34495 - Ruling on one who is killed in the fight against drugs

the question

Drugs have become widespread in the Muslim countries. If a man who is employed in the fight against drugs is killed during a drugs raid, is he considered to be a shaheed (martyr)? And what is the ruling on those who give information and help the law-enforcement officers to find the drug dens?.

Detailed answer

Undoubtedly the fight against intoxicants and drugs is one of the greatest forms of jihad for the sake of Allaah. One of the most important duties is for all members of society to cooperate in fighting that, because fighting it is in the interests of everyone, and because its spread harms everyone. Whoever is killed in the fight against this evil and has a good intention is one of the martyrs. Whoever helps to expose drug dens and tells the lawenforcement officers where they are will be rewarded for that and is also regarded as a mujaahid fighting for the sake of the truth, in the interests of the Muslims and to protect their society against something harmful. We ask Allaah to guide those who deal in drugs and to bring them back to their senses and grant them refuge from the evil of their own selves and the traps of their enemy the Shaytaan. May He help those who are fighting against them to do a good job. May He help them to do their duty, guide them aright and grant them victory over the Shaytaan, for He is the best to be asked.