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EXT.HOME-MORNING

A big Tent (Pandal) comes in view.

INT. PANDAL- MORNING

Whole pandal is packed to its capacity. A man sitting on the dias comes in view. He is the sarpanch of the vaish biradri. close up of sarpanch.Sarpanch watches the whole activity in the pandal.Then

SARPANCH (In impressive voice) bulao naresh aur uske bete ko

One man runs through the people and disappears out of the pandal. Mid shot of sarpanch. More activity in the pandal comes in view. some people are blowing big handmade fans on the people, for air. Long shot. More activity comes in view in the pandal. Every one in the pandal including sarpanch are looking at the door of pandal. Naresh, Nikhil, Seema, Akshi and Arushi, with folded hands, enter the door. They are followed till they reach in the middle. Naresh and Nikhil are in underwear banian and gamchhas are hanging in their necks.

> SARPANCH CONTD. (looks at women) inko bhejo andar. aurton ne kuchh naheen karna hai. in dono ne apradh kiya hai to dand bhee in ko hee bhuqtaa hai

Ladies return. Naresh and Nikhil walk towards sarpanch and reach near the sarpanch. They stand with folded hands and bowed heads.

SARPANCH CONTD. (To Naresh) lao jee pahle jurmane ki rakam do

Naresh puts his hand into the pocket of his banyan and pulls out money, Rs.50000, and hands over them to Raghbar Dayal. Raghbar Dayal further hands over the money to the Sarpanch. Sarpanch immediately pushes the money into his pocket.

> SARPANCH CONTD. (in a haughty manner) theek hai. ab maango maafi poori biradri se, haath jod kar aur jhuk (MORE)

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SARPANCH CONTD. (cont'd) kar.jo apradh aap logon ne karne kee himmat kee hai uske liye kshma yachna.

Naresh and Nikhil both bow with folded hands and beg.

NARESH & NIKHIL ham bahut bada apradh karne jaa rahe the is ke liye ham poori biradri se mafi ki bheekh maangte hain aur vada karte hain ki zindgi mein bhool se bhee kabhi aisi galti nahin hogi.

They take a round at the same place as they were.Expressions of hatred and humiliation can be seen on their faces.

INT.HOME LOBBY-EVENING

Naresh, Seema, Nikhil, aakshi and arushi are sitting in the sofas humiliated and are in anguish.

NARESH (breaking the silence) teen laakh mein pad gaya ye panga

all look at Naresh

NARESH CONTD. kitne thath the hmaare kisi ki himmat naheen thee khansne kee lekin ek chhoti si baat ne zindgi barbad kar di

Naresh starts weeping bitterly. Seema and children also start weeping. Then Naresh calms down and put his head backwards on the sofa back. Thinks...

A black color Fortuner car seems running, in speed, on the highway. It surpasses all the vehicles on her way. Naresh,55, is driving the car.

A second white coloured Maruti Dzire seems running on the other road. Nikhil, 25, is driving the car.

A third white coloured Maruti K10 is running on the third road. It is not very fast only at 60KM/ph. A girl, Arushi, 23 is driving the car.

EXT. COMPANY OFFICE - MORNING

The black colored Fortuner stops in front of a company office. As the car stops, a peon comes running, opens the door, Naresh desscends and the peon salutes him. Naresh does not respond and gets in the office with straightened neck. Peon picks up the suit case from the car and runs after him.

EXT. COLLEGE - MORNING

Nikhil's car stops before a college. Nikhil comes out of the car and goes in the college. Some students on the way wish him good morning. Then he disappears behind a wall.

EXT. BANK - MORNING

Arushi's car stops in front of a bank. Arushi comes out of the car and glances the watch. She smiles and taking care of her lunch box and purse gets into the bank.

INT. NARESH CHAMBER - MORNING

As Naresh sits in his chair, employees come to wish him. He does not care and looks towards a few, shakes hands with only older employees. At the same time an employee, shukla (45) enters and sits in the chair after wishing him good morning.

> NARESH (Angrily) shukla, kaam poora ho gaya?

SHUKLA (Nervously) nahin sir, thoda sa baaki hai

raises eyes and lowers.

NARESH

(Furiously) shukla kaise kaam chalega yaar? teen din ho gaye ek hee kaam ko ghaseette huye aaj mujhe chahiye, kaise bhee, jaao ab

Shukla leaves without muttering any word and Naresh starts inspecting files lying on the table. At the same time a boy (26) enters the cabin.

BOY (Bashfully) namaste sir.

NARESH (without seeing up) Kitna waqat hua hai?

BOY sir vo meri maa-----

NARESH (Furiously) maine bahana naheen sunna har roz ka kaam hai tumhara let aana Naukari karni hai to achhi tarah karo varna chhod do

The boy keeps calm

NARESH CONTD. chal bhag yahan se | kal ko let ho to aana hee mat |

Boy leaves

NARESH CONTD.

aur han

Boy stops and looks into the eyes of Naresh Shukla ko bhejna

Boy leaves and after sometime Shukla enters the cabin. On seeing Shukla, Naresh bursts.

NARESH (bursting) ye kya kiya hai shukla?

He throws a file on Shukla. Shukla does not react and starts gathering the scattered papers of file and stands up holding the file.

NARESH CONTD. (disgustingly) kya karoge shukla zindgi mein. do page ke total tak nahin laga sakte tum. jao abhi theek kar ke le ke aao

shukla casts a slang look on Naresh and without saying any word disappears out of the cabin.

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EXT.COLLEGE GATE - DAY

Nikhil's car comes out of the college. An other car, at the same time, is entering the college in speed. Deepti(24) is on the driving seat. When both cars cross in the gate, Deepti glances at Nikhil and her car touches Nikhil's. A screaching voice comes. Nikhil puts breaks and comes out of the car. deepti also comes out of the car.

> DEEPTI (angirily) Oye, ye kya kar diya meri car ka?

NIKHIL (Bursting) E...ek chori upar se sina jori. You touched my car.

DEEPTI

(Full of rage) Zuban sambhal ke baat kar. Tune jaan boojh kar gaadi gate mein fansai

Deepti, mad in rage, goes to slap Nikhil. But Nikhil catches hold of her wrist as she waves her hand to slap Nikhil.

NIKHIL kya samjhti ho apne aap ko. han?

DEEPTI (releasing her arm) tu jaanta nahin main kaun hoon?

NIKHIL itna ladne ka shauk hai to ja military mein bharti ho ja.

Nikhil looks at his broken bumper of the car.

karnal ki beti hun main

NIKHIL CONTD. sari kar ka satyanash kar diya saali ne.

DEEPTI (bursting) oye zubaan sambhal ke baat kar varna munh tod doongi

NIKHIL la. karnal ki beti hai to harzana de jo gaadi todi hai. On hearing their heated arguments, students gather and look at both. gatekeeper apears from somewhere. He takes side of Nikhil.

GATEKEEPER

Nikhil ji, aap gaadi ek taraf kijiye. is amirzadi ko main dekhta hoon. (rebuking) e ladki...kasoor tera hai aur upar se lad rahi hai. hata kar idhar se.

Mixed voices of some students come in favour of Nikhil. Nikhil removes his car on the side.

DEEPTI

(To gatekeeper) nahin hatati bol kya karega? jab ise pata tha ki main aa rahi hoon to isne gadi gate me fansai hi kyon. (with sarcasm) Nikhil ji... han... ye professor hai yahan? han?

Students curse deepti. Deepti bursts more

DEEPTI

(To herself) hat oye... sala din hi ganda chadha hai. subah subah kis manhoos ka chehra dekh liya. din hi khrab jaayega.

Deepti goes towards Nikhil full of rage

DEEPTI tu isi college mein hai na? tujhe to main dekh loongi. mujhe zara... hat.

Deepti, full of rage, gets into her car and reverses it in speed. Suddenly he speeds her car and hit Nikhil's, breaking its bonut badly and then speeds in the college. Everyone looks at Deepti's running car, stunned. Nikhil looks at his car with amazement and then running Deepti's car.

> GATEKEEPER Sir, koi paagal ladki hai aisi ke munh mat lagna.

NIKHIL is ka pagalpan to main theek kar ke aata hoon abhi. samjhti kya hai apne aap ko? Nikhil starts going in but in the meantime two professors appear and pacify Nikhil and stop him going in. Nikhil leaves in his car.

INT. COLLEGE CAR PARKING - MORNING

Deepti parks her car and bewildered comes out of it. She shuts the door violently, opens the rear door and picks up her bag, a file folder and mobile.

> DEEPTI (Muttering) saale ne pehla din hi khrab kar diya.

She shuts the rear door with a thud, looks at her demaged car and hits the car with her right foot violently. It hurts her badly. She sits on the same place catching her aching foot. Because of anger and hurt her eyes go wet. In the meantime those two professors and students reach her.

> ONE PROFESSOR E... ladki ye kya badtamizi hai tumhari? padhti ho tum yahan?

DEEPTI (With fury) nahin. pdhane aai hoon. Bolo kya kehna hai?

Seepti looks direct into their eyes. Professors and students look aghast at the dialogue. Deepti takes care of her bag and file folder and leaves. Everyone looks at her with amazement as she leaves the place. Some students follow her at a distance. One girl student seems coming from the opposite side. Deepti gestures her to stop.

> DEEPTI mujhe principal saahib se milna hai

LADKI (pointing with a finger) vo aafis hai principal saahib ka

EXT. PRINCIPAL OFFICE - DAY

A peon (55-57) is sitting before the office on a stool. Deepti comes near him. The students who were following her disperse. Deepti turns her head and looks at them. Then asks the peon. DEEPTI uncle, mujhe printipal saahib se milna hai.

PEON apna card de do, pahuncha deta hoon

DEEPTI (Bewildered) card nahin hai mere pass

Peon looks at her amazingly.

PEON gussa kis baat ka hai. lad kar aa rahi ho kya kisi ke saath? naam kya hai tumhara?

DEEPTI han, lad kar aa rahin hoon. deepti hai mera naam.

PEON (rounding his hands) kya ho gaya hai aaj kal ke bachhon ko?

Peon disappears in the principal's office.

Deepti take care of her dress, rounds her hand on her hair, opens the file and see the papers and now she is ready to meet the principal. Peon comes out.

> PEON jao andar. principal saahib bula rahe hain.

Deepti disappears in the principal's office and after a while comes out accompanied by the principal. Principal heads her towards staff room.

INT. STAFF ROOM - DAY

Six professors are sitting in the staff room. Two professors are those who have seen the scuffle of Deepti with Nikhil. When principal and Deepti enter all get up.

> PRINCIPAL (Introducing Deepti) Professors, ye hain Deepti-Deepti Chalia. Your new colleague . She is a lecturer in English. Just joined.

Both the professors smile and speak together

PROFESSORS aayiye...gussa thanda ho gaya apka?

PRINCIPAL

kya huya?

ONE PROFESSOR Sir, ye mohtarama Nikhil ji se lad rahi thee aur inhonne gusse mein Nikhil ki car ko takkar maari aur kar tod di...professor shakes his head in despair.)

Principal looks at Deepti stunned.

DEEPTI maine nahin maari sar, usne apni car beech mein adaai thee.

PRINCIPAL koi baat nahin. kisi ko chot vot to nahin aai... now relax

Principal leaves and Deepti heads towards a chair. All the professors look at her.

INT. GARAGE - DAY

Nikhil puts his car in a garage, gives instructions to the mechanic and leaves. He catches an auto from the road outside.

INT. HOME - DAY

Nikhil enters the home. Akshi offers a glass of water to him.

AKSHI bhaiya car kahan chhod aaye?

NIKHIL aaj ek badtameez ladki se pala pad gaya. saali ne meri car thok di jaan boojh kar takkar maari, garage mein chhod kar aya hoon.

AKSHI ladki? fir us ko sabak nahin sikhaya? Seema joins.

NIKHIL

kya bataun. pahle car se jhareet mar di fir mera hi kasoor nikalne lagi. kahti main karnal ki beti hoon. Mujhe thappad paarne aai! maine pakad ke uski banh marod di. saali safed gobar...(shakes his head in despair)

INT. HOME - EVENING

Deepti enters the home like a storm and throws herself on the sofa.

NIRANJAN kya hua? kis se lad kar aa rahi ho?

DEEPTI kya samjhta hai apne aap ko? zindagi bhar yaad rakhega.(gritting teeth) kar ka kachumar nikal diya.

RANI beta ab tum professor ho gai ho apne gusse par kabu pana seekho

DEEPTI

(Gnashing) gusse pe kabu. agar kar mein hota na to ho gaya hota...feeeesh (raises her right hand above)

EXT. HOME - MORNING

Nikhil leaves home on foot and hires an auto on the road.

EXT.COLLEGE - MORNING

Auto stops outside the college gate. Nikhil pays and as he starts walking. Deepti comes in her car in full speed and crosses Nikhil from very near. Nikhil scares and gets to side. Abuses in the lips. INT. STAFF ROOM - MORNING

As Nikhil enters the staff room, he looks at Deepti sitting in a chair. He boils. Four professors are also sitting there.

> NIKHIL ye badtmeez ladki yahan staff room mein kya kar rahi hai?

ONE PROFESSOR Ye Deepti Chalia hai Nikhil ji, new professor. She has joined new, yesterday.

NIKHIL (Beating his forehead) bas baith gaya bhatha is college ka.

DEEPTI

(bursting) kya matlab hai tera aur tumhe yahan staff room mein aane kis ne diya? This is a teachers room, you know?

NIKHIL tumhe pata hai main kaun hoon? tujhe main hi sidhi karunga.

Deepti, full of rage, leaves her seat and stands in front of Nikhil, slantingly.

DEEPTI le kar sidhi. tujhe rusticate na krva diya to...mera nam deepti nahin.

Nikhil scares. A senior professor rebukes both of them and orders them to sit.

PROFESSOR kya ho raha hai ye? deepti tum abhi kal aai ho aur tumhe baat karne tak ki tameez nahin. pata hai tumhe kaun hain ye?

DEEPTI (Pouting) mujhe kya padi hai main pata karti firun, kaun hai ye?

PROFESSOR

ye professor Nikhil hain - foreign languages ke. Paanch foreign languages ke expert hain. seniors ki respect karna seekho. sorry bolo inse. kal kiska kasoor tha vo bhi mujhe pata hai.

DEEPTI

(Frowning) sorry...

Deepti stares at Nikhil sarcastically. Nikhil draws a chair and sits in it. Deepti also sits. Nikhil looks at Deepti stealithily. Deepti also looks at him stealithily, twice.

INT. HOME - EVENING

Nikhil enters the home.

NIKHIL (Smiling)) aakshi...yaar chaye to bana ek kap

AKSHI (OS)

aayi bhaiya.

Akshi comes and stares in the face of Nikhil.

AKASHI kya baat hai bhaiya, bade muskra rahe ho

NIKHIL are vo jo ladki thi na - deepti hai uska naam - professor aai hai nai. jab use pata chala ki main senior professor hoon to lagi maafi mangne.

