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Chapter 591: Fighting for the Lotus

"What are you doing here?" Yodha asked as soon as he neared Sam.

"This is the reason I came here?" Sam said as he pointed at the Lake.

"For the lake?"

"No, for the Magma Lotus." When Yodha heard that he was stunned for a second before asking.

"How do you know that?"

"I didn't know until now," Sam said with a shrug.

Yodha also chuckled and said.

"It would be difficult. The lake is infested with a lot of Lava Slime and only Pretranscendent stage cultivators come here.

The information about the plants inside the Lake and even about the lake is completely confidential, I didn't even know how you find out. But I would be hard for you to get into the lake much less get the lotus. After all, all the other plants have multiple units inside the lake but there would only be one lotus."

"Why do you guys so much information? It is almost like you come here often or if it is your backyard. How do you know that there is only one lotus?"

"We have maps and info from the previous expeditions and this is common information. In fact, the teams of six nations come only for this. It is almost like farmers claiming the harvest. Every time, only a handful of people come here individually and they too wouldn't gain much. That is why they didn't bother with you."

"What are you guys after?"

Sam asked casually.

"Actually all the six teams are after the same thing, the main goal is the lotus. And only one from each team will go after it, the rest of us will go for the slimes. They are actually a great fertilizer for the fire elemental herbs and every year the imperial garden uses them.

The herb expert of the imperial court even found a great method to refine them properly.

So, we have to collect the slime off of the beasts after killing them."

"As far as I know it is hard to preserve them. If you don't collect the slime in a fraction of seconds as soon as you hit the core, the slime will die out with the core. Good luck with that." Sam said with a smile.

He is not that interested in the slimes, they do have some uses, but not to the point he wanted to fight for them. If he wants he can grow them and have a constant harvest of these slimes, he doesn't even have to kill.

But after thinking like that, he suddenly felt that it is not that bad to catch a couple of them alive and grow them.

He put a stop to his train of thoughts, he looked at Yodha and asked.

"What are you guys waiting for?"

"They waited for the Mov empire and the Flavos empire teams. The flavos got into some trouble and we helped them there and we came late. And the real extraction will only take place on the twentieth day.

It will take only ten days to go back to the entrance, after all, so we will wait for some of the individual cultivators to come and the teams recruit them to harvest the slimes and the other flowers. While the leaders go for the Lotus.

You want to join?"

"No need, I don't want any association with the Mov empire, just like your leader said. But do tell him to stay away from me, when I extract the lotus. I cannot guarantee anyone's safety."

"Are you that confident?"

"You haven't seen half of me. You will understand why I said that soon enough."

With that, Sam smiled and started using his eye technique along with the light element to zoom and look at the lake. The thermal vision wouldn't work and in fact, it would blind his eyes. But his light element could.

He tried to change the frequency of the light to see if he can get a glimpse of the lake all the while talking to Yodha.

He did get a blurry sight at one point and he tried the frequency near it and after some tries, he was able to get a barely comprehensible image. And that too because of the eye technique's accuracy in differentiating the energy waves.

He decided to call this method energy vision. This is a lot like thermal vision but the only difference is it shows the spiritual energy density instead of the temperature.

And in this energy vision, he could faintly outline the energies of the plants on the surface of the lake and the slimes under the surface of the lake, but what surprised him is that there are three energies that are showing some seriously high readings and there is a forth energy which is faint and that is only because it is too far from the range.

He looked at the teams and stopped responding to Yodha's words.

Yodha asked.

"What happened?"

"You guys better prepare. If you really only send a single Pre-transcendent to that place, you will have some serious trouble."

"What do you mean? What trouble?" I don't know exactly what it is, but I think it is better to be cautious."

Sam didn't say anything more. Because two out of those four energies don't belong to the Slimes. Even though he is not familiar with the slimes and the energy vision, there are too many slimes around to compare and he is pretty sure that those two are not slimes.

"Do you know if there are any other creatures apart from the Slimes?" Sam asked to confirm.

"No. the slimes are the only things that live in here. Why?"

"Nothing. But I think you should really be careful. If something happens, don't go to the lotus immediately. Wait for two to three minutes and then move."

Sam only left these words and didn't say anything more. He decided to make his move after the teams did.

He just sat on a rock nearby and meditated as he tried the ripple style.

Days passed and the influx of the individual cultivators stopped only on the eighteenth day. No one came on the nineteenth and the teams already started recruiting.

But Sam saw some familiar faces here.

They are Akhil and another guy from the Usaine sect. He is also a Player. Apart from Arkiv, there are two players in the Usaine sect because of their diverse nature of experts and the vast amount of influence they wielded. He heard from Arkiv that they escaped to other major powers before the attack.

That too because of Sam's warning to Arkiv who passed it on to them.

This person is a strong fire element user and he is the only one who doesn't have to use external means and pills to stay here even though he is a Nascent stage cultivator.

