

**Shaheed****Md. Rabiul Islam Rahul**

Date of birth: 12 November, 2007
Date of martyrdom: 9 August, 2024
Division: Rangpur
District: Dinajpur

Short Biography

Profession: Student

Place of Martyrdom: Dinajpur Medical College Hospital

Martyrdom Details and History

Martyr Rabiul Islam Rahul was born on November 12, 2007. His father, Mohammad Muslim Uddin, earns a living by selling fish in the area. Rahul is the youngest of three brothers. He was loved by everyone in the family. His two elder brothers work in garments and mobile servicing.

Shaheed Rabiul Islam Rahul is the son of Moslem Uddin from the Vidurshai Maharajpur area of Fazilpur Union in Dinajpur Sadar Upazila. He was a twelfth-grade student at Raniganj Yahia Hossain School and College. Studying and playing were his only focus. When the nationwide movement for quota reform began among the student community, Rahul, as a student, also became involved. He was an active participant in every program of the quota reform and anti-discrimination movement.

Finally, on August 4, 2024, he was injured by rubber bullets and shotgun pellets fired by the police at a rally of protesters and was admitted to the hospital. Later, he died in the ICU due to an infection in the wound.

The Day of the Incident

Since his birth, 17-year-old Rahul had only seen the Awami League and its fascist rule. The suppression of dissent, the killing of people in broad daylight through tagging, the ill-treatment of the opposition and dissenting opinions, the arbitrary use of power, the superficial glitter and internally hollow economic condition, the submissive foreign policy, the killing of people at the border, and above all, the overall plight of the country troubled Rahul as a politically conscious student.

When the just movement of ordinary students against the quota system turned into a mass anti-discrimination movement due to the government's continuous negligence and repressive policies, Rahul joined the movement as a conscious citizen.

The use of batons on disciplined protesters, tear gas, sound grenades, and shotgun pellets on college and university students, and above all, the large-scale incitement of the peaceful mass movement. The government's internet shutdown, the nationwide curfew, the area-based blackouts at night, and the searches and mass arrests in people's homes exceeded the limits of public tolerance. As a result, the general public, fed up with the misrule of the past 15 years, ignored the bloodshot eyes of the fascist government and took to the streets. They joined the movement of college and university students. The student movement turned into a mass movement.

But the strong public support for the movement could not bring the government to its senses. The government, blinded by the lust for power and looting, used maximum force to suppress the movement. There is no crime that the killer Hasina government and its Awami cohorts did not commit, including stealing corpses from hospital morgues, burning corpses after killing them, mass graves, and using helicopters to shoot and kill their own people. But at one point, when they realized that their time was up,

that the people of this Bengal would no longer accept them, they were ready to give a death bite. They began to indiscriminately kill their own people. But even then, they could not suppress the people.

On August 4, Rabiul Islam participated in the anti-discrimination student movement rally. Rahul was with other students in the student movement. After some time in the afternoon, the protesters took position at the hospital intersection in Dinajpur city. The police took position at the municipal railway crossing area. When the police chased the protesters, the protesters took position at the Judge's Court gate. The police opened the Judge's Court gate and started firing continuously with bullets and tear gas. At this time, a tear gas shell from the police landed in front of Rahul. Later, he was injured by police shotgun pellets. He was immediately taken to Dinajpur 250-bed General Hospital. There, doctors removed the bullets from his body. After initial treatment, he returned home. Later, when the injury became infected, he was sent to M Abdur Rahim Medical College Hospital again. When the infection spread, he was transferred to the ICU.

The doctor on duty in the hospital's ICU said that Rahul had pellet marks on his thigh. He also had difficulty breathing. He was admitted unconscious at approximately eight o'clock last Wednesday night. His blood pressure was very low, and he had a fever. A brain infection was detected. He died at approximately 7:15 pm on Friday while undergoing treatment in the ICU at Dinajpur's M Abdur Rahim Medical College Hospital.

Feelings of Close Relatives

1. Mother's feeling: I had great hopes for my son. My son is gone, and I will never get him back.
2. Father's feeling: The day Abu Sayeed died, my son said, "I will also be martyred to save the country, no one can stop me." That day he went to the rally.
3. Elder brother Alamin says: Rahul often said - "Nothing will happen in this country. Tadbir (influence) is needed to get any service. This country needs a radical change, and I will show it."
4. Aunt's feeling: He was an extremely innocent boy, he had a great interest in studies. His hope was to study and become very big.
5. Rabiul Islam's cousin says: He was in the twelfth grade. He was very good. Do the police fire like this? Killing people cannot be a sign of democracy.
6. Friend: He is a freedom fighter. His family should not be neglected.

Economic Condition: His father sells fish in the area. His two elder brothers work in garments and mobile servicing. His parents live in a dilapidated tin house.

Proposal: It would be helpful if his father could be given a business.

Shaheed's Personal Life at a Glance

Name: Rabiul Islam Rahul

Date of Birth: 12-11-2007

Father: Md. Muslim Uddin

Mother: Farida Khatun

Permanent Address: Village: Bidurshai, Union: 3 No. Khajir Bill, Thana: Kotwali, District: Dinajpur

Marital Status: Unmarried

Occupation: Student

Place of Incident: Sadar Medical More, Judge's Court Gate, Dinajpur

Time of Injury: 4-8-2024, 4 PM

Time of Martyrdom: 9-8-2024, 6:30 PM, Dinajpur Medical

Type of Injury: Shotgun pellets and rubber bullets

Assailant: Police

Current Location of Martyr's Grave: Maharaj Jame Mosque Graveyard

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