AKSHI jhooth bol rahe ho bhaiya. ladki aur mafi mange? (laughs)

NIKHIL chal fut - chaye bana ke le ke aa

Akshi giggles and disappears in the kitchen. Nikhil puts his head on the sofa support and losts in thoughts. The yesterday's incidents overpower him. Deepti trying to slap him and he catches her wrist. Deepti's intentionally

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breaking his car and deepti's standing in front of him, slantingly and then saying sorry, grinning her teeth. Then looking at him twice stealithily.

SONG....

INT. GARAGE - EVENING

Nikhil, standing near his car, talking to the mechanic. deepti enters the garage, in his damaged car. Nikhil and mechanic look towards the gate. Mechanic saying, "didi aa gayi" runs towards her. Nikhil pouts.

> NIKHIL ye saali safed gobar kahan se aa gai?

DEEPTI (To mechanic) ye bandar yahan kahan? kardi kaar theek uski?

MECHANIC aap jaanti ho inko?

DEEPTI iski kar maine hi to todi thi

MECHANIC bechara. use pata nahin hoga kis se pala pada hai

DEEPTI ab to pata chal gaya! mere hi college me mera senior hai sala.

Nikhil, from a distance, looks at them while they talk. But what are they talking cannot be heard. Nikhil calls mechanic with loud voice.

> NIKHIL O aa yar. kitne huye bol

Mechanic comes running. Deepti parks her car at a distance and comes near them. She takes a round of Nikhil's car and smiles.

> DEEPTI (To mechanic) nai kardi yaar tune to gaadi maine socha tha shayad tere paas rukne ke liye pakki aai hai. (to Nikhil) hello professor (smiles and grins)

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Nikhil do not respond but looks at her amazingly.

MECHANIC Sir, 3500 ho gaye

Nikhil pulls 3500 from his purse and hands over to mechanic, sits in his car. When Nikhil leaves, Deepti, like children, shows him her toungue. Nikhil disappears.

> MECHANIC bahut saau hai bechara.

DEEPTI achha! saau hai? (smiles)

MECHANIC didi aap ne khamkhah uska nuksaan kar diya. ab aap professor ho gai ho, gussa chhod do varna...

DEEPTI

abe mera bhi to hua hai nuksaan dekh (Points towards her car)- aur varna kya be? - karde gaadi ko chakachak, main paanch din baad aaungi.

Deepti comes out of the garage.

EXT. ROAD - MORNING

Deepti walks on the road pavement. Nikhil comes from behind in his car, Looks at Deepti and passes his car from near her. Deepti scares and stops.

> DEEPTI (To herself) hamara paintra ham par hee? Saale pathe teri itni mazal?

Smiles.

INT. STAFF ROOM - MORNING

Deepti enters the staff room. Everyone looks at her. Nikhil seems sitting on the other side of the table. Deepti goes and sits near Nikhil. Glances at the watch and leves. Nikhil stares at her from behind stealthily. Professor Rubi notices this. PROF RUBI karnal Niranjan ki beti hai. baap bahut sharif hai prantu ye tufaan pata nahin uske ghar kahan se paida ho gaya.

NIKHIL kisi din koi aisa faintega, zindagi bhar yaad rakhegi

Nikhil looks at his watch and leaves.

EXT. ROAD - MORNING

Deepti walks on the pavement. Nikhil arrives in car from behind, looks at Deepti and stops the car at a distace. Thinks for a while and then forwards, comes parallel to Deepti and slows down the car. Deepti looks at the car but does not stop. Nikhil again forwards the car, stops and opens the front door. Deepti does not look and go on walking. Nikhil again forwards the car and crosses Deepti. As soon as Deepti comes near, he opens the front door. Deepti stucks in the door.

> DEEPTI (Angirily) Kya hai?

> > NIKHIL

baitho

DEEPTI

nahin

NIKHIL kasoor bhi tumhara aur nakhra bhi tumhara? chit bhi tumhari and pat bhi tumhari? baitho

Deepti sits in the car.

DEEPTI (Looking at the windscreen) sorry, mujhe itna gussa nahin karna chahiye tha

NIKHIL kahan rahti ho?

DEEPTI vo chamar majri apri mein Nikhil stuns and looks at her face in disbelief. Deepti remains looking at the windscreen. When they reach near the college, students look at them, sitting in the car together.

> ONE STUDENT oye sulah ho gai bhai dono mein

SECOND STUDENT ab dekhna aage kya kya hoga

All other students present, laugh.

INT.CAR PARKING - MORNING

Nikhil parks his car and both of them come out.

INT. STAFF ROOM - MORNING

Nikhil and Deepti together enter the staff room and sit at the end of the table. All the already sitting staff members look at them amazingly.

> PRO. RUBI O mubarkan bhai. ho gai sulah? achha hai. bahut achha

> DEEPTI mera period aaj saadhe das hai

NIKHIL mera hai gyaran

DEEPTI (whispring) tum canteen me chalo, main aati hoon

Nikhil leaves. When he disappears, Deepti also leaves.

INT. CANTEEN - MORNING

Nikhil and Deepti silently take tea sitting on a table, in a corner. Deepti puts her cup on the table after taking tea, looks at Nikhil and leaves. Nikhil looks at her from behind till she disappears.

Nikhil comes out of the college gate. Deepti stands on the side of the road, gives hand to Nikhil. Nikhil stops and Deepti opens the front door and sits in the car.

DEEPTI

garage

INT. GARAGE - EVENING

Nikhil enters the garage. Mechanic looks at them stunningly. Both descend the car and come to mechanic.

> MECHANIC chalo achha hai didi aapki sulah ho gai

> > DEEPTI

meri car?

MECHANIC (Smiling) do din aur lagenge didi

DEEPTI ab main college kaise jaaungi? kya baat hai be pehle to tu itna time nahin lagaata tha?

MECHANIC (Pleading) bas do din aur didi

Nikhil blinks at mechanic.

MECHANIC (CONTD.) Sir, inko do din aur lift de dena

NIKHIL

aur ka kya matlab hai be? gadi parson theek na mili to teri khair nahin (again blinks)

MECHANIC

Sir, pacca

Nikhil and Deepti leave

INT. HOME - EVENING

deepti enters silently and sits in the sofa gently.

RANI kya hua bhai? sherni itni susat kyon hai?

Deepti remains calm.

RANI (CONTD.) kya hua beta? kyon susat ho? kya soch rahi ho?

DEEPTI kuchh nahin mom

Deepti disappears in her room.

INT. CANTEEN - DAY

Nikhil and Deepti sit on the corner table of the canteen, silently looking at each other in love.

INT. PARK - EVENING

Nikhil and Deepti walk on the pathway in a park silently, hand in hand. Deepti smiles, looks at Nikhil and lowers her eyes.

EXT. CANAL - EVENING

In Nikhil's car, both are going along the canal, slowly. At one place Nikhil stops the car and hand in hand they sit on the bank of the canal. Deepti puts her head in Nikhil's lap.

INT. CANTEEN - DAY

Nikhil and Deepti sip coffee.

DEEPTI mujhe ek saal ho gaya jvain kiye huye. vakat ka pata hi nahin chalta?

NIKHIL aisa hi hota hai INT STAFF ROOM - MORNING

PROF RUBI vo aaye nahin abhi?

PROF. MALI

kaun?

PROF RUBI vahi, deepti aur nikhil

PROF MALI kyon kya hua?

PROF RUBI aapko nahin pata? dono mein ghamasaan pyar chal raha hai

PROF MALI achha! kamaal hai!

PROF RUBI kaunsi dunia me rahti hain aap Dr. Mali - han - poore college ko pata hai

At the same time Nikhil and Deepti enter the staff room. Prof. Rubi and Mali go silent, look at each other and smile.

INT. HOME - NIGHT

Nikhil enters the home and silently throws himself on the sofa, in lobby. He wears a secret smile on his face. Arushi sitting in earlier, notices this.

ARUSHI bhaiya theek to ho?

NIKHIL han! theek hun. kyon kya hua?

From the other side Akshi enters and putting her finger on her lips, gestures Arushi to remain silent.

AKSHI bhaiya vo jis ladki se aapka jhagda hua tha fir usne aapse mafi maang li thi, kaun thi vo?

NIKHIL haan...vo...vo nai professor aai thi, tere ko bataya to tha. are (MORE)

NIKHIL (cont'd) saal ho gaya hai is baat ko - ab kyon poochh rahi hai?

AKSHI nahin aise hi

INT. COLLEGE - LATE MORNING

Akshi comes to his brother's college and goes direct to staff room. She asks for Nikhil.

AKSHI ji, mujhe prof. Nikhil se milna hai?

ONE PROFESSOR (without looking at her) vo canteen me honge prof. deepti ke saath

Akshi goes to canteen. As he reaches the door of the canteen, she sees Nikhil with a very beautiful girl. She immediately returns. On the way one of her friends meets her.

FRIEND are akshi tu, tu yahan kaise?

AKSHI are bas main to tumhe hi milne aai thi

FRIEND (Holding her hand) chal canteen me chalte hain chai vai piyenge aur baten karenge

AKSHI O nahin nahin, chai fir kisi din, chal ground me chalte hain

Both the friends head towards playground. Friend tells her about the love affair of Nikhil and Deepti. She also tells that Deepti belongs to scheduled caste - chamaar.

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INT. HOME - EVENING

Deepti enters the home calmly and sits in the sofa. It looks she is thinking something. Rani sees her from the kitchen and then goes to Niranjan

INT. BEDROOM - EVENING

hoon.

RANI kuchh gadbad hai ji, ye ladki itni gumsum kaise ho gai?

NIRANJAN kuchh nahin hai. vaise main bhi ye baat note kar raha hoon. umar hi aisi hai. doosri baat ab professor hai bhai. zimedari ka kaam hai

RANI

Rani leaves.

INT. COLLEG STAFF ROOM - MORNING

Nikhil enters the staff room, looks here and there and when Deepti does not come in sight, drags a chair and sits in it. Two lady professors (Rubi and Mali) already sitting there look at each other and smile.

> PROF RUBI (smiling) kabhi hmaare saath bhee baat kar liya karo Nikhil ji

Both professors laugh. Nikhil raises his eyes and looks at them, smiles and then lowers his eyes. At the same time Deepti enters and on seeing Nikhil

DEEPTI (smiling) hello Nikhil jee, good morning

Nikhil looks behind and on seeing Deepti his face wears a long smile. He pulls his hand and shakes with Deepti. Deepti sits near Nikhil.

> DEEPTI (While sitting) hai Dr. Malli - Hai Dr. Rubi

Other professors greet her in return and bow their heads.

PROF. MALI (teasing) aapko dekhte hee prof. Nikhil ka chehra khil jata hai. ai hai

Every one laughs. Faces of Nikhil and Deepti go red.

PROF. RUBI To bhai kab khila re o laddu shadi ke ?

Nikhil and Deepti lower their heads with modesty. A boy with cups of tea enters the staff room and starts putting cups in front of the profesors. All stop talking. The boy leaves.

INT BANK - MORNING

Arushi comes to her seat and places the purse and lunch box on the table. Peon comes, greets her, gets the tiffin and leaves. Customers are seen entering the bank. Clecical staff on the front seats greet Arushi and she responds and bows her head. Then she looks at the Manager's cabin and strides toward him. Manager is seen sitting in his seat in the cabin.

INT. MANAGER CABIN - MORNING

Arushi greets the manager from the door, bows head, enters the cabin, drags a chair and sits. Two customers enter the manager's cabin and Arushi leaves for her seat in the hall.

INT. HOME LOBBY - NIGHT

Naresh, Nikhil, Arushi and Akshi are sitting in the sofas and are laughing on some matter.

INT. KITCHEN - NIGHT

Seema is pouring tea in the cups and after putting the cups in the tray leaves for lobby.

INT LOBBY - NIGHT

Seema places the tray on the centre table and sits beside Naresh. Every one picks up his cup AKSHI ma, khane mein kya ban raha hai?

SEEMA teri pasand ki urad ki daal

ARUSHI (pouting) kabhi meri bhi pasand ki banaya karo ma

Arushi sees into the eyes of Seema and smiles

NIKHIL (mischiviously) ma betiyon ki hee pasand chalti hai ham to jaise...

Shakes his head

NARESH (interupting) bhaiya tum to ab shadi kar lo tumhari bivi aayegi, vahi rakhegi tumhari pasand ka khyal

Every one laughs

AKSHI (rolling eyes) Achha bhaiya, haan, vo us ladki ke saath sulah ho gai hogi ab to?

NIKHIL kaun ladki?

AKSHI vo jis ne tumhaari car todi thee

NIKHIL (stealing eyes) Achha vo...han...han...do din baad ho gai thi. ab ek hi jagah rehna hai to...

AKSHI Kya gori chiti hai jaise basra se aai ho - hoor. usi se kar lo na shadi.

NARESH are kaun hai bahi zara khul ke batao AKSHI

Papa, maine dekha hai hone vali bhabi ko bahut sunder hai. morni jaisi chal hai lekin mumi ek gadbad bai. vo sc hai

NIKHIL

tujhe kaise pata?

AKSHI

akhir main bhi to college mein padhti hoon. Jab mujhe shak hua to gai thi ek din aapke college tabhi dekha aap longon ko canteen mein. meri to aankhe chudiya gai thee. Kya hua agar sc hai to. Janam janam mein aisi ladki nahin milegi bhaiya.

sabhi ke chehre utar jaate hain.

SEEMA

(amazed) SC, tumne kabhi zikar nahin kiya Nikhil itni sunder ladki aur SC (Pouts)

AKSHI

chmaar hain

SEEMA

fir nahin ho sakti shadi. hum baniye aur vo chmar? ram ram ram

Tries to stand

NARESH

(catches her arm) baitho, aaj baat chali hai to faisla kar hee lo. mujhe pata hai ki vo chamar hai. iske ek kleeg ne bataya tha. haan mujhe pasand hai. Han (to Nikhil) to bata tujhe pasand hai?

Nikhil doesn't say anything. Bows his head.

AKSHI to pasand

bhaiya ko to pasand hai hee. poore kalij mein charche hain inke. Papa jis din main gai thi bhaiya ke college to meri ek saheli mil gai thee usi ne bataya SEEMA charche aur vo bhee chamari ke saath

AKSHI maan ek baar dekho to agar aankhen na chundiya gai to kehna

NARESH

(to Nikhil) kyon bhai toone jwab nahin diya? han ya na. dekho bhai suno saare mujhe is shadi se koi aitraz naheen miyan bivi razi to kya karega kazi...

NIKHIL

haan papa

Every one laughs but Seema pouts.

SEEMA

aur ladkiyan mar gai hain kya? baniyon mein kam ladkiyan hain jo ye chamaron ki ladki ke saath shadi karega? thoo thoo karvayega saare jahan mein

NARESH

dekho duniya kahan se kahan jaa rahee hai yaar aur ek tum ho? hum 21svee sadi mein hain aur tum ho ki...(shakes head)

Seema tries to get up but Naresh catches her hand again and pulls her on sofa.

