

Brutal torture and martyrdom of Master Abdul Qudoos in Rabwah

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SUMMARY

Martyrdom in our Community started with the martyrdoms of Abdul Rahman shaheed and Sahibzada Abdul Latif shaheed

Hudhur Aqdas said that God listened to the prayers of the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) and granted steadfastness to many Ahmadis and they offered their lives for the cause

Ahmadis were tortured and martyred in 1974 in Pakistan and also in Indonesia

As a part of enemy ploy, a sincere Ahmadi was brutally murdered in police custody after severe torture in Rabwah

Hudhur said that people of Rabwah should remember that Qudoos shaheed has done a tremendous favour on Jama'at and Jama'at never forgets its benefactors and InshaAllah we will always remember him

Hudhur began by reciting the following Quranic verses:

‘Think not of those, who have been slain in the cause of Allah, as dead. Nay, they are living, in the presence of their Lord, and are granted gifts from Him, Jubilant because of that which Allah has given them of His bounty; and rejoicing for those who have not yet joined them from behind them, because on them shall come no fear, nor shall they grieve. They rejoice at the favour of Allah and His bounty, and at the fact that Allah suffers not the reward of the believers to be lost. As to those who answered the call of Allah and the Messenger after they had received an injury — such of them as do good and act righteously shall have a great reward; Those to whom men said, ‘People have mustered against you, therefore fear them,’ but this only increased their faith, and they said, ‘Sufficient for us is Allah, and an excellent Guardian is He.’

(Surah Ale Imran, verses 170 – 174)

The Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) had a revelation:
'Good news to thee, O My Ahmad, thou art My purpose and with Me. I have planted the tree of thy honour with My own hand.' [Tadhkirah, p 301]

Hudhur Aqdas said under the influence of the Mullah the government in Pakistan and also in some other countries, thinks that by legislating against them, by depriving them of their civic rights and by targeting them with extremism and giving impunity to their killing, they can eradicate Ahmadiyyat

This is their mistake

Ahmadiyyat was grafted by God's hand and no power can destroy it

Progress of Ahmadiyya Community

Hudhur Aqdas said .., the progress and advancement of the Community shows that God's practical testimony is with our Community. Today our unification on the hand of Khilafat is a great practical testimony

Martyrdoms


Martyrdom in our Community started with the martyrdoms of Abdul Rahman shaheed and Sahibzada Abdul Latif shaheed

Hudhur Aqdas said God listened to the prayer in the last phrase of the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) and granted steadfastness to many and they offered their lives for the cause

The Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) said regarding the passing away of Sahibzada Abdul Latif shaheed: 'The late shaheed has given my Community a model with his death and fact is, my Community was in need of a great model.' He also said: 'Thousands upon thousands of thanks to Allah the Exalted; there are those who have accepted with sincerity of heart and have adopted this way with sincerity of heart and are ready to bear every pain in this cause. However, the capacities of this Community, of the kind the model of which this gallant man has demonstrated, are as yet unseen. May God teach that faith to everyone and grant that steadfastness of which this late shaheed has presented a model.'

Martyrdoms


During the riots of 1974 against Ahmadis about thirty five Ahmadis were martyred, some of them were tortured. Father was tortured in front of son and son was tortured in front of father to detract them from Ahmadiyyat while police stood by watching




In Indonesia Ahmadis were tortured publically and in the presence of the police



A few days ago, the in-charge of the Rabwah police station and his assistant locked up a most sincere Ahmadi for a month without bringing any charge against him



They then took him to another location where they subjected him to extreme torture for eight to ten days. This led to the sincere Ahmadi, whose name was Abdul Qudoos losing his life and attaining the status of martyrdom.



The detail of this incident is that a resident of Nusratabad, Rabwah was murdered in October. On the instigation of his son the police arrested different people on different occasions on suspicion of murder but they were all released without charge

On the say so of the deceased's son, Master Abdul Qudoos was arrested on 10 February. However, his arrest was not formally registered.

