

1. The Mehrab wali Masjid (Garhi shahu)

The Mihrab Wali Masjid (mosque) is approached through a Sayyid Nawazish Ali street north of Mughalpura-Garhi Shahu Road by climbing a flight of Steps from the Lower court of the Shrine on the south, surrounded by houses belonging to the saint's descendants. It stood on its original Kursi.

After dismantling the original front wall, the prayer chamber was extended to the east, on a new foundation, to accommodate five rather than the original two rows. The original roof has also been dismantled and replaced by one in reinforced cement concrete, on beams. The remaining three original walls are intact but their interior surface now finishes in ceramic tiles. The second Mihrab on the west was completely renovated, whereas the front western Mihrab used by the imam was preserved in original, secluded by a wooden door. The roof of this mihrab however, was reconstructed as part of the new chamber roof. The interior wall surface of the mihrab still retains its original stucco plaster.

The courtyard retained the shrine of Sayyid Aram Mahmud, Sayyid Nawazish Ali, and some of his descendants and the grave of Jafar Khan Haft Hazari in a room therein, with a slate at the head inscribed with his name and date of death (1071 AH).

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