SEEMA

(shedding naresh's hand) kahin naheen rehte 21svin sadi mein. koi naheen samjhega. log thoo thoo karenge

NARESH

lo log kahan se aa gaye beech mein hmare bete ki shadi ki baat ho rahi hai logon ne kya karna hai isme.

ARUSHI maan, logon ki baat chhodo. hamen kya lena logon se

NARESH

log to kuchh na kuchh bolenge hee. hame apna dekhna hai

SEEMA

saath mein logon ka, jaat biradri ka aur smaj ka bhee dekhna hai ji

AKSHI

dekho ji mujhe nahin pata, ham aur logon jaise naheen hai, un se kahin upar hain. hum smaj se naheen chalte. kya karta hai smaj hmaare liye? apna kmate hain apna khate hain.

NARESH

are bhai ham to bahas mein pad gaye us se to poochho jis ne shadi karni hai. haan bhai bol?

NIKHIL

mujhe kuchh bolna nahin hai papa. mera to pukka ha, deepati se shadi.

NARESH

shabash beta, ye hui na 21svin sadi vali baat. kya hai ye dharm, jaat paat, smaj, sab dhkosle hain. main tumhare saath hoon beta. chalo bhai chalo ab khana khate hain. Vaise ek din ladki ko maine bhi dekha tha Banion me to milne se rahi aisi

SEEMA

(gets up angrily) sar mein raakh dalva ke hee rahoge. main lagati hoon khana aa beta akshi.

Akshi gets up and accompanies her mother to the kitchen. Akshi and seema bring dinner to the dining table and every one takes the dinner

SEEMA

beta jo bhee kadam uthao, soch samajh kar, ye jaat paat vale jhanjhat bahut bure hote hain

NARESH aji chhodo bhee ab, khana khao

Everyone gets up after dinner, wash hands and say good night to one another and disappear in their bed rooms. INT. NIKHIL BEDROOM - NIGHT

Nikhil picks up the cell phone and dials Deepti's number while sitting. Ring goes. Intercut conversation starts.

NIKHIL

hai.

Nikhil sits on the bed with the support of pillow, smiling.

DEEPTI hai, kya kar rahe ho?

NILHIL tumhara intzar

DEEPTI aa jaaun abhi

NIKHIL

aaj ghar mein tumhare baare mein baat hui. vo akshi ne sab ko bata diya.

DEEPTI

fir?

NIKHIL

hmaari shadi se kisi ko aitraz naheen. bas thoda mumi ki na nukar hai tumhari caste ko lekar. mana lenge yaar, koi mushkil nahin hai

DEEPTI

ye jaat paat ke maamle bahut complicated hote hain, Nikhil. bahut soch vichar lena hoga

NILHIL

dekho deepti, dunia idhar ki udhar ho jaaye, shadi to tumse hee karni hai. koi adchan aai to bagawat. utha kar le jaaoonga tumhe.

Deepati's laughs.

DEEPTI

tumhe bhagne, bhgaane, uthane ka bahut shauk rehta hai. athele the kya? ya weightlifter? NILHIL mazak chhodo tum batao tum taiyar ho?

DEEPTI kaho to dulhan ka joda pehan kar abhi aa jaaoon? suhagrat aaj ki raat hi ho jaaye (giggles)

NIKHIL nahin yaar, aise nahin, dhol nagadon ke saath le kar aayenge tumhen.

Both giggle.

DEEPTI achha so jao, tumne subah paanch lecture lene hain

NIKHIL sone ka dil nahin hai. bas isi tarah baat karti raho

DEEPTI theek hai. mera hai

Deepti disconnects phone. Nikhil repeats helo helo many times. And then Nikhil puts the pillow in his arms and tries to sleep. after a while he sleeps.

EXT. ROAD - DAY

Nikhil and Deepti go somewhere, laughing and playing, in the car. Car stops in front of a hotel and both enter the hotel.

INT. HOTEL DINING HALL - DAY

Dining hall is full to its capacity. Nikhil and Deepti choose a table in a corner, lying vacant. Bearer comes and takes the order. after sometime two cups of coffee come on the table. Nikhil looks into the face of Deepti constantly while sipping coffee. Deepti sits with lowered eyes. When Deepti rises her eyes she founds Nikhil looking at her face constantly. She puts her hand on Nikhil's hand.

> DEEPTI (Raises eyebrows) kya hua? aise kyon dekh rahe ho?

Nikhil says nothing but keeps on stareing at her constantly.

DEEPTI (CONTD.) Kya hai? pehle kabhi dekha nahin kya?

Nikhil says nothing, puts down the cup, catches Deepti's hand and gets up. Deepti also gets up and both start floating in the air. People in the hall forget their eating and watch them floating. Both descend on the dancing floor.

Music starts and with that dance starts.

SONG...

INT. NIKHIL BEDROOM - NIGHT

Nikhil takes a turn on the bed and wakes up.

NIKHIL (smiling) kya mazedar sapna tha yaar.

He stretches his limbs, puts on the blanket and again sleeps.

INT. DEEPTI DINING ROOM - NIGHT

Deepti, her father Niranjan, mother Rani and brother Billu are taking dinner. Deepti takes very slow, she is in some dillema. Her father notices this.

> NIRANJAN kya baat hai beta, kya problem hai? khana theek se nahin kha rahi ho.

DEEPTI (nervously) nahin... aisi koi baat nahin papa.

NIRANJAN nahin baat to hai. batao?

DEEPTI

(hesitatingly) papa, vo Nikhil mujhse shadi karna chahta hai

NIRANJAN fir kar lete hain shadi DEEPTI aap se nahin, mujh se

NIRANJAN (laughing) achha tum se . kis se ?

DEEPTI

(pouts) hoon...

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NIRANJAN achha khana khao. karte hain baat. kaun hai ye Nikhil?

DEEPTI (lowered eyes) mera colleague hai papa.

NIRANJAN

colleague?

DEEPTI

han

Niranjan thinks. Then after a while finishes meals, washes hands and strides towards his room. Deepti takes meals slowly and slowly.

RANI deepati, ladka achha to hai? apni hi jaat biradri ka hai na?

DEEPTI han ma bahut achha hai. prantu jaat biradri apni nahin hai. vo baniye hain

Rani sees deeply in the face of Deepti and gets sad. Bilu also stops eating and sees deeply in the face of his sister.Everyone finishs dinner, gets up and heads towards their bedrooms.

EXT. COLLEGE GROUND - DAY

Aakshi sits with her friends in the college ground and all the friends laugh at some matter.

> AKSHI (amusingly) abhi na bas mere bhaiya ki shadi hone vali hai. bhabhi bahut sunder hai...(beat) par...

All friends look at Akshi and ask, "par kya?" Akshi thinks something and then speaks

AKSHI (changes face expressions) kuchh nahin yaar, papa kahte hain shadi hayyat mein karenge prantu mumi nahin maanti.

ALL FRIENDS (amazingly) hayyat mein ? oh my God.

AKSHI are hayyat to kuchh bhi nahin main kahun to papa to Taj mein karden shadi bhaiya ki par...

ONE FRIEND shadi ke liye ladki dekh li?

AKSHI kab ki, bhayia ki colleague hi hai

Then bell is heard and all leave for their classes

INT. NARESH'S COMPANY'S OTHER CHAMBER - DAY

Niranjan is sitting opposite an officer of the company and they are talking. He gets up and shakes hand with the officer.

NIRANJAN bahut bahut dhanyavad sharma ji

SHARMA achha niranjan ji fir ayiega

Niranjan leaves and comes back again.

NIRANJAN

(requesting) sharma ji shadi byah ke mamle me ma bap sau kuchh dekhte hain, naresh ji ko mere aane ka pata nahin chalna chahiye.

SHARMA (giving assurance) kaisi baten kar rahe hain aap bhanak bhee nahin lagegi NIRANJAN (folded hands) dhanyavad

Niranjan leaves

INT. DEEPTI HOUSE - EVENING

Niranjan sits in the sofa. Deepati enters from the door.

DEEPTI

hello, papa

NIRANJAN (gesturing towards sofa) aao beta, baitho

Deepti sits beside her father.

NIRANJAN aur kaisa raha college

DEEPATI routine hai papa, jaise pahle hota hai vaise hi

Rani brings tea in a tray, puts the tray on the table and sits. Everyone picks up his/her cup

NIRANJAN beta vo nikhil to baniya hai

DEEEPTI

NIRANJAN

beta, mein aaj nikhil ke papa ke daftar gaya tha mere ek mitar hain vahan, sharma ji

DEEPTI

(Smiles) Nikhil ke papa Narresh hain aur company mein bade afsar hain

NIRANJAN

sharma ji ne bataya ki bahut hee arrogant aadmi hai par company usi ke sar par chal rahi hai DEEPTI (interupting) han batata rahta hai nikhil, papa

NIRANJAN (worried) kya vo is shadi ke haq mein honge? vo baniya aur hum...

DEEPTI (smiles) papa shadi nikhil se karni hai

RANI beta baat ye nahin hai. baat hai jaat biradari ki. kya vo manege?

DEEPTI kyon nahi ma. hum ek doosre se bahut pyar karte hain

Deepti lowers head.

NIRANJAN

beta duniya kahin bhee pahunch jaaye prantu hum hindustani vahin sadiyon pichhe hain. hum savikar bhi karlen prantu hmara ye roodhivadi smaaj. nahin main nahi manta. (beat) beta ye jat pat biradri bahut pachde vale masle hote hain

DEEPTI

papa jo nikhil ne bataya hai unke ghar mein baat ho chuki hai aur vo sabhi log taiyar hain

NIRANJAN

unke maanne se thoda kuchh hota hai beta poora smaj hai pange khade karne ke liye

RANI

dekhiye aap naresh ji se ek bar khud miliye, baat saaf ho jayegi

NIRANJAN

baat to theek hai, prantu aaj ke haalat ko dekhte huye... DEEPTI kya haalat papa?

NIRANJAN har roz jat pat ko lekar kitna ho halla hota hai, hariyana UP main to aanar killing tak ho rahi hain

RANI

shubh shubh socho ji. aap ek baar naresh ji se milo, haan karte hain to theek varna ham apne ghar razi vo apne ghar razi

NIRANJAN

thee hai

Tea finishes and Rani picks up the cups and disappears in the kitchen

INT. COLLEGE COFFEE HOUSE - DAY

Deepti and Nikhil sitting in the coffee house drink coffee and are calm. coffee finishes and they sit like dumbs for a long time. Nikhil looks at the watch, gets up and waving hand to Deepti, leaves. deepti also leaves behind him.

INT NARESH OFFICE - DAY

Niranjan sits opposite Naresh and they are laughing at some matter. Naresh rings the table bell. His peon comes and stands.

NARESH Shankar, chaye, aur saath mein kuchh khane ko. Aur han, jaldi

NIRANJAN Naresh ji main nahin chahta koi bakheda khada ho

NARESH aji saahib bakheda kaisa?

NIRANJAN vahi jaat paat, biradri

NARESH (arrogantly) dekhiye aapki beti hmaare ghar aa rahi hai, ye hamne dekhna hai. main (MORE)

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NARESH (cont'd) to bilkul bhee nahin maanta is jaat paat ko, rahi biradri, kisi ki himmat nahi hai hmaare saamne khda bhee ho jaye

NIRANJAN

(feels relieved) vo to theek hai fir bhee dar lagta hai itna kuchh ho raha hai, aanar killing, ye vo...

NARESH itna bada desh hai, kuchh na kuchh to chalna bhee chahiye (laughs) varna mardoodon ka desh na ho jaye?

Both laugh. Peon comes and puts tea and biscuits on the table. Naresh gestures towards cup. Both pick up their cups and Naresh forwards biscuits plate towards Niranjan. Niranjan picks up a biscuit.

NARESH CONTD. ye jaat paat, biradri sab dakiyanoosi baaten hain ji. hum ikisvin sadi mein hain, chhodo ji. ye ingland amrika hamse saath saath saal aage hain, kaise? Niranjan ji bhool jao sab hum hain na

Tea finishes and Niranjan gets up to leave.

NIRANJAN

(with folded hands) achha ji, namaste bahut achha laga aap se mil kar jaisa suna tha aap to bilkul hee ult hain.

Both laugh

NARESH

aap ghar par aaiye sabhi log, fir detail mein baat karte hain hamen to bas formality nibhani hai miyan bivi razi to kya karega kazi...

Both again laugh

NIRANJAN (with folded hands) achha ji fir milte hain

Turns to leave. Naresh comes to see him off at the door.
Naresh, Seema, Akshi, Arushi and Niranjan, Rani and Billu are sitting in the sofas. They are munching snacks and laughing.

NIRANJAN

(a bit worried) Naresh ji sab theek hai hame koi aitraz nahi, aapko koi aitraz nahin, fir bhi ek bar apne bade boodhon se baat kar lete to...

RANI bhai sahib vakat zaroor ikisvin sadi mein chala gaya hai par hum nahin gaye | hum to vahi purani sau saal pahle ki sadi mein ji rahe hain | dar lagta hai|

EXT. PARK - EVENING

Nikhil and Deepti are sitting in a corner of the park, deeply in love.

DEEPTI Nikhil aaj ho raha hai hmaari kismat ka faisla

NIKHIL deepti faisla kuchh bhi ho shadi to tum se hi hogi meri, By hook or crook, varna ?

DEEPTI

varna kya?

Deepti puts her head in the lap of Nikhil and Nikhil rounds his fingers in her hair and on her face. Deepti shuts her eyes in emotion.

> NIKHIL utha ke le jaaoonga |

DEEPTI dekho bhagwan ko kya manzoor hai, kab hoti hai shadi | ye jaat biradri ka naya panga hai

NIKHIL (make her understand)

(MORE)

NIKHIL (cont'd) naya nahin, sadiyon purana ,dheere dheere khatam ho raha hai. Dhree Dhree bhi kyon bahut tezi se

INT. NARESH'S DRAWING ROOM - EVENING

NARESH

aapki ladki hmare ghar aa rahi hai to sab se bada dar hame hona chahiye | aaj tak hame kisi ne naheen poochha, to hum kyon poochen? ladki jis ghar mein jaati hai to usi ka gautra use mil jata hai

SEEMA

bahan ji hame maaloom hai ham kya kar rahe hain | agar dono bache court marriage karva len to? to kya karenge ham aur kya karegi jat biradri ? batao?

ARUSHI

papa aap sagai ki date fix karo, dekhte hain kaun khansta hai

AKSHI

Arushi theek keh rahi hai papa.

Naresh fixes the day of engagement on the coming 21st of next month. All agree. Greet eachotehr. Then Niranjan gets up to leave and others also get up. Niranjan shakes hands with Naresh and Rani and Seema takes one another in arms. Niranjan and Rani seems in a fix. From their faces it does not seem that they are happy.

INT. NARESH OFFICE - MORNING

Naresh sits in his chair and his employees are standing opposite him. Two old age employees are sitting in the chairs.