On 17 March the police transferred Qudoos sahib to another location. Ten days after taking him away, they brought him back and asked one of his friends to come and collect him. His friend was asked to sign a plain piece of paper declaring that he was taking Qudoos sahib back

Martyrdoms

Qudoos sahib was not very well so his friend promptly took him to hospital. It then transpired that he was subjected to extreme torture

Details of torture

On the night of 17 March he was taken away from Rabwah and tortured brutally



He was asked to sign a documents by many police officers. The papers cited false allegations against some central figures of the Jama'at, so Qudoos sahib refused to sign



He was told that if he signed the document saying that such and such people were involved in the murder he would be set free



Qudoos sahib refused saying it was not his statement and it was also not factual

Details of torture

On refusing to sign documents, he was severely beaten

They put him through a range of brutal physical torture techniques

He was put him through sleep deprivation. As soon as he would fall asleep they would start beating him up

There was a well-known villain in the cells with him. If they hit him five times, they would hit Qudoos sahib twenty five times

They taunted him to call his superiors from London or Rabwah to come and save him and used abusive language for elders

He was not fed regularly

Qudoos sahib said he endured the physical torture but was agonised when they used abusive language about Jama'at's elders

He said he did not have the strength to face the torture so he prayed to God to give him strength and was granted the same

Before his death, Qudoos sahib emotionally reported that despite all this torture police could not even make him write a dot

Hudhur said thus is the tale of one who kept his faith alive and stayed firm on truth

while this great martyr has given us other lessons, one lesson he gave us and on which the Ahmadiyya Community is based, is not to care for one's life for the establishment of Tawheed, (Oneness of God)

Details of torture

Qudoos sahib also fulfilled his pledge of Bai'at in an excellent manner

Details of torture

Hudhur said if having succumbed to torture, Qudoos sahib had given the desired statement of the torturers it could have proved very damaging for the national and international reputation of the Community

The Jama'at is trying to take action while staying within law

Hudhur Aqdas reiterated that had Qudoos sahib signed the papers it would have been most dangerous, many central office-holders may have been drawn in murder case, there could have been restrictions on the central offices

Hudhur Aqdas said: 'O Qudoos, we pay tribute to you; for you accepted to endure extreme torture but did not let the honour of the Jama'at be slighted. By giving your life you saved the Jama'at from a great tribulation.'

Hudhur Aqdas said Qudoos shaheed was not an ordinary martyr, he ranks high among martyrs. Everyone has to leave this temporary world one day. Fortunate is Qudoos sahib who is called living by God and who has been given a provision which is far more excellent than worldly provision. He will find out the true glad-tiding in the Hereafter.

God broke enemy's ploys through a gentle and sincere man

We should always remember the lesson of 'Sufficient for us is Allah, and an excellent Guardian is He' that he gave us.

Abdul Qudoos Shaheed

The Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) said that worldly people cannot harm one in any way if one has a strong connection with God.

Hudhur Aqdas said these people verbally abuse Ahmadis and use indecent words for the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) and injure our feelings and are happy to torture us but that day is coming soon when God will hold each and every one of them accountable

Qudoos shaheed has left a message for the Pakistani Ahmadis in general and Ahmadis of Rabwah in particular that without doubt we have to respect the law and respect governmental workers but there is no need to be afraid of any person, no matter how high a police officer he may be. One should only fear God

Hudhur Aqdas said a day will come when these very people will be obliged to respect Ahmadis. There may be delay in God's ways but there is never injustice. So, these people may have some time but we should turn to God and wait for His decree

Hudhur Aqdas said some police officers have said that criminal proceedings will be brought about in the Qudoos shaheed incident but at the same time pressure is being applied. May God enable them to do justice

Abdul Qudoos Shaheed

It is being claimed that senior officers and the government had nothing to do with this brutal incidence; However, if this matter is not done justly then it will mean that the entire governmental machinery was involved in this state-sponsored terrorism

Martyrs of Ahmadiyyat

Hudhur Aqdas said the Community will InshaAllah continue to progress

Each martyrdom should be a source of progress

We should pray that our impatience and our weakness of faith may not distant our destined success from us.

If, while being victimised we engage in Taqwa, patience, steadfastness, prayer and Istighfar more than before, we will soon experience triumph

May God make it so and may we soon see an end to cruelty in the name of religion and every other kind of cruelty in Pakistan and other Muslim countries



Qudoos shaheed was born in 1968, he was 43 years old. He was a teacher by profession. He was married in 1997.

- He was an able swimmer, keen sportman

He was hard working, obedient, cheerful,

- The sons are aged 14, 13 and 5 and the daughter is 10 years old.

**Abdul
Qudoos
sahib**

His wife has written to Hudhur that one day before passing away he advised his children to be steadfast and stay connected to Khilafat

Martyrs of Ahmadiyyat

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