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Mostofa Sarwar

You drifted away from mortal poison
Every day's struggles, unfair rat race
You took refuge here in this lighthouse

Ravenous solitude, symphony of waves,
Smell of salt, uncaged birds
Would be your harmless company,
You thought you are safe

You were sick of possession, worries, injustice
You wanted to be untied from shackles of norm

You thought: Demon would dwell in human jungles
But he showed up in this sanctuary of nothingness

Windows broken, lights extinguished,
Horizon over the shoreline patched by pelicans' coffins

Seagulls, butterflies, beavers – all ran away
Your mutilated carcass hanging from rafter