simultaneously a singer, reciter, and actor, living his life in accordance with Islamic principles.

Professional Life

Tahir's family faced financial difficulties after his father suffered a stroke. With his father unable to work, his mother took charge of the household by teaching children to read the Quran at various homes. Witnessing his family's struggles, Tahir decided to fund his own education. He sold perfumes, caps, and earphones and sometimes made and sold crests with his personal machine. Despite financial hardships, Tahir never complained or sought help, instead choosing to live a simple and dignified life.

Tahir in the Movement

Under the dictatorship of Sheikh Hasina, who remained in power unlawfully, the country was turned into a bottomless basket. Oppression against the common people escalated—anyone who spoke out against injustice faced imprisonment, torture, murder, or disappearance. In educational institutions, talented students were repeatedly subjected to discrimination. Due to the quota system, many deserving students were deprived of job opportunities.

Amidst this injustice, a student movement against discrimination emerged, and Tahir actively participated in anti-government protests alongside his fellow students. As the movement intensified, the government, in a desperate attempt to suppress it, closed all educational institutions and imposed a nationwide curfew.

Tahir returned to his home in Rangpur. But how could someone raised in the light of faith remain silent? He continued participating in the student movement in Rangpur, joining every protest against discrimination.

Martyrdom

On Friday, July 19, 2024, like any other day of the movement, Tahir left his home at 11 AM to join the protest in front of Ram Mohan Roy Market in Rangpur City Corporation. He chanted slogans and actively led the protest. After attending Jumu'ah (Friday prayers), he rejoined the demonstration at 5 PM.

At that time, police officers and armed militants from Awami League's affiliated organizations launched a brutal attack on the peaceful student protesters. The police fired tear gas, rubber bullets, and live ammunition at unarmed students. In the chaos, a police bullet pierced through Tahir's stomach and exited through his back. He collapsed on the street. Two of his companions rushed him to Rangpur Medical College Hospital.

Upon hearing the news, his mother rushed to the hospital, where she found not only Tahir but many others wounded, writhing in pain. The hospital was filled with the cries of families mourning their loved ones. Due to excessive blood loss, Tahir fought for six to seven hours before succumbing to his injuries at approximately 11 PM.

Inna Lillahi wa Inna Ilayhi Raji'un.

With his martyrdom, Tahir gifted the nation a second wave of struggle for independence, leaving behind a legacy of resistance against tyranny. His death cast a shadow of grief over the entire movement.

The Feelings of His Parents

Tahir's parents expressed their pride in their son's sacrifice for the freedom of the nation. His grief-stricken father carried the coffin of his only earning son on his own shoulders. His mother, the "Mother of a Martyr," shared that she had envisioned her son's shrouded face while praying that day.

Call for Justice

Shaheed Abdullah Al Tahir, a humble, kind-hearted, and righteous young man, was brutally murdered in broad daylight by Awami League-backed terrorists, including members of the Chhatra League, Jubo League, and police forces. The local community and his parents have demanded exemplary punishment for those responsible.

Tahir has left the nation indebted to him. May Allah accept his martyrdom.

Shaheed's Personal Information at a Glance

Full Name: Abdullah Al Tahir

Date of Birth: April 17, 1996

Occupation: Student, Dhaka Ceramics Institute, 8th Semester

Father: Dr. Abdur Rahman (71), Homeopathic Doctor

Mother: Mosa. Shirina Begum (60), Homemaker

Number of Siblings: 4 (Tahir was the 2nd child)

Siblings' Details:

1. Rebeka Yasmin (36) – Homemaker (Sister)
2. Abdullah Al Tayyib (29) – Student (Brother)
3. Afsana Ferdousi Akhi (24) – Homemaker (Sister)

Current Address: Jumma Para, Ward No. 23, Kotwali Thana, Rangpur

Permanent Address: Bokbandha Namapara, Jadurchar, Roumari, Kurigram

Quranic Verse

They rejoice in what Allah has bestowed upon them of His bounty. (Al-Imran 3:170)

Hadith

Whoever sincerely asks Allah for martyrdom, Allah will grant them the status of martyrs. (Sahih Muslim 1888)

Prayers offered: 0

Memorial Photo Gallery

