

OBITUARY



Mohd. Asghar Qureshi

With profound sense of sorrow we report the untimely accidental death of Mr. Mohd. Asghar Qureshi at the age of 48 years. He remained in a coma for nine days and breathed his last on 17th June, 1978.

Mr. Asghar Qureshi was born in Lahore in June, 1930. He graduated from Islamia College, Lahore, did his M.Sc. in Botany from Government College, Lahore. He was selected for training in Forestry at Oxford in 1952 and joined the Punjab Forest Department in 1955 as Assistant Conservator of Forests. He served the Pakistan Forest Institute, Peshawar from 1959 in the capacities of Reader, Forest Botanist and Director, Biological Sciences Research Division. For a short spell he went back to his parent Department and returned to the Institute as Director, Biological Science Research Division in 1976 to be posted later as Director, Forest Education, the post which he held till that fateful day.

Mr. Asghar Qureshi was basically a devoted educationalist. He took keen interest in teaching and was one of the best teacher of Forestry Sciences in the country. He devoted his life to explore various fields of Forest Botany.

In him the country has lost not only a teacher and a scientist but also a man supremely human and of high moral values. Due to his simple living he was called a "Darvesh" by his admirers. He leaves behind a widow, three daughters and a son.

We offer heartfelt condolence to Mrs. M.A. Qureshi and members of the bereaved family. May his soul rest in peace (Amen).