NARESH (smiling)) Dekhiye agle mahine ki 21 taarikh ko Nikhil ki sagai hai | sabhi logon ne pahunchna hai | OLD EMPLOYEE sir, ladki kaun hai? kahan ki hai? apni hi jaat biradri ki hai na?

NARESH

ladki sharma ji nikhil ki colleague hai| jaat biradri ko kaun poochhta hai aaj kal sharma ji | match dekhna chahiye | ladki SC hai |

SECOND EMPLOYEE sir kai baar panga pad jata hai chhoti si baat par |

OLD EMPLOYEE

sir sab poochhte hain jaat biradri ko, hmaare yahan to abhi tak gautra milaye jaate hain | batao kya karen? smaaj mein rahna hai to iske kayde kanoonon ko maanna he padta hai sir |

NARESH chalo dekhte hain, kya hota hai? to yaad rakhiyega 21 tarikh, sunday hai |

Every body greets Naresh and leave for their seats. Naresh gets worried.

NARESH V.O. saale jaat biradri ke | dekh lenge kaun shor machata hai | saalon ka patta kaat denge |

Naresh shakes his head and engrosses himself in work.

INT. OFFICE HALL - DAY

Employees of Naresh's office are talking.

ONE BOY

(smiling) sharma ji, chahe SC hai, ladki bahut sunder hai, maine dekhi hai gori chitti aur upar se professor | aisi ladki meri zindgi mein aa jaye na to jaat biradri to kya, bhagwan ko bhee chhod doon |

SHARMA

beta tera kasoor nahin hai | naya khoon hai khaul raha hai | jab jaat biradri ki maar padti hai na to achhe achhe dabang bhi ghutnon mein sar dekar rote hain |

SECOND BOY

kya sharma ji roodhivadi baten kar rahe hain | zamana kahan se kahan aa gaya hai |

SHARMA

zamana a gaya hai kahin se kahin par ham vahin ke vahin hain beta | hmari soch sab vahi hai, purani ghisi piti, dakiyanoosi

Every one goes serious on sharma's remarks and keep themselves busy in work

INT. BANK -DAY

It's 9.30 o'clock. All the employees are sitting in the Manager's cabin. They are talking and laughing. Then every one leaves for his seat.

ARUSHI ek mint ek mint aapke liye ek khushbari hai

Everyone stops and looks at arushi.

ARUSHI CONTD. agle mahine ki 21s taarikh ko bhaiya ki sagai hai| Sunday hai, all are cordially invited.

ALL contrats Arushi

Arushi smiles and accepts greetings.

EXT. COLLEGE GROUND - DAY

Akshi is surrounded by her 7-8 friends and they are talking

AKSHI hey, one thing one thing. Good news for all of you. Bhaiya ki sagai hai aane wali 21s taarikh ko. sabhi (MORE)

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AKSHI (cont'd) ana. fun and musti. Sunday hai yaar.

All the girls pat on her hand and say 'congrats'

INT DEEPTI DRAWING ROOM - DAY

Niranjan, Rani, Billu and Deepti are sitting in the sofas and are talking about engagement.

RANI zamana to badal gaya hai prantu log nahin badle hain | kar to rahe hain prantu dar lagne laga hai |

NIRANJAN ab jab unki family ko aitraz nahin hai to theek hai | hame kya fark padta hai |

BILLU papa kuchh nahin hoga | agar didi hmari razamandi ke bgair shadi karti hai to?

RANI beta, baat sirf shadi ki nahin hai | do gair jaat parivaron ki hai | jaat biradari, society use accept karti hai ya nahin | asal bat ye hai |

Deepti is calm and listening to the conversation among her family. And anyone who speaks, deepti rounds her eyes towards him.

INT. COLLEGE STAFF ROOM - MORNING

All the professors are sitting in the staff room. Nikhil and Deepti enter the staff room together. They wish to all and sit in the chairs.

> NIKHIL (with smile and coyly) Dr. Mali aap hmari shadi ke laddu khana chahti thee na to agli 21s ko taiyar rahiye | sgai hai hmari |

All in the staff room send congrats to them. Someone says 'badhai ho' someone says 'congrats' and someone says 'mubarkan' All the voices mingle with each other. Nikhil and Deepti smile and accept the congrats. Clock sends alarm for 9.30. Most of the professors leave for their classes. Nikhil and Deepti also leave, leaving behind Dr. Mali and Dr. Rubi and two male professors.

RUBI

Dr. Mali aapka period nahi hai aaj?

MALI abhi nahi, aaj mera pehla period sadhe das baje hai | aur aapka?

RUBI

das baje

(beat)

RUBI CONTD. Dr. Mali kuchh ajib nahi lag raha | vo bania aur Deepti SC. theek hai... par kuchh ajib lag raha hai na vo...

MALE PROFESSOR kuchh ajib nahin hai madam| vo kahte hain na ishak na poochhe jaat nu.... kuchh aisa hi hai na?

laughs

Then picks up his file and goes out of the staff room.

MALI Dr. jab inhe fark nahin padta to ham kaun hain taang adane vale?

RUBI

nahi nahi, ham taang nahi ada rahe genral baat kar rahe hain | har baat alag hai, jaat, riti rivaz, aur baniye to vaise bhi bahut bigot hote hain.

MALI

(laughing) vo ek gana nahi hai 'iptda e ishak me sari raat jaage allah jane kya hoga aage | dekhte hain kya hota hai | RUBI

mujhe to kuchh achha nahi lag raha
| ishak vishak theek hai prantu
shadi! shadi to apni jaat biradri
me hi honi chahiye

MALI

(pouting) Dr. rubi hame kya lena...jo karenge vo dekhenge | achha period ka time ho raha hai, chalti hoon.

EXT. COLLEGE GROUND - DAY

Some boys and girls are sitting in groups in the college ground. Some are talking while standing. One boy comes running towards one group. Reaching near

> LADKA aaj ki taza khabar, aaj ki taza khabar

All the boys in the group look at him

SAME BOY saalo nikhil sir aur deepti madam ki shadi ho rahi hai sagai hai 21s taarikh ko

ANOTHER BOY le jaayega bhai chini kabootri

THIRD BOY badi der se ishak chal raha hai dono mein bhai

FOURTH BOY saale baniye ne kahan chamaari fansai hai neeche hi nahi utrega

All giggle.

Some girls are sitting and laughing

ONE GIRL suna hai nikhil sir aur deepti madam ki shadi ho rahi hai?

SECOND GIRL are nahi, nahi ho sakti, vo baniya aur vo SC... THIRD GIRL fir kya hua?

SECOND GIRL kya hua? ye to baad me pata chalta hai. naa bhai main to apni hi jaat biradri me jaungi.

FIRST GIRL tu jana, main to match dekhungi bhad mein jaye jaat biradri agar naa maane to champat...

ACT - II

INT HOTEL HALL - DAY

There is hustle and bustle in the hall. people, friends and relatives, come in groups and sit in the chairs in the hall. Naresh and his colleagues welcome all and point towards the chairs in the hall. DJ is on its full.

EXT. HOTEL ROAD - DAY

A car stops in front of the hotel. Doors open and Niranjan, Rani and Bilu get down from the car. Naresh welcomes them at the gate and leads them in the hall. Big applause is there in the hall. Children are making a great noise. DJ is at its full. Naresh returns to the gate.

EXT. HOTEL ROAD - DAY

One more car stops outside. Naresh's uncle (fufa)Raghbar Dayal , 73 and Aunti (bua)Kamla, 70 come out of the car. Naresh runs to welcome them and touches their feet.

NARESH (touching feet) fufa ji namashkar

RAGHBAR DAYAL (keeping his hand on naresh's head) jeete raho, jeete raho

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INT. HALL - DAY

Naresh leads his fufa and bua in the hall and let them sit near Niranjan's family. bearers are roaming about here and there, keeping the trays in their hands and the guests are enjoying themselves while eating and drinking soft drinks. People are talking loudly with each other.

EXT. ROAD - DAY

Sisters of Naresh, Radha, 60 her husband Joginder 62, Nidhi 57, her husband rajesh 58, Rajni 53, her husband Titu 54 appear coming

NARESH (on seeing them) didi aa gai

Naresh runs towards his sisters. Smiles and touches her feet. He leads them in .

INT. HALL -DAY

All the sisters and their husbands sit in the chairs near the fufa and bua. Naresh and Nikhil seem coming in the hall from the door and they reach Niranjan.Uncle (mama) Balak Ram, 72 and mami savitari, 70 seem coming in the hall.

INT. HALL - DAY

Naresh runs to receive mama and mami as he sees them. Reaches near

NARESH (with folded hands) mama ji namaste (touches feet) mami ji namaste (touches feet)

Mama and mami put their hands on Naresh's head. From the door Naresh's brother Rajan 53, his wife Rekha, 52, Dinesh 51, his wife Pinki, 50 seem coming from the door.

NARESH (happily) aao aao jinhe sab se pahle aana chahiye tha vo sab se let | aao aao

All sit in the chairs. Akshi and Arushi are seen in welcoming the guests. fufa Raghbar Dayal calls Naresh near him

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RAGHBAR DAYAL (in naresh's ear) ladki vale kahan hain bhai?

NARESH (pointing) yahi to baithe hain aapke paas, ye Niranjan ji hain ladki ke pita and ye hmaare...

A voice comes from behind "Naresh ji". Naresh runs towards the door on hearing the voice.

RAGHBAR DAYAL (greets with folded hands) kya karte hain aap?

NIRANJAN ji main retired fauji hoon, karnal

RAGHBAR DAYAL vah ji vah | bahut achhe

Sitting near, Naresh's mama turns his head towards them and listens what they talk. Hall is full of people and a lot of hustle and bustle. People are talking to each other and making merry. On one side girls are dancing on a filmi song.

INT. HALL - DAY

A running child strikes with a bearer with a thud and the cold drinks he is carrying fall down. A heavy voice of breaking glass comes. Every one sees towards that side.

INT. HALL - DAY

RAGHBAR DAYAL (Having glass of water in hand) gautar kya hai ji aapka?

NIRANJAN

ji chaliya

RAGHBAR DAYAL chaliya! ye to baniyon ka gautr nahin hai baniyon ke sadhe staran gautr hote hain prantu chaliya (pouts) NIRANJAN ham baniya nahin hain ji

> RAGHBAR DAYAL (with anger)

to?

NIRANJAN ham chamar hain

RAGHBAR DAYAL

chamar?

BALAK RAM

chamar?

NIRANJAN

han ji

Raghbar Dayal and Balak Ram both stand up and together call Naresh in high tone, full of rage.

RAGHBAR DAYAL BALAK RAM (at the top of their voice) naresh...

On hearing their angry voice, people in the hall maintain absolute silence. All see in astonishment that what has happened. Naresh on hearing the angry voice of both his fufa and mama comes running

> NARESH (frutrated) kya hua fufa ji?

RAGHBAR DAYAL (yelling in rage) abhi poochhte ho kya hua? 500 saal purana khandan hai hamara kisi ne aaj tak ungli nahin uthai baniyon mein ladkiyon ka akal pad gaya hai kya? ya mar gai hain sari ki sari jo tu ye chamaron se rishte bnane chala hai? teri himmat kaise hui?

NARESH

lekin fufa ji...

BALAK RAM abe chup - jaban ladata hai

All the relatives, friends and presentee look in astonishment. Sisters and their husbands stand up. All are amazed at the incident. RAGHBAR DAYAL toone is khandan ki, jaat biradri ki naak kata di hai, kalankit kar diya hai ise tere ghar ka pani pina bhi haram hai hamen

Raghbar Dayal puts his hand holded glass on the floor with full force. A big thud. Naresh and Seema tremble at the voice.

BALAK RAM (to niranjan) aur sale teri kaise himmat hui hmare sath rishta jodne ki

Balak Ram seize him by the collar.

NIRANJAN (releasing collar) isme mera...

BALAK RAM chup saale varna yahin gaad doonga

RAGHBAR DAYAL (trembling with rage) aaj se tera hukka pani band chhek diya tujhe jaat biradri se

Turns to relatives

RAGHBAR DAYAL CONTD. aur sabhi rishtedar bhi sun lo jo iske saath bartega uska bhi hukka pani band

All around there is absolute silence. Every body stands still at his place. Every one looks at fufa and mama.

> RAGHBAR DAYAL CONTD. chalo sab hmare liye yahan ka pani pina bhi haram hai ab ye mar gaya hai hmare liye aaj se hi

BALAK RAM chalo sab, sadne do salon ko dekhte hain kaise jite hain jaat biradri ke bagair

All the relatives, friends and known slip slowly and slowly. In the hall only family of Naresh and Niranjan left. Bearers are collecting broken things. Naresh and his family are bewildered that what has happened. His daughters start weeping. NIRANJAN (with hatered) naresh ji bahut beizati ho gai, ab ham bhi nahin rukenge

NARESH (coming in sense) niranjan ji...

NIRANJAN

aji chhodo ji, bahut deengen maarte the do mint mein sitti pitti gum kar gaye hamne aap se pahle hi kaha tha, bade pange hain jaat biradri ke lekin aap to dabang the, arrogant the karte mukabla? kuskne nahin diya ab ye aap ko to jine hi nahin denge hmara bhi bhagwan malik hai

Niranjan, his family and relatives disappear outside, dishonourred and bewildered.

INT. LOBBY - NIGHT

Naresh and family are sitting in the sofas, lost. Nikhil seems full of agony and defeated. Every one is silent.

ARUSHI

(breaking the silence) kaise ghatiya rishtedar hain hmare, ham unse kuchh le rahe hain?

Turns her head in hatered.

AKSHI

(full of hatered and woe) ye fufa ne sara khel khrab kiya hai kaun poochhta hai inko? ek taang kabar mein hai aur doosri bahar maza aata hai logon ko doosron ki baaton mein taang adane mein

SEEMA aji pahle hi kaha tha soch samajh kar chalo

NARESH (with anger) soch samajh kar hi chale the, ab sab log sale unhin ke pichhe lag (MORE) NARESH (cont'd) gaye sagaai karni hi nahin chahiye thi kort marriage kar lete to kya ukhad leti ye jaat biradri

INT. NIRANJAN HOUSE - NIGHT

Niranjan, Rani, Deepti, Bilu and 3-4 relatives are sitting in the drawing room. All are silent and full of sorrow.

NIRANJAN

pahle hi dar tha ye kuchh ho sakta hai saale deengen to itni maarte the, jab vo sukdu sa bola sabhi moot ki jhag ki tarah baith gaye

ONE RELATIVE

niranjan ji shukar karo rishtedaron ne unki pitaai nahin ki dhari ki dhari rah jati afsari

RANI

chhodo unki baaten ab apna socho ye log hmari bhi durgati kar sakte hain

BILLU mumi ham pahle hi police main report darj karva dete hain

NIRANJAN

are police bhi kuchh nahin karti jaat biradri ke maamle mein, par socha jaye hamara kya kasoor hai? dekhte hain kya hoga? chalo khana vana banaao

All scatter. Deepti remains sitting astonished and disappointed.