He and Akhil seemed to have come together and the rest of the candidates are nowhere to be seen. After all not everyone has the same freedom as Sam in this place. Some of the players are even waiting for the three-year time period to be over to escape their current situation.

They did get a chance at the Palace of Inheritance and they got some benefits from the Imperial families, but they lost their freedom and cannot go to events like these.

Both the players are completely focused on Sam.

Sam only smiled at them once.

Finally, the time has come for raiding the lake and every team got ready with the new recruits that joined them in the past few days.

When all of them are walking towards the lake, the Lava slimes are also slowly rising in the pools. The glow dimmed a bit. They can only use that glowing effect to a full extent when they are completely inside the lava. If not, the effect would reduce.

The beasts didn't come to directly attack though, they are still inside the lake and only a small part of them showed up on the surface. If someone saw them for the first time like this, they will think the Lava level rose in this lake.

Sam also walked after all the teams went forward and the two players followed him.

They are not too interested in the treasures of the lake, at least one of them. But stopping Sam is more important for them. The teams took out some metal rafts and placed on the Lake. They seemed to have been made from a special alloy. Sam still didn't move and the slimes too didn't move.

Only after they entered a few meters into the lake, the lava slimes finally had a reaction. They sprung up and started shooting Lava out of their mouths.

The people also started dodging and the leaders of the six teams only have one thing on their minds, they didn't even bother dodging and let their subordinates block them. After all, there is not much space on the rafts, so all they can do is blocking mostly and only a few people can dodge.

But the situation soon changed, the team members started throwing raft after raft into the pool.

And jumped on to them, so that they could have more fighting space.

As for why they are not using some fire-type beasts, they tried but it didn't work. Of course, they were able to avoid the attacks on the beasts, but the slimes couldn't be killed with the spells and long-range attacks easily. They have to do melee combat to be efficient, if they are focused on flying-type beasts, they will be shot down and they wouldn't be able to react due to the natural cover of the Lava to the slimes.

As for normal beasts, they would die as soon as they entered the Lava.

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Sam just waited as he watched the battles, the six leaders split up from the common rafts and jumped to the newly thrown rafts as they rode on them further into the lake. They started attacking the slimes that are on their way as they made their way.

Due to the constant battle, the blinding light has reduced to a mere faint glow and they can see the things on the lake. There is a region of the lake on which there are a lot of flowers all bloomed and ready to be plucked.

In the middle of all these flowers, there is a large lotus as big as a large bucket glowing with red and golden patterns all over.

Around it, there are many small flowers that could grow in the lava along with some vines that could be seen here and there.

Sam stood at the edge of the lake as he looked at the scene and the team leaders slowly reached the region where the vegetation is growing.

The remaining pre-transcendent stage cultivators of every team are in charge of collecting the Lava slime bodies and the other flowers that are in different areas of the lake.

They are all snatching the resources and it didn't take long before some fights broke out between different teams. They are not the main members though, it is the extra members they hired at the lake.

Sam watched all of this casually. Except for the Pre-transcendent stage cultivators, there are barely any Nascent stage cultivators on the lake.

The few Nascent stage cultivators that are here are the extra members recruited. As for the Nascent stage members who originally belongs to the team didn't come near the lake. They are afraid that they would be killed here and since all of them are from prominent families, they love their lives too much to take any risk.

And Lava slime is also a tricky beast to handle though. Their powers are not strong, their attacks can almost be considered weak among the Pre-transcendent stage beasts.

Their attacks are at the Nascent stage only and as for the defense that is the trickiest one, particularly in this Lava.

They can blend in and the attack that landed on any part of the body other than the mouth and the core are useless as they wouldn't even hurt the beast.

If they can land some clean hits, even a Late-stage Nascent can kill an Initial stage Pre-transcendent stage beast. If they cannot, even Pre-transcendent stage cultivators cannot kill a Nascent stage beast.

At this moment, Sam is watching the effects of this. The Lava slimes are all attacking, but they are not looking to directly hurt them. They are just trying to make sure that they don't have anywhere to dodge and lose balance so that they would fall in the Lava.

Once they are inside, it is their territory. They will get some good nutrition.

Many Pre-transcendent stage cultivators are falling and they are trying their best of emerging back on the rafts.

Some who managed to do that lost their legs or hands in the process. It would be hard for them to recover too and that is if they have any chance of recovering.

Since they became burdens and there is not much comradery, they are being thrown back into the lake as bait so that the rest of them could have some time.

In the whole harvesting team, only a few people have safety and they are the archers that are on the bank of the lake.

Since the people on the lake are distracting the beasts, the archers are trying their luck to hurt the beasts. And kill them by shooting their cores down.

But it is not that easy. They could at most create some breathing space for their companions on the lake.

As things are like this, the six-team leaders are close to reaching the region of the lake with the most vegetation. But just when they were about to do it, their rafts suddenly got stuck in the place, the Lava around the rafts seemed to have a jelly-like substance as it enveloped the rafts and fixed them in the place.

