



Shaheed
Md. Saiful Islam

Date of birth:	7 May, 1982
Date of martyrdom:	5 August, 2024
Division:	Dhaka
District:	Barisal

Short Biography

Profession: Driver.
Place of Martyrdom: Dhanmondi 32, Dhaka.

Martyrdom Details and History

Shaheed Saiful Islam was the father of four sons. He was born in Barisal District to his late father, Kuddus Sikdar, and mother, Amena Khatun. Later, due to professional commitments, he moved to the capital, where he lived in a rented house in Hazaribagh with his wife, Amena Begum, and their four children. Saiful Islam earned his livelihood as a driver and was the sole breadwinner of his family. His eldest son, who is currently in the eleventh grade, has had to take on the responsibility of supporting his large family at a young age. He has already started working as a laborer. Saiful Islam’s second son is in the fourth grade, while the youngest two are not yet of school-going age.

Saiful Islam was known for his kind and amiable nature, effortlessly forming close bonds with those around him. He was deeply committed to his duties and highly devoted to his faith. He never condoned injustice or falsehood under any circumstances.

Description of the incident of Martyrdom

On August 5, during the “March to Dhaka” protest of the Anti-Discrimination Student Movement, Sheikh Hasina’s regime collapsed. As always, the fascist ruler had ordered that the protesters be suppressed at any cost. However, in the end, she herself was forced to flee in fear of the revolutionary masses. Even after Sheikh Hasina fled, her loyal police force continued to open fire on student protesters in several locations.

It was around noon on August 5 when Shaheed Md. Saiful Islam left home with his eldest son and joined the protests on the streets. While his son returned home at 7 PM, Saiful Islam never did. Since he did not carry a phone, neither his son nor anyone else could contact him. The next day, his lifeless body was found near Dhanmondi 32 by the roadside.

Who will shoulder the responsibility of his wife and four children?

Md. Saiful Islam worked as a private car driver. With his limited earnings, he barely managed to support his family. He lived in a one-room rented house in Hazaribagh, Dhaka, with his wife and four children. Now, his wife Amena Khatun is struggling to make ends meet with their four children. The youngest, twin sons Faizan Islam and Fayaz Islam, are only two years old.

With no source of income, Amena Khatun cannot even afford three meals a day for her children. Their eldest son, Tanvir Alam (18), a student of Raihan School and College, has been forced to take up work as a laborer to support the family. Living in a cramped one-room rental is becoming increasingly difficult for them, and without any earnings, even paying rent has become a serious challenge.

Statements from close relatives

Md. Saiful Islam was known as a kind and compassionate person. He had a unique ability to form close bonds with people, even strangers. He always spoke with affection to the young and showed deep respect to his elders. He was highly responsible in fulfilling his family duties and was well-liked by his neighbors. He was also deeply devoted to his faith and diligently followed Islamic principles.

â€” Md. Hanif (Landlord)

Personal Profile of the Martyr

Name : Md. Saiful Islam

Date of Birth : May 7, 1982

Place of Birth : Barisal

Occupation : Car Driver

Monthly Income : Approximately 25,000 BDT

Address : House No. 70/01, Area: Jigatola, Thana: Hazaribagh, District: Dhaka

Spouseâ€™s Name, Occupation, and Age

Tania, Homemaker, 31 years old

Fatherâ€™s Name : Late Kuddus Sikdar

Motherâ€™s Name : Amena Khatun, Homemaker, 65 years old

Family Members : 5

Details of the Martyrâ€™s Family

Md. Saiful Islam was the father of four sons

â€¢ Tanvir Alam, Age : 18, Student (Grade 11)

â€¢ Tamim Islam, Age : 13, Student (Grade 4)

â€¢ Faizan Islam, Age : 2 years

â€¢ Fayaz Islam, Age : 2 years

Incident Details

â€¢ Location of the Incident : Dhanmondi 32

â€¢ Perpetrators : Police

â€¢ Time of Attack : Approximately 6:00 PM

â€¢ Time of Death : Approximately 10:00 PM

â€¢ Burial Site : Azimpur Graveyard

Quranic Verse

Do not say that those who are killed in the way of Allah are dead. Rather, they are alive, but you do not perceive it. (Al-Baqarah 2:154)

Hadith

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

Prayers offered: 0

Memorial Photo Gallery