EXT. ROAD NARESH HOUSE - MORNING

Naresh is reversing his car out of the gate. As soon as car comes out of the gate, the people sitting on the way start whispering. No one wishes Naresh but look at him with hatered. Naresh ignores them and leaves.

> ONE MAN saale baniye ki saari akad nikal di

SECOND MAN theek hai yaar jaat biradri bhi koi cheez hoti hai chale the chmaron se rishte jodne

THIRD MAN yaar nikhil ka kya kasoon hai? kudi to bante jaisi thi lattu ho gaya tha sala

A new man comes and stands and looks at everyone's face.

NEW MAN ab jab tak jaat biradri inko vapis nahi leti, ho li iski to shadi

All laugh.

INT. BANK - MORNING

Arushi enters the bank disappointed. All look at her face. She wishes all but nobody responds. She directly goes to the Manager. Wishes the manager and sits in the chair.

> MANAGER kal bahut bura hua arushi ye bahut bade pange hain itna asan nahin hai

Peon enters with one glass of water only for the manager and looks at Arushi with hatered.

ARUSHI kyon bhai aaj mujhe pani nahin pilaoge?

PEON madam vo aap...

ARUSHI (eyes wet) jaat se chhek di gai hun na koi baat nahin bhai, khud pi leti hun

Arushi comes out of the manager's cabin, goes to cooler, drinks water and comes to her seat. No employee is seeing towards her. No one is talking to her. Routine goes on. INT. COLLEGE - DAY

Akshi enters the college. She sees one of her friends. On seeing

AKSHI

rama...

Rama does not care

AKSHI rama, are o rama?

Rama stops. Akshi stretches her hand to shake but Rama does not stretch her hand.

RAMA

dekho akshi ab hmari dosti khatam ab tum hmare brabar ki nahin rahi ho ham sahelion ne kal hi faisla kar liya tha ki tere se koi sambandh nahin rakhna

AKSHI

e ja nahin rakhti na rakh tu hmara kya mukabla karegi, ham tere se char guna uppar hain

Rama leaves without any reaction. students look at Akshi with hatered. It becomes very hard for Akshi to stay in the college she immediately leaves for home.

EXT. NARESH OFFICE - MORNING

Naresh's car stops in front of the office. Peon comes slowly and slowly and opens the door. Don't wish. Naresh looks at him bewildered. Peon bows and picks up the attach case from the rear seat and leaves.

> NARESH oye, kya baat hai tu bol nahin raha?

PEON dekhiye sir mujhe oye mat

kahiye meri samaj mein koi izat hai, main chhekad nahin hoon.

Naresh looks in pain and astonishment at the peon but says nothing.

Employees are talking and laughing.

ONE BOY aa gaya, sale ki aakad furr ho gai hogi

(TO ANOTHER) dekhna zara gardan nichi hai ya abhi bhi suar ki tarah akdi hui hai

All laugh.

INT. NARESH CABIN - MORNING

Naresh comes and sits in his chair. Four employees come to wish him. Nobody sits. They wish and return. Shukla sits, speaks nothing but looks constantly in Naresh's face. Then an old age employee comes and sits.

> OLD EMPLOYEE bahut bura hua sar kal

> > NARESH

kya bura hua? are janab ham sab rishtedaaron se das guna bade hain khud aayenge hmare pairon par girne

SHUKLA

abhi bhi aakad nahin gayi is aadmi ki, itna kuchh hone ke baad bhi aji saahib abhi to shuruaat hai aage aage dekhiye hota hai kya (shukla rolls his eyes and head)

Then Shukla stands speaks "Hun" and leaves.

OLD EMPLOYEE pagal hai sala iski baat par dhyan mat do sir

Naresh looks in amazement.

NARESH are kal tak to sala sar upar nahin uthata tha aaj...

Naresh mad with rage stands and disappeas out of the cabin behind shukla

NARESH CONTD. (At the top of his voice) Shukla...?

INT. HALL - MORNING

Shukla sits in his seat. Naresh mad with rage advances towards shukla

NARESH (Loudly)) tumhari itni himmat...

All the employees sitting in hall come between Naresh and Shukla and they stand firm before Naresh. Naresh madly looks at them.

ONE EMPLOYEE

dekhiye aap ko ham kitne arse se sahte aa rahe hain ab nahin ab tum chhekad ho tumhari apni jaat biradari ne tumhe mitti me mila diya hai ab tumhari akad nahin chalegi

SECOND EMPLOYEE aap bhala chahte hain to apne cabin me jaaiye daftar ka kaam vaise hi chalta rahega lekin aap se fully bicat

THIRD EMPLOYEE hame koi galat kadam uthane par majboor mat karna Naresh ji.

Naresh goes mad with rage and returns. He grins.

INT CABIN - MORNING

OLD EMPLOYEE gussa karne se kuchh nahi hoga dheeraj rakhiye jaat biradri se chhekna civil death hoti hai aadmi ki

NARESH (With wet eyes) lekin isme ... OLD EMPLOYEE bahut bada kasoor hai aapka achha ji chalta hun

He leaves. Naresh catches his forehead and dives in thoughts.

INT. HALL - DAY

Old employee enters the hall.

OLD EMPLOYEE yaar kuchh zadaya hi kar diya aap logon ne

INT. NARESH CABIN - DAY

Naresh listens the conversation coming from hall.

INT. HALL - DAY

SHUKLA kyon kar diya zyada? akad dekhi hai is bande ki munh par file maarta tha ab main saale ko...

Shukla, in anger, picks up the file and stands. Old employee stops him and catches him.

INT. COLLEGE STAFF ROOM - DAY

Dr. Mali, Dr. Rubi and 3 other professors are sitting and talking.

RUBI aaya nahin abhi hanson ka joda?

MALI ab kahan? thoda ho liya? abhi kasar hai? (shakes head)

ONE PROFESOR achha nahin hua, jo bhi hua. jaat biradri se chhekna he bhagwan kya hoga aage? (touches his ears)

SECOND PROFESSOR sab bhagwan ke haath me hai vo jo bhi karta hai achha hi karta hai MALI prof. sahib pahle hi dar tha, panga padega | ye baniya log bahut hi fanatic hote hain |

RUBI

baat sahi hai ham abhi bahut peechhe hain, sadiyon peechhe ham chhodna hi nahin chahte is fanatic soch ko

A boy enters the staff room and hands over a paper to the nearby sitting professor.

BOY (handing over the page) ye sir, prof. deepti ki chhuti hai

Prof. catches the paper and the boy immediately returns.

RUBI Prof. Nikhil bhi aaj lagta hai nahi ayega

One more professor enters the staff room.

NEW PROFESSOR (while sitting) poore kaalij mein nikhil aur deepti ki hi charcha hai kal sawarg tha aur aaj narak

RUBI baat ye hai professor sahib is parivar ke liye ab zindgi kaatna mushkil ho jaayegi kachhi kabildari hai abhi, do ladkiyan kunwari hain abhi unki shaadi?

Rubi have a look at his watch and leaves the staff room. Dr. Mali also leaves. Silence spreads in the staff room.

EXT. NARESH HOUSE ROOF- DAY

seema is spreading wet clothes for drying on the roof. She picks up a cloth, shakes violently, and put it on the wire. Drops of water sprays on a woman (OS) in the neighbouring house. That woman outrages.

> WOMAN oye ye kya kar diya?

SEEMA (sees below) kya hua bahan ji?

WOMAN (more furiously) abhi poochhti ho kya hua | mujhe poori ki poori bhigo diya | khabardar jo aage se idhar pani fenka | ab fir se nahana padega | yahan se dafa kyon nahin ho jaate ye chhekad?

SEEMA (wet eyes) aisa kya kar diya maine bahan ji?

WOMAN abhi kuchh kiya hi nahin | ganda kar diya mujhe toone |

Tears come in Seema's eyes and she comes down keeping the wet clothes as it is.

EXT. VILLAGE ROAD - DAY

A meeting of the biradri is being held under a peepal tree. Big guns and thekedaars of the biradri are attending. Pardhan of the biradri and panchayat are sitting on the dias.

AN OLD MAN

dekhiye pardhan ji inhone poori jaat biradri ki izatt ko daag lagaya hai, inhe bakhsha nahin jana chahiye

SECOND MAN

naak kata di poori duniyan ke saamne aur inko sharm hi nahin aai | chalte hain aur poore parivar ko bta dete hain ki jaat biradri se baahar nikalne ka matlab kya hota hai |

THIRD MAN

maar maar kar pathar saalon ke sar fod dete hain fir dekhte hain kaun daktar lgata hai mahlam? PARDHAN shant ho jaaiye, shant | hame kanoon haath me nahin lena hai bhai |

THIRD MAN (stands in anger) aur jo unhone jaat biradri ki gardan haath me li hai uska kuchh nahin?

He spits on the ground. The person nearby gets to side to save himself from the spit. Some new generation boys stand in rage and madness.

> ALL BOYS chalo dekhte hain, salon ko

And they stride towards Naresh's house.

EXT. NARESH HOUSE - DAY

All the boys stand in front of the house of naresh. They are in fury and calling names. One boy picks a brick from the road and throws on one of the windows of the house. Window glass breaks with a bang.

INT. LOBBY - DAY

Naresh and his family are sitting in the lobby, worried. As the glass breaks all stand up. Naresh runs outside and comes on the main gate.

EXT. ROAD - DAY

He looks at the boys at the gate. A boy picks up a stone and throws it on Naresh with rage. Naresh keeps aside and saves himself and then closes the gate and gets in.

> BOY bhag kahan raha hai saale, jaat biradri ki izat ko dag laga kar tu sochta hai bach jayega ?

Boy sprangs a brick on Naresh but it hits the gate and a loud sound comes.

INT. NARESH HOUSE - DAY

As Naresh turns he sees all his family standing there worried and astonished. Naresh orders them to get in the house. All run in side. Naresh also comes in.

INT. NARESH BEDROOM - DAY

Naresh removes a gun of 12 bore from the wall of bed room, loads it and returns outside.

EXT. ROAD - DAY

As Naresh comes on the gate he sees that the whole panchayat of biradri has gathered there. alongwith them there are his fufa, mama and pardhan of biradri. Naresh fills with rage and gets mad on seeing them. He takes them on the gun point and outbursts

> NARESH ab aao koi aage, bhoon kar rakh doonga

> > BOY (who threw first brick)

He comes spreading his chest and stands against the barrel of the gun

chala goli, mard ka bacha hai to.(he yells) chala...chala goli himmat hai chala goli... chala chalata kyon nahin...chala...

Naresh turns pale. The boy beats his chest courageously. Naresh stunned removes the barral from the boy's chest.

INT. HOUSE LOBBY - NOON

Seema, Nikhil, Arushi and Akshi are sitting frightened. Seema is weeping. Girls are also weeping. Nikhil gets up, picks up the phone and dials 100. then comes out.

EXT. ROAD - NOON

Raghbar Dyal and Pradhan step forward. Raghbar Dyal snatches the gun from Naresh's hands and strike Naresh's cheek with anger and abhorance. Naresh goes back filled with abhorance and insult.

PRADHAN

(grinning) tu bahut hi ghatiya aur kamina aadmi hai | ek chori aur upar se seena jori | vah...| ab dekhte hain tum log ghar se kaise baahar niklte ho?

after speaking this they get back and Naresh also turns back. At the same time police arrives. Police jeep comes into view and everyone looks at that side.

INT. NARESH YARD - NOON

As the police arrives, Naresh turns with a jerk and his family also comes from within. They stand at the main gate.

EXT. STREET - NOON

as the police reach, people get back and the daroga and his jawans stand between both the parties.

PARDHAN oh... to police bulai hai jaat biradri ka faisla karne ke liye.

To inspector

PARDHAN CONTD. inspector ye hmaara jaat biradri ka mamla hai ham khud nipat lenge aap beech mein mat padiye |

INSPECTOR (frightened) lekin... |

PRADHAN lekin vekin kuchh nahin | agar tmasha dekhna hai to rukiye |

Inspector orders his policemen to return. police go back. Pardhan reprimands Naresh to go in.

> PARDHAN CONTD. (mad with rage) tune police ko bula kar achha nahin kiya naresh. ab dekhte hain tujhe kaun.... (touches his moustaches)

Pradhan pushes Narsh back by hitting his chest with both hands, close the gate and lock it from outside.

FIRST BOY

pardhan ji ise to ham dekh lenge | us saale niranjan chmar ko bhi to sabak sikhao jis ne itni himmat dikhai | hmari jaat biradri ko mitti mein mila diya.

PARDHAN

han, usko to sabak sikhana hi hai ta ke aage se koi himmat na kare | jao bata do use ki badi jaat mein shadi karne ka kya anjam ho sakta hai |

8-10 young boys leave for niranjan's house.

EXT. STREET NIRANJAN HOUSE - EVENING

Boys are standing in front of niranjan's house loaded with lethel weapons. One boy picks up a stone from the road and throws it in niranjan's house. The stone strikes the wall with a great thud.

> BOY (yelling angerily) saale chamar teri himmat kaise hui hame bharasht karne ki | baahar nikal| teri ma...| bahar nikal tere tukde tukde kar denge | sala chamar kuta behan cho...

INT. LOBBY - EVENING

On hearing the noise niranjan and his family scare. They don't give any response. Only they keep calm. voices, from outside of calling names, knocking on the main gate and throwing of stones, come regularly for a while.

EXT. STREET - EVENING

When nobody comes out the boys calling names return.

INT. NIRANJAN LOBBY - EVENING

NIRANJAN (scared) jo nahin hona tha vahi hua | ab pata nahin aage kya hoga? police ko fon karte hain. Niranjan picks up the phone and dials 100. Voice of bell comes.

NIRANJAN hello, police station?

V.O.

jee

NIRANJAN dekhiye main niranjan bol raha hoon, apri muhalle se

V.O. jee boliye

NIRANJAN

kuchh ladkon ne hmare ghar me pathar fenke aur hame maarne ki dhamki dekar gaye hain

V.O. aap bahar mat aaiye | mamla ulajh gaya hai ham kuchh nahi kar pa rahe hain | udhar bhi halat theek nahin

hain | ham koshish kar rahe hain

Puts the phone down and return to his place sad and scared.

INT. NARESH DRAWING ROOM - NIGHT

It is 9.30 o'clock. All are sitting frightened at the same place.

NARESH kabhi kisi ne aankh utha kar nahin dekha tha | ab kya apne kya praye sab dushman ho gaye hain | sirf jaat biradri ne nahin aisa lagta hai poore smaaj ne hmara hukka pani band kar diya hai (weeps) aaj fufa ne jo kabhi itna pyar karta tha, 50 logon ke beech thapad mara mujhe

Starts weeping bitterly. Seema, Akshi, Arushi also start weeping. tears come in the eyes of Nikhil also. Nikhil gets up and picking his mobile leaves for another room. INT. NIKHIL BEDROOM - NIGHT

Nikhil dials deepti number. Ring goes.

INT. NIRANJAN HOUSE - NIGHT

Deepti hears the ring of the phone and disconnects it.

INT. NIKHIL BEDROOM - NIGHT

Nikhil again dials Deepti's no and put the phone to his ear.

INT. NIRANJAN HOUSE - NIGHT

deepti's phone rings. She looks that it is Nikhil's phone. She keeps the ring going. Niranjan looks at her.

> NIRANJAN nikhil ka phone hai?

Deepti starts weeping and runs to her bed room.

INT. DEEPTI BEDROOM - NIGHT

Deepti mounts her bed and start weeping bitterly.

INT. NIKHIL BEDROOM - NIGHT

Nikhil sadly keeps the phone aside and starts weeping bitterly.

INT. DEEPTI BEDROOM - NIGHT

Niranjan, Rani and Billu come to Deepti's room and sit with Deepti

NIRANJAN

(advising)
dekho beta agar ye shadi hoti hai
to na ham bachenge aur na vo | ab
sab tumhare upar hai | tum samjhdar
ho theek faisla lena

Deepti nods. Deepti's phone rings. Deepti picks up the phone. Washes her eyes as if she has taken a strong decision.

DEEPTI han bolo?

NIKHIL V.O.

Deepti ye...

DEEPTI (strongly) nikhil aage se phone nahi karna, hame jeena hai marna nahin hai

NIKHIL V.O. lekin isme hamara kya...?

DEEPTI (intrupts) pahle apni jaat biradri ko samjhao | unse nipto pahle | aur han mein resign karne ja rahi hoon, mujhe fir phone mat karna. Aaj tumhari jaat vale marne aaye the hame

Deepti disconnects the phone and starts weeping bitterly. Niranjan, Rani and Billu look with sympathy.

> DEEPTI (attentively) papa kuchh din ke liye ye jagah hi chhod dete hain

NIRANJAN jagah chhodne se kya hoga? ye ghar...

DEEPTI (interupting) jaan to bachi rahegi | agar ham baahar nikle hote to kaat diye gaye hote |

EXT. ROAD - NIGHT

Niranjan comes out of the house with family in his car. stops the car on the road and locks the main gate. Then sits in the driving seat and leaves for unknown place. INT. COLLEGE STAFF ROOM - DAY

Mali, Rubi and some other professors are sitting in their chairs in the staff room and taking tea.

MALI

aapko pata hai Nikhil ki family ka bahar niklna band kar diya hai jaat biradri valon ne.

RUBI

suna hai kal bahut hangama hua, nikhil ke ghar | biradri vale unhe maarne gaye the, achhi kismat thee vo bach gaye | bahut zyadti ho rahi hai becharon ke saath.

ONE PROFESSOR jaat biradri ke aise hi pange hote hain ji.

One professor enters the class room and takes a seat.

NEW PROFESSOR Deepti ne resign de diya hai, principal ki table par pada hai aur sara parivar raat ko shahar chhod kar bhag gaya |

ANOTHER PROFESSOR kya karen kuchh log kal unko maarne gaye the | police bhi kuchh nahin kar pa rahi

NEW PROFESSOR police kya karegi? vo bhi jaat biradri ke hak mein hi bolti hai |bahut bada panga le liya inhonne

INT. NARESH OFFICE - DAY

Employees are talking. Shukla is full of abhorance. old employee is being sympathic.

OLD EMPLOYEE abhi jo ho raha hai achha nahin ho raha | ab tak to sabak mil gaya hoga jaat biradri se panga lene ka

SHUKLA sitti pitti gum kar di saale ki | apne aap ko bada tees maar khan (MORE) SHUKLA (cont'd) samjhata tha | ab bhi to aafis chal raha hai |

ONEBOY bura hua | log bahut khrab hain shukla ji | saalon se doosron ki khushi dekhi nahin jati

OLD EMPLOYEE aaj sham ko naresh ji ke ghar chalte hain | musibat mein hain bechare | jaat biradri valon ne ghar se niklna band kar diya hai aur gate par pehra laga diya hai

SHUKLA

koi nahin jayega | jo unse hamdardi jtayega us ki bhi khair nahin | jaat biradri ka mamla hai | koi bata raha tha uske fufa ne 100 logon ke saamne uske munh par thappad mara | saala...

BOY

dekho ji ek baat hai doodh jaisi naar haath se nikal gai | lekar bhag jata, badhiya rehta | suna hai ladki vale to shahar chhod kar hi bhag gaye

OLD EMPLOYEE

chup oye. unki jaan par bani hai aur tujhe shrarten soojh rahi hain | sham ko dekhte hain, chalega mere saath?

EXT. NARESH HOUSE - EVENING

The employees (old employee, two boys from the office) are standing at the main gate of Naresh's house, One boy presses the bell. From the other side four boys come loaded with hockys and iron rods.

EK LADKA kaun hain aap?

OLD EMPLOYEE naresh ji ke aafis ke log hain, milna chahte hain unse DOOSRA LADKA (with rage) hamdardi jtane aaye ho unhonne jaat biradri ki naak katva di aur aap un se milne aaye ho

PAHLA LADKA jaaiye yahan se

OLD EMPLOYEE lekin...

PAHLA LADKA CONTD. jate ho ki nahin

He waves hocky towars them. All the employees return back

EXT. NIRANJAN HOUSE - NIGHT

Some shadows appear wandering in the street near Niranjan's house. Two shadows appear mounting the outer wall. After sometime they come back. The voice of running steps is heard in the street for a long time. flames appear from Niranjan's house and people appear running here and there. They are trying to put the fire off. A noise has been created. People seen bringing buckets of water to put the fire off. But the flames are touching the sky. a very pathetic scene is created. Children are weeping in high tone. Mixed voices of people are heard. All over there is smoke.

EXT. STREET - MORNING

Smoke is still coming out from Niranjan's house. There is a big gathering in front of the house. People want to know whether there was somebody in the house. police comes and people get back. police inquire from the people, the neighbours but no body is able to tell about the family. Police breaks open the gate and enters the house. Some people accompany police in the house.

INT. NIRANJAN HOUSE - LATE MORNING

police inquire within all the rooms. Devastation is very heart touching. The photographer takes the photos of the burnt material. Everything in the house has burnt. Some people shed tears. Police inquires from a neighbour

POLICE INSPECTOR aap ko maaloom hai ye log kahan gaye, andar koi nahin hai

NEIGHBOURER kal kuchh logon ne inhen dhamkiyan di aur ye log rat ko hee nikal liye the

INSPECTOR kuchh bata kar gaye hon?

NEIGHBOURER nahi sir, kuchh nahi

Police registers a case against some unidentified people, puts the lock at the gate and leave.

EXT. NEWSPAPER VENDOR - MORNING

Every newspaper carries this tragic news. The news spreads in the whole city like a jungle fire. People talk about the incident on roads, in the streets.

EXT. CHOWK - MORNING

Ten people are standing in the chowk and are talking about the incident.

ONE bahut bura hua | ye to achha hua ki vo raat ko hi shahar chhod kar chale gaye varna ho gaya hota ram nam satya hai

OTHER bhai unka kya kasoor hai | ab jab ladke vale taiyar hain to kisi ko kya aitraz?

THIRD aitraz kyon nahin | sarkar ne sar chdha rakha hai in chhote logon ku

chdha rakha hai in chhote logon ko | koi zamana tha ye log naali ke keede samjhe jaate the | ab dekho sar par pair rakh rahe hain | chale hain baniyon me shadi rachane |

(MORE)

THIRD (cont'd) jaat biradri ki koi mahima hai ki nahin?

INT. LOCAL MLA HOUSE - MORNING

A local scheduled caste MLA seems sitting in a splendid room and about 10 people are sitting in front of him. A worker, carrying a bunch of different newspapers, enters the room and place the bundle before the leader. MLA picks up the paper and reads the news. His face expressions change as he goes further in detail of the news. His face tightns. Some other workers also read the news.

> MLA (getting up) in logon ko sabak sikhana hi padega chalo utho DC se baat karte hain |

All the seated workers get up and starts speaking slogans.

MLA gundagardi

OTHERS nahin chalegi, nahin chalegi

EXT. ROAD - DAY

All the workers, speaking slogans loudly with raised arms, come out of the house of MLA.

MLA jo hamse takraiga

OTHERS choor choor ho jayega

MLA garv se kaho

OTHERS ham chamar hain

MLA garv se kaho

OTHERS ham chamar hain

On the road people of chamar jaat biradri assemble with the procession.

A newspaper vendor throws a newspaper in the yard of a house. Newspaper strikes the door and a thud voice comes. Deepti comes out to pick the newspaper. Open the paper and shrieks while reading a news at the first page.

> DEEPTI papa...gundon ne hmara ghar jla diya papa...

She yells and goes flat on the floor.

INT. LOBBY - MORNING

On hearing Deepti's shriek every one scares and runs outside.

EXT. YARD - MORNING

Deepti is lying on the floor and screaming.

DEEPTI papa, qundon ne hmara qhar jala

diya papa | ham barbad ho gaye papa

Deepti stands and puts her arms in her mother's neck. Rani also starts screaming. Billu also shrieks. Tears also roll in the eyes of Niranjan. Their relatives pacify them but the scene becomes very pathetic. Neighbours also come out of their houses and look at them. Niranjan without saying any word gets in, sits on a sofa and weeps. After sometime all come in.

> NIRANJAN (weeping) shukar hai bhagwan ka ham andar nahin the | varna... (weeps bitterly)

EXT. NARESH HOUSE - MORNING

A news vendor throws a newspaper in the house of Naresh. Nikhil comes out on hearing the thud and picks up the paper. He, while standing on toes, looks out of the house over the boundary wall. He sees four boys there. Then open the paper and screams aloud.

NIKHIL (shrieks) papa...

The four boys sitting outside go attentive. One of them comes over the boundary wall and peeps inside. When nothing comes to his senses, he comes back giving motion to his hands.

INT. BEDROOM - MORNING

When Nikhil's scream reaches the ears of family members they scare and run outside. Naresh gets the newspaper from the hands of Nikhil and reading the news

> NARESH (dismayed) oh my God...

And sits there keeping his head in his hands. Seema and both the daughters also scream.

EXT. ROAD - DAY

Procession of MLA extends bigger and they are yelling slogans.

MLA garv se kaho

OTHERS ham chamar hain

MLA daliton par zulm

OTHERS nahin sahenge, nahin sahenge

Police appears coming and starts walking with the procession.

EXT. DC OFFICE - DAY

While speaking slogans, procession reaches the DC office and raises the speed of slogans

MLA ham kya chahte hain? OTHERS

insaaf

MLA

gundon ko

OTHERS jaldi pakdo aur saza do

MLA garv se kaho

OTHERS ham chamar hain

An officer comes out from the office and stands in front of the procession. He raises his arms and gestures them to keep quite. Procession goes silent

OFFICER

(pecifying voice) dekhiye hame bahut afsos hai ki aisa kaand hua | police mauka-e-vardat par ja chuki hai aur agyat logon ke khilaf case darj kar liya gaya hai | unhe jaldi griftaar kar liya jayega aur unke khilaf karvai kee jayegi | kisi bhi mujrim ko baksha nahin jayega

MLA lekin kab?

OFFICER dekhiye police apna kaam kar rahi hai aur jald hi mujrim aapke saamne honge

MLA ye kaam jaldi hona chahiye varna ham yahan dharna de denge

OFFICER vishvash rakhiye shrarti tatav jald pakde jaayenge

People feel pacified and start returning.
The people seem returning to their homes. Then a boy of 19-20 goes weird.

BOY Oo...ruko sab| ham aise vapis nahin jayenge | yahin dharna denge jab tak faisla nahin ho jata | in unchi jaat valon ko sabak sikha kar hee hilenge yahan se | baitho yahin sadak par (aloud) chakka jaam karo |

Two people come forward to pacify him but he does not agree. MLA comes and tries to pacify him but he does not. He goes weird more.

> BOY faisla aaj hi ho kar rahega | us saale baniye ke ghar ko bhi aag laga do | jala do saalon ko zinda andar hi | bana do vahin samadhi |

The people travelling on road make a way from the side and cross them. voices of horns of cars and scooters come. The same boy puts off a shoe from his foot and throws vehemently on a big car crossing nearby. The shoe strikes the wind screen.

INT. CAR - DAY

As the shoe strikes against the wind screen the passengers sitting inside get back as if they were to be hit. The car comes to halt with a jerk.

EXT. ROAD - DAY

All the people in the procession starts throwing their shoes on the passangers. The people run helter skelter and it turns into a riot. people leave their cars, scooters, motorcycles, cycles and run here and there. Shopkeepers shut their shops and run. Police remains a spectator.

EXT. OTHER ROAD OF THE CITY - DAY

On the other road some people are coming, full of rage, loaded with lethal weapons. After a while they mingle with the rioters and assault them. News of riots spread everywhere. EXT. POLICE LINE - DAY

Policemen mount the vehicles and run to the affected place.

EXT ROAD - DAY

Police gherao the rioters from all around. An inspector fires in the air to attract attention of the rioters. But nobody listens, people are fighting and then police lathi charge.

INT NARESH LOBBY - EVENING

TV is on. The news regarding riots are being broadcast on the TV. Post riot scenes are being broadcast. Reporters are giving reports. Very tragic scenes are broadcast. Injured and dying people, stained in blood. Some are picking the injured and helping them. Akshi pick up the remote and change the channel. On the other channel same reports are being broadcast. She changes the channels two three times but the same broadcast.

NARESH

(worried catches his forehead) he bhagwan, itna khatarnak khel hai ye jaat paat ka | bhyanak | ye to sapne me bhi nahin socha tha |kitni barbadi, kitna katleaam, ek sirf jaat paat ke naam par. traggic.

EXT. ROAD - NIGHT

some young boys are standing on the road with their motorcycles and are whispring. Then one gestures and all leave on motorcycles.

EXT. NARESH HOUSE - NIGHT

All the motorcycles stop in front of the Naresh's house. Two of them get down from the motorcycles. They are holding bottols in their hands. They ignite the bottols with lighters, throw them in narresh's house and disapear in the dark.

INT. NARESH HOUSE YARD - NIGHT

One burning bottle hit the wall, breaks and immediately petrol in it catches fire. The second bottol falls in the courtyard, breaks and starts burning.

INT. LOBBY - NIGHT

Naresh listens the thud and all the family members come out. Akshi, Arushi and Nikhil start throwing water on the fire. Naresh turns and goes inside running. Comes out with the gun, opens the main gate.

EXT. ROAD - NIGHT

Naresh screams

NARESH kaun hai? saamne aa, bhoon kar rakh doonga.

He fires in the air. Nobody comes in view there. Scerenity all around. Then sits at the same place and starts weeping bitterly.

INT. HOUSE - NIGHT

On hearing the shot all come out running

AKSHI (screaming) papa...

EXT. STREET - NIGHT

Seema, Akshi, Arushi and Nikhil come running and cling to Naresh. They start weeping and get Naresh in.

INT. POLICE STATION - DAY

Naresh and Nikhil are sitting in front of the inspector

NARESH (poorly) hame bachao inspector sahib | yadi rat na pata chalta to ghar smet jala diye gaye hote |

INSPECTOR

police kahan kahan ho bhai | aur apka ei to panga liya hua hai | banion ki chhohrian ghas charne gai thi kya? batao mujhe?

NARESH

ham to jaat paat mein vishvash hi nahin karte inspector sahib | achha match tha bas isi liye|

INSPECTOR

ab dekhlo achhe match ke liye dono khiladi pahli gend par hi out ho gaye | darshkon ko jo takleef pahunchi so alag | aise peechha na chhutega aapka ja kar jaat biradri se maafi ki guhar lgaiye | ham to kuchh na kar saken bhai is mamle mein | khap panchayton ka mamla sai | aur is chhokre ke sar se ye pyar vyar ka bhoot utaro varna kahin ke nahin rahoge |

Naresh comes out of the police station disappointed. Nikhil follows.

EXT. POLICE STATION - DAY

As they come out some people gherao them

FIRST

yahi hain na vo jo chmaron se rishta jodne chale the?

SECOND

han. abhi to zinda hain bhai | bas jaat biradri me itna hi dam hai | tote tote nahin kiye inke ?

FIRST

vo bhi ho jayega, abhi bhi akal na aai to | pahle to is launde ke tote karne padenge | sallon ne jaat biradri ka tamasha bana ke rakh diya hai |

Naresh and Nikhil get into the car with bowed heads and disappear.

Naresh disappointedly throws himself in the sofa. Then somebody knocks on the main gate. Arushi goes out.

EXT. STREET - DAY

INT. HOUSE - DAY

Postman hands over a marriage card to Arushi and Arushi closes the gate and returns. She while returning opens the card and cheers up

ARUSHI papa, mini ki shadi hai bees taarikh ko

AKSHI chalenge sab bua ke ghar kuchh din to chain milega

Naresh is seeing all but does not speak. Arushi puts the card on the table and disappears in his bedroom.

INT. NIKHIL BEDROOM - NIGHT

Nikhil dials deepti's number and disconnects. He again dials and disconnects. He dials for the third time and again disconnects. Then keeps the phone aside and tries to sleep.

INT. BEDROOM - NIGHT

Deepti is sitting on the bed lost in thoughts. Niranjan and Rani enter the bedroom. On seeing them Deepti starts crying.

> DEEPTI (crying) papa, isme hamara kya kasoor hai?

NIRANJAN

(pecifying) kisi ka kasoor nahin hai beta, bas hmare smaj ka kasoor hai jo is jaat paat ke janjal se bahar niklna hi nahin chahta aur jo niklna chahte hain unhe niklne nahin diya jata | kal rat naresh ke ghar ko bhi jlane ki koshish ki gai| DEEPTI (amazed) Oh my God...

NIRANJAN police ne bhi madad karne se inkaar kar diya

EXT. NARESH HOUSE STREET - DAY

A car stops in front of the main gate. Radha descends, comes to gate, presses the door bell and waits. Joginder awaits in the car.

INT. HOUSE - DAY

On hearing the bell Seema comes out. When she opens the gate gets pleased on seeing her sister-in-law. She tries to embrace her but Radha stops with the gesture of hand.

SEEMA (wet eyes) didi andar to aao.

Seema looks at Joginder and greets him with folded hands. Joginder replies with bowed head.

SEEMA CONTD. jija ji andar to aaiye - vo...

RADHA nahi tum logon ka hukka paani band hai | andar nahin aayenge |

SEEMA (turns her neck back) aji sunte ho - didi aai hain

Naresh, Nikhil, Arushi and Akshi appear coming from inside.

NARESH andar to chalo

He runs towards jija and tries to catch his hand but joginder frees his hand. Naresh returns and her eyes go wet.

> RADHA (with rigidness) dekho bees taarikh ki shadi hai aur sabhi ne aana hai | agar nahi aaye to aur bhi bura ho sakta hai | samajh gaye na |

Whole the family try to stop them but they don't and leave. Naresh and family get inside morose.

INT. DRAWING ROOM - DAY

Naresh, seema, Akshi, Arushi and Nikhil are sitting in sofas

NIKHIL main to na jaunga shadi me | itna kuchh ho gaya, aur kya bura hoga. batao apne sage hi peechhe pade hain

ARUSHI papa, ham bhi nahin jayenge

NARESH dekho beta, jo hoga dekha jayega, shadi me chalenge aur sab chalenge

AKSHI bahut beizati hogi papa | pata nahin ye log kya soch kar baithe hain

NARESH kyon seema tum kya kahti ho?

SEEMA

baat jo bigdni thi bigad chuki aur nahin bigdani chahiye | dekhte hain kya hota hai | chalenge |

NARESH itna kuchh to jhel liya agar baat banti hai to thoda aur sahi

ARUSHI

theek hai papa

NIKHIL

yadi mujhe kisi ne kuchh kaha to main to sar fod doonga kisi ka

NARESH

o yaar, tu aise hi bas | chalo to sahi, dekhte hain kya hota hai |

Every one agrees and all take tea. On the screen 20 date is displayed.

EXT. ROAD - MORNING

Naresh and family are travelling in a car. All are sad and morose. They fear some untoward incident.

EXT. SUBURB - DAY

car stops outside the suburb and the whole family gets out of the car and waits on the way. after a few minutes a passerby crosses them. Naresh sends a message to Radha that they have arrived.

EXT. STREET RADHA'S HOUSE - DAY

The person conveys the message of Naresh to Radha

EXT. ROAD - DAY

naresh looks at the watch.

NARESH adha ghanta ho gaya yahan khade. abhi tak koi lene kyon nahin aya?

SEEMA sabar rakho, ye mat bhulo ham jaat se baahar kiye hue hain

NIKHIL chhodo papa, vapis chalte hain

NARESH dekho hmara message ja chuka hai agar vapis jaate hain to aur bhi bura hoga

They hear weeping voices of ladies from somewhere. They see towards that side.

EXT. ROAD - DAY

about 7-8 ladies including Radha come weeping towards them. Also 5-6 men accompany them.

EXT. ROAD - DAY

ARUSHI

are koi mar gaya kya? ye to teeno bua ji and fufa ji hain | ye aise kyon?

SEEMA lagta hai koi anhoni ho gai hai

weeping ladies come near them. On seeing them Naresh and seema also starts weeping. On all this Nikhil, Arushi and Akshi see them strangly. Radha comes near

RADHA

chup! koi mar gaya hai jo ro rahe ho? ek galtian karte ho upar se drame dikhate ho.

Naresh and Seema keeps calm. Children see other side and smile. weeping ladies get the lead and Naresh and family follow them. The people of the suburb, from their roofs, take pleasure of all this drama.

EX. RADHA HOUSE - DAY

Out of Radha's house there is a big gathering of people and relatives. All look at them. When they reach home, everyone gets in. Radha stops Naresh's family to enter the house and herself goes in. Naresh and family are standing outside, sad. Then after a while Radha comes and points them to sit where the shoes have been left.

> ARUSHI chhi: ham in jootiyon mein baithenge? ham nahin baithenge ham ja rahe hain vapis.

She turns back. With her Nikhil and Akshi also turn back. At the same time Raghbar Dyal appears accompanied by Balak Ram.

RAGHBAR DAYAL chu chap baith jao varna mil kar aisa peetenge ki khada hone layak na rahoge?

Chalo (he points with the finger in a threatning voice)

They all scare. They put their foot forward where the shoes are lying, in the meantime a person brings water in earthen pots for them. Naresh, Seema aur bachhon ki haalat saamp ke

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munh kohd kirli jaisi ho jaati hai | na niglte banta hai na chhodte banta hai | Naresh and seema see into one other's eyes. Then they pick up the earthen pots and drink water. Children don't drink. Naresh's brothers and sisters-in-law all are looking at them in abhorance.

They sit where ordered, near the shoes. The rituals of marriage start. Naresh and family is not included in the rituals. All the rituals are performed by his younger brother. Now the marriage is complete. All enter the pandal for food. There is a great rush in the pandal.

Then a man brings food for them in earthen pots. Children start weeping at this and Naresh and Seema also get their eyes wet. But no body comes to console them.

A very poor relative comes and stands near them. He constantly looks at them and suddenly spits on the ground. Nikhil does not bear this and runs to fight with him. The relative stands as firm with expanded chest. One more relative comes in his side. Nikhil have to return.

> SEEMA bahut beizati ho gai aaj to hmari halat bhikhmangon se bhi pre ho gai.

NARESH koi baat nahi tum ye shukar karo ham zinda to hain varna ab tak...

Tears appear in naresh's eyes.

NIKHIL ye sala naali ka keeda ham par thook kar chala gaya, ham par?

NARESH beta shukar kar hame dekh kar thooka hai ham par nahin thooka

EXT. STREET - EVENING

The married girl parts and all leave. None cares for Naresh and his family. They, without saying anything, return INT. CAR - EVENING

every one is sitting dumb in the car. They felt a lot of insult.

INT. LOBBY - EVENING

They come home and sit in the lobby. No one is talking to any one. They steal eyes from one another.Naresh is looking at the ceiling constantly without any cause.Then

> NARESH (weeping) kya rutba tha hamara, aaj radha ne sara mitti mein mila diya | itni beizati se to mar jate to achha tha |

Naresh starts weeping bitterly. Seema also weeps. Daughters cling to parents and weep.

NIKHIL (weeping) ye sab meri vaja se hua hai | mera hi kasoor hai sara | mujhe jeene ka koi hak nahin hai| papa...mumi...

He starts weeping aloud. Then Naresh and Seema come to senses and sit near Nikhil and pacify him

> NIKHIL CONTD. itna kuchh seh rahe the lekin aaj jo hua bardashat se baahar hai papa.

> > NARESH

sapne me bhi nahi socha tha ki sage bahan bhaiyon ka khoon bhi is kadar sfed ho jayega | koi bhi madad ko nahin aya | koi hmare hak me nahi bola | aaj to apne aap par thookne ka din karta hai|

SEEMA iska hal dhundo ji jaldi se jaldi varna koi anhoni na ho jaye |

whole the family weeps - they keep on sitting without taking anything. The night is at its peak. It is 2 o'clock now. But nobody sleeps. Then slowly and slowly all go into the lap of sleep, sitting at the same place. INT. LOBBY - MORNING

A voice of thud comes from outside. On hearing this Seema opens her eyes, looks at the clock, it is 10 O'clock. Seema awake them all.

SEEMA chalo utho | kab tak shok mnaoge is beizati ka | main chay bnati hoon \ pite hain aur fir mil kar hal dhoondhte hain | ab panga liya hai to bhugtana to padega hi | chalo utho? Himmat dikhao

Seema disappears in the kitchen | All wake up but steal eyes from one another.

NARESH are han yad aya, shayad hal mil gaya | chandigarh me mere ek muslman dost ke saath aisa hi kuchh hua tha, uske paas chalte hain | koi na koi hal batayega |

Seema comes with the tea and all together drink tea.

SEEMA kaun vo shamshad bhai

NARESH han vahi | abhi fon lagata hun |

A strange glare passes Naresh's face. He phones Shamshad and asks him to meet.

ACT III

EXT. PLATEFORM - DAY

Naresh sits in a train compartment which is bound for Chandigarh.

EXT. RAILWAY STATION - MORNING

Naresh picking his bag comes out of the station and takes a taxi

Taxi stops in front of the house of Shamshad bhai. Naresh pays and pushes the door bell. Door opens and Shamshad is before him. Both embrace and get in the house.

INT. DRAWING ROOM - MORNING

Both sit in the drawing room. Reshma (wife of Shamshad) comes and greets Naresh. Then disappears in the kitchen.

SHAMSHAD nashta bhi taiyar karna?

RESHMA han han kaisi baten kar rahe hain | pahle chay aur fir nashta

SHAMSHAD bhool hi gaye bhai jaise ham ek

doosre ko | kitne saal ho gaye mile

NARESH bas zindgi isi ka naam hai | jaise jaise aage badhti hai purane chhootte chale jaate hain aur naye milte chale jaate hain

SHAMSHAD chandigarh me koi office ka kaam hoga?

NARESH nahi bhai bas tumhare paas hi aaya hoon

SHAMSHAD subhan allah | zahe naseeb | bolo kya khidmat kar sakta hoon apne dost ki?

Shamshad puts his hand on Naresh's shoulder. Tears flow from the eyes of Naresh. shamshad stands, sits beside Naresh and emabraces him. Reshma comes with the tea and sits on the sofa. She sees tears in the eyes of Naresh.

> RESHMA kya hua bhai sahib | khariat to hai | bhabi bachche sab khariat se to hain?

NARESH han bhabi abhi tak to sabhi khariat se hain. bas...

tears again flow from naresh's eyes and Shamshad again takes him into his arms.

SHAMSHAD batao yaar akhir hua kya hai?

NARESH

bas kya btayen | hona kya hai | bete ne panga le liya jaat biradari se bahar shadi karne ka to jaat biradari ne hmara hukka paani band kar diya

SHAMSHAD

baap re ! ham log kabhi aage nahi badh sakte | agar koi badhne lagta hai to ham use bhi neeche kheench lete hain |kahne ko ham 21svi sadi mein hain prantu hmari soch abhi bhi 200 saal purani hai | ladki kis jaat ki hai?

NARESH

chmaron ki.

SHAMSHAD

are bacha kuchh zayada hi forward ho gaya lagta hai (smiles) vaise chamarian hoti bahut sunder hain (giggles)

Reshma shys and laughs.

NARESH

isi liye to ye halat hui hai | marte marte bache hain | ghar ko aag tak lgane lage the | ladki valon ka ghar to jla hi dala |

SHAMSHAD

(sadly) Oh, akhbaron mein kai din chhai rahi hai surkhian prantu dhyan hi nahi diya ki tum ho sakte ho.

NARESH

tumhare saath bhi to pad gaya tha aisa hi panga, isi liye tumhare paas aaya hoon. Shamshad and Reshma look at eachother, scare on remembering and become serious.

SHAMSHAD mat yad dilao yar vo din | yad karte hain to shreer ke raungte khade ho jaate hain |

NARESH mujhe iska hal batao | tumne kaise nipta tha is se | mujhe koi salah dene valla bhi nahin hai apne praye sab dushman ho gaye hain

SHAMSHAD batata hoon iska hal aise karo pahle tum naha lo fir nashte par baat karte hain

NARESH

theek hai

Shamshad and Naresh get up. Naresh gets towel, brush and paste from his bag. Reshma clears the table.

INT. NARESH'S LOBBY - MORNING

Seema, Arushi, Akshi and Nikhil are taking the morning tea

SEEMA papa pahunch gaye honge chandigarh?

AKSHI

han, kab ke

SEEMA dekho koi hal niklata hai to

INT. DINING - MORNING

Shamshad and Naresh are taking breakfast on the dining table. Reshma is bringing hot prauthas for them. She tries to put one prautha in Naresh's plate he begs to stop.

> RESHMA are bhai sahib kmal karte ho

And she puts one forcibly.

SHAMSHAD

to bhai hal ye hai ki apne kisi bhai bahan ko beech me dalo aur faisla karvao

NARESH

par hamse koi baat hi nahin karta sab dushman ho gaye hain

SHAMSHAD

laakh ho jayen dushman aakhir to apna hi khoon hai naakhoono se kabhi maans alag hua hai?

RESHMA

aise hi karna padega bhai sahib varna ye sab sake sambandhi apko baar baar bulayenge aur aapki beizati karenge | thoothon me paani pilayenge, aur jahan jooti utarte hain vahan baitha kar mitti ke bartnon me roti khilayenge | akdoge to jaan se haath dho baithoge (tears come in her eyes) bahut bhugta hai hamne | jhukna aapko hi padega

SHAMSHAD

koi baat nahin aisa hi hota hai (keeps his hand on Naresh's back)

NARESH

hota nahin ho chuka hai | badi bahan ke ghar jootion mein baith kar roti khai, thoothon mein

SHAMSHAD

jaat biradri ke saamne koi hainkad nahi chalti | hame to sachmuch me peet diya tha | ham do saal tak apne aapko tees mar khan samjhte rahe | do saalon me jo haal hua byan se bahar hai |

NARESH

ham bhi tees mar khan the prantu ab har vakt maut ke saaye me ji rahe hain

SHAMSHAD

na, na, na, marenge nahin ek dam | til til marenge | aur vo bhi poori jaat biradri ke saamne RESHMA

bhai sahib apne kisi bahan bhai ko beech daaliye aur jis ne ye hukka paani band kiya hai us se guhaar lgaiye | varna betion ki shadi karni bhari pad jayegi | akad hainkad sab chhod dijiye | pairon me gir jaiye bas | varna... (remembers and weeps)

Naresh thinks.

EXT. STATION - EVENING

Shamshad, Naresh and Reshma descends the car at the railway station, chandigarh. Naresh says good bye to Reshma with folded hands and pulls Shamshad in his arms. taking leave, disappears on the railway station.

INT. NARESH HOUSE LOBBY - MORNING

Naresh, Seema, Nikhil, Arushi and Akshi all are taking morning tea.

NARESH (To Seems)) chay pi kar jaldi taiyar ho jao

EXT. RANJAN HOUSE - DAY

Naresh stops the car in front of Ranjan's house and press the door bell. Ranjan comes out but avoids talking and shrinks with fear. Rekha also comes outside.

> RANJAN bhai yahan kyon aaye ho? aap ne jo kiya sahi ya galat mujhe nahi pata prantu yadi kisi ne dekh liya to hmare liye mushkil ho jayegi | aap jaaiye yahan se |

NARESH (worried) yar jo hua ham bahut jhel rahe hain | teri madad chahiye | hmara faisla kra yaar | jaise bhi ho | 88.

RANJAN dekho bhai ham aapko andar bhi nahin bula sakte | aap jao yahan se

SEEMA bhaiya aap hi sahara ho ab kaise bhi karo | baat chalao | jo kahoge ham karne ko taiyar hain |

REKHA bhai sahib itna keh rahe hain to kro kuchh | chalo didi ke paas chalte hain | usi se salah mashvira karte hain |

Ranjan and Rekha accompany Naresh to Radha's house.

EXT. RADHA HOUSE - DAY

Car stops in front of Radha's house. Ranjan and Rekha come out of the car.

RANJAN aap log yahin baitho main andar jaakar aata hoon

Ranjan and Rekha disappear in Radha's house. After a while return with Radha and Joginder. Radha on seeing her brother goes sentimental and her eyes become wet. Naresh comes out of the car with bowed head. And on seeing the sister her eyes also become wet.

> RADHA (to joginder) chalo nikalo gadi.

EXT. VILLAGE RAGHBAR DYAL HOUSE - DAY

Both the cars stop in front of Raghbar Dayal's house. Ranjan, Rekha, Radha and Joginder come out of the cars.

> RADHA (to Naresh and Seema) tum yahin bahar vet karo hamara |

Naresh nods. Radha, Joginder, Ranjan and Rekha enter the house of Raghbar Dayal. Then they come out of the house with Raghbar Dayal and Kamla. Naresh and Seema see them and come out of the car. Naresh and Seema bow to touch the feet of fufa and bua. but Raghbar Dayal draws his feet behind. Tears come out of Naresh's eyes. RAGHBAR DAYAL (to Radha) dekho beti mere haath me kuchh nahin hai | main kuchh nahin kar sakta | jaat biradri ka mamla hai | bahut sangeen hai | Jo isne kiya mafi ke kabil nahi hai | mere bas ki baat nahin hai | aao kamla...

Raghbar Dayal turns to leave.

RADHA

(stopping) fufa ji, ise akal aa gai hai aur ye apne kiye par bahut pachhta rah hai aap pardhan ji se mil kar koshish to karo jo bhi dand hoga ye bhugtega |

RAGHBAR DAYAL nahi ab baat mere bas se bahar hai (again turns)

RADHA fufa ji ek bar koshish to karo, kaho to ham saath chalte hain

RAGHBAR DAYAL chalo dekhte hain koshish karke (to Naresh & seema) tum jao ab yahan se |

Raghbar Dayal and Kamla take Radha Joginder, Ranjan and Rekha inside and Naresh and Seema return.

INT. NARESH OFFICE - DAY

All the employees are laughing at some matter.

SHUKLA

pata nahin kya ho gaya pichhle 15 dino se roti theek se hazam nahi aa rahi

ONE BOY shukla ji bande ko na aadat pad jaati hai, kisi bhi cheez ki | ab aap ko hi lo jab tak gard na jhad le khana kaise hazam aayega?

everyone laughs but shukla's face becomes long.

SHUKLA

daftar ab bhi chal raha hai | kitni shanti hai | kaam bhi poora ho raha hai | usne to...

Shukla sheds his neck and becomes busy in work.

OLD EMPLOYEE

oye chhodo, ab tak to naresh ki akal thikane aa gai hai | sab akad, hainkad choo mantar ho gai hai

SHUKLA

vo kaise?

OLD EMPLOYEE

Naresh ka bhai mila ha kal vo bata raha tha | Naresh jaat biradri me vapis aane ke liye rishtedaron ke pair pakdta fir raha hai |

SHUKLA maza aa gaya | aise bande ke saath aisa hi hona chahiye |

INT. COLLEGE STAFF ROOM - DAY

Many gents and lady professors are sitting in the staff room and talking.

MALI apko maloom hai Deepti ka resignation manzoor ho gaya hai

ONE PROFESSOR chalo achha hai vo bechari to vaise hi ragdi gai | uska kya ksoor tha | ladki intelligent hai aur upar se SC, naukari to kahin na kahin pakki hai |

MALI par becharon ke saath hua bahut bura

RUBI Nikhil ka kya hua bhai, samaj ko badlne chala tha?

SECOND PROFESSOR chhuti to manzoor ho gai thi uski | ab dekho kab karta hai join RUBI pahle biradri ko to join ho lene do

Every one laughs.

INT. DRAWING ROOM - DAY

Naresh and Seema are sitting in the drawing room and talking

NARESH char din ho gaye koi jawab nahin aaya | Ranjan se poochhta hun

Dials phone to Ranjan.

NARESH

hello

RANJAN V.O. hello, han bhai

NARESH ranjan abhi tak koi jwab nahin aaya fufa ke paas ja kar aao yaar

RANJAN V.O. han kal baat hui thi fufa ji se kahte hain abhi koi faisla nahin ho paya do char din aur lagenge

NARESH bata dena bhai jo bhi faisla ho ham to taiyar baithe hain

RANJAN V.O. han theek hai bhai

Naresh disconnects the phone and turns to Seema

NARESH Ranjan bol raha hai do char din aur lagenge faisla hone mein

EXT. DHARAMSHALA - DAY

A scheduled meeting of jaat biradri panchayat is going on. More than 100 people are attending and discussing. Raghbar Dayal, Balak Ram and sarpanch of the panchayat are sitting on cots. Three gurgles are roaming here and there. Four people are providing air with big hand made fans.

RAGHBAR DAYAL

nahin sarpanch ji, 75000 to zayada hain

SARPANCH

kyon? tumhara bhatija hai is liye zayada hain | akad dekhi hai uski?

BALAK RAM

jab bhi koi aisa kand hota hai to 25-30 hazar hi jurmana hota aya hai

ONE MEMBER

vo to tere mere liye hai balak ram ji | ye to kambakhat sabhi afsar hain | bade hain, ab badon ko jurmana bhi to bada hona chahiye

BALAK RAM

fir bhi bade hain to marna thoda hi hai

SECOND MEMBER

baat bade chhote ki nahin hai ji hmare kaunsa hal chalen | yahi to mauka sai bhai sabak sikhane ka | yen to kabhi baat bhi na karen abhi fanse sai. (looks at sarpanch) pchhatar theek sai sarpanch ji

BALAK RAM chalo aisa karo pchas kar lo

SARPANCH

kyon karlen bhai pchas abhi to aaya daadh ke niche

People starts whispering among themselves | Then discussions again take place and the matter is finalized at 50000.

SARPANCH

dekho raghbar ji ab na tumhari na meri naresh jurmane ke taur par panchayat ko 50000 dega aur poori jaat biradri ko bhoj dega tabhi katenge paap uske | ab bhoj par ek laakh lage ya paanch lage karna hi hoga | bas final | aur poori biradri se mafi mangni hogi gaunchha gale me dal kai|

Every body says ok ok. Panchayat disperses with this decision.

SARPANCH suno bhai suno ek aur baat suno | ye baat naresh tak pahuncha do | vo hame bhoj ki taarikh bata de aur jaldi |

Every one leaves for their homes.

INT. DRAWING ROOM - EVENING

Naresh, Seema, Akshi, Arushi and Nikhil are taking evening tea. Then Naresh's phone rings. Naresh look at the phone. It shows Ranjan

> NARESH ranjan ka fon hai, hello

RANJAN V.O. han bhai aaj panchayat ne apka faisla kar diya

NARESH kya faisla hua?

RANJAN V.O. achhi tarah maanj diya bhai aapko | aapko jiwan daan dene ke liye biradri ko 50000 rupe dene honge aur poori biradri ko bada bhoj| dekh lo...

NARESH dekhna kya hai yaar? karna hi padega mujhe din poochh kar batao ham taiyar hain

RANJAN V.O. theek hai bhai kal ko phone karta hoon

Phone is disconnected by ranjan and naresh also puts the phone down.

NIKHIL kya kah rahe hain papa?

NARESH biradri me vapis lene ke liye

biradri ki panchayat ko 50000 rupay dene honge, poori biradri ko bhoj aur mafi mangni hogi poori biradri ke saamne SEEMA ye to bahut zayada hain had kar di in logon ne

NARESH bas chup raho panga kiya hai to nibhana hi padega

Every one thinks.

EXT. NARESH HOUSE - DAY

Tents are being fitted opposite naresh's house. On one side halwai is doing its work making sweets and preparing for vegetables and pooris. Some people are peeling the vegetables. It looks it is some marriage. Excellant arrangements have been made for the guests. Every thing is in its place.

INT. NARESH OFFICE - MORNING

Naresh invites his colleagues for the function.

INT. STAFF ROOM - MORNING

Nikhil invites his colleagues for the function

INT. BANK - MORNING

Arushi invites her colleagues for the function.

INT. COLLEGE - MORNING

Akshi invites her friends for the function.

EXT. HOME - MORNING

In the morning guests start arriving. The whole biradri, relatives, friends and known starts reaching. Upto 12 noon the pandal is packed to capacity. More than 400 people are present. Sarpanch sits on the dias and day's proceedings begin.

SARPANCH bulao naresh aur uske bete ko 95.

One man disappears out of pandal. (beat) Naresh, Nikhil, Seema and Arushi and Akshi seen coming from the pandal door with folded hands, bowed heads. Look poor. Naresh and Nikhil are in underwear and banian and gamchhas are hanging in their necks.

> SARPANCH CONTD (seeing women) inko bhejo andar aurton ka koi kam nahin yahan | in dono ne apradh kiya hai to saza bhi in ko hi bhugtana hai

Naresh and Nikhil reach near the sarpanch.

SARPANCH CONTD (to naresh) lao pahle jurmane ki rakam do

Naresh pulls 50000 from his baniyan pocket and gives to Raghbar Dayal. Raghbar Dayal further gives the money to Sarpanch. sarpanch immediately puts it into his pocket.

> SARPANCH CONTD. theek hai | ab mango mafi poori biradri se haath jod kar | jo apradh tum logon ne karne ki himmat ki uski kshma yachna |

> NARESH & NIKHIL (poorly with folded hands) ham bahut bada apradh karne ja rahe the | ham is ke liye poori biradri se mafi ki bheekh mangte hain aur vada karte hain ki zindgi mein bhool se bhi aisi galti nahi hogi.

Both bow before the biradri and take a round at the same place.

ALL PRESENT shabash bhai shabash ab ye dobara biradri me aa gaye hain badhai ho

Sarpanch, Raghbar Dayal, Balak Ram all pat on the back of both the father and the son. Sarpanch and other people bless them. And then every one **attacks** on the meals. After the meals panchayat once more assembles.

> SARPANCH (to a man) lala ji, ye baitha hai ladka dekh lo achhi tarah parkh lo bhai | (MORE)

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SARPANCH (cont'd) kuchh poochhna ho to poochh lo fir baat aage badhate hain |

THAT MAN sarpanch ji hamne to pahle hi dekh liya tha achha hai pasand hai

SARPANCH (to nikhil) kyon bhai tumhari kya rai hai | ladki IAS hai | bolo to rishta pakka samjhen?

Nikhil looks at Naresh. In the mean time Seema, Akshi and Arushi also join the proceedings.

RAGHBAR DYAL oye shadi tune karni hai ya tere baap ne jo bitar bitar uski taraf dekh raha hai

Nikhil shrinks.

SARPANCH (pulling from the pocket) lo foto dekh lo

Nikhil looks at the photo with stealthily and then Naresh, Seema, Akshi and Arushi look at the photo

> RADHA ladki to sunder hai

SARPANCH aur IAS bhi| han ji bolo, thaka yahin par ho jaye?

All laugh | Father of the girl stands and put a tika on the forehead of Nikhil and puts engagement material in his jholi. all the people congratulate Naresh, Nikhil and family and put shagun in Nikhil's jholi.

INT. LOBBY - EVENING

The whole family is sitting with relatives.

NARESH poore teen lakh me mani hai biradri BALAK RAM koi baat nahin beta, saari kasar nikal degi, IAS hai

All laugh

NARESH (to nikhil)) o yaar deepti?

NIKHIL pata chala hai usne to shadi bhi karli, apni jaat biradri mein

fade out.