The six leaders are trying their best to move, but they couldn't. At this moment, two mouths appeared before them.

They are the two Lava slime leaders and they are the two of the four that Sam is wary about. But when they appeared though, he was shocked and so did everyone else.

The aura of this beast is at the very peak of the Pre-transcendent stage and is close to breaking through the transcendent stage. But that is not the most shocking though. The two mouths are actually connected to a single body and there are two cores floating extremely near to each other.

The two Lava slimes have a single body and their power is not as simple as two powers added together.

The team leaders felt extremely strange. The mouths started throwing lava at them at an incredible rate and they have no place to dodge. When they tried to throw another raft to the side and land on it, as soon as the raft appeared the Lava Slime already used its body to grab a hold of it.

They are in quite some trouble. They are close to the cores, but they couldn't hit. The body of this creature is so thick and dense than a normal Lava slime and it is more transparent too. That is why they could see see cores hovering around the body as they kept on missing their target.

Seeing this, Sam smiled and turn around to face the two of his fellow players.

"Want to do it now or want to do it after I got the lotus?"

"You are speaking as if you can get the lotus." The fire element player scoffed.

"You are Agun right?"

"Yes."

"If you are so confident, then let us wait until I come back from the lake, if I don't come back, your mission will be easy and if I do come back with the lotus, you can fight me and take it and if I came back with anything, I will lose the game anyway.

Don't you think so?"

"Don't let him. I think it is better to hold him up here." Akhil said from the side.

"Why?" Agun asked with a frown.

"He is a tricky guy."

"If you cannot give a proper reason, then don't bother saying anything," Agun said to Akhil and then turned to Sam before saying. "I am okay with it."

Then Sam once again turned around to look at the lake with a smile.

"Are you not going in?"

"It is not time yet."

As the six leaders fought with the weird slime and finally gained some foothold and tried to beat it, one of them suddenly felt like a raft being dragged down and fell into the lava.

"Ahhhh... AHHHHH." He started screaming as he tried to get back, but before all the leaders' eyes, they could see some sort of vine coiling his legs and pulling him back into the lava, and soon there is no movement left.

The six leaders felt chilled and they noticed that some other vines are coming and they took another raft to fall back.

Only after coming back did they heave a sigh of relief as the range of vine is not too large.

Sam who is on the bank used his energy vision to see what is going on he could identify the four presences he felt the other day are all out in the open.

The six leaders stood on the safety and started fighting from a long-range. For some reason, even Lava slime with two cores is also not coming too far away from the Lotus. So they are trying their luck from the long-range. But to their dismay, they could do minimum damage.

Watching this Sam smiled and took out a breathing device and wore it. It is not a device that could cover his eyes, only the mouthpiece is there.

His body started circulating energy as he glowed with gold light. He swiftly entered the full light elemental fusion. As he entered that state, he slowly walked back a few meters, before dashing forward, and just when he was on the edge of the lake his whole body transformed into a beam of light as he kicked off the edge and launched himself.

When he reached a certain distance from the jump, he turned himself into a light beam as he shot himself to the place where the large Lava slime is present and just before the beast could react and attack the beam of light, Sam halted in mid-air and floated for a fraction of second and landed on the harbinger he took out.

The Slime and the wine were caught off guard and so were the leaders at the present. Sam didn't stop though, he took an energy cell of the water element and threw it straight into Large Lava slime. The energy fluctuations distracted the Lava slime and it didn't focus on Sam and he used his window to zoom past the beast and arrived right above the lotus.

But the vines didn't leave him though, they started launching towards him and all he can do is try to dodge them on the hoverboard. He didn't go for the lotus immediately because he knew that it wouldn't end well the vine is still here. As he was playing like this, the energy cell in the Lava slime exploded causing it the necessary damage.

Even though it only attacked the slime body and the cores are moved as far as the slime could, the main damage happened to the mouths of the body through which the slime wanted to extract the energy cell outside.

The explosion of water element energy deep within the only tangible part of its body made it go on a mini rampage and blast the Lava everywhere and this affected the vines that are extremely close to it.

Sam didn't know where the vines are from, but he didn't care. He used this opportunity to take out a smoke grenade full of hydra poison vapors and blasted it on the vines near him.

At this moment, unless he decided to use a large energy cell blast he has no hope of ending these creatures as they are deep within the lake. The lava is a great obstruction. But he didn't need to kill them, that is why as he used the poison bomb on the remaining meager amount of vines, he dove deep and tried to pluck the lotus.

But it is quite tough and didn't come easily.

He used his eye technique to see if there is any obstruction and when found the stem of the lotus connected to the root, he gritted his teeth and transformed the light fusion to the fire fusion, and dove into the lake before he started breaking the thick stem. After some futile attempts and the increasing pressure of Lava, he placed his arm on the stem and disintegrated it bit by bit and he pulled the lotus to the divine dimension as he emerged to the surface.

But he didn't have time to be delighted as he was surrounded by the angry vines and all coming for him. They didn't even care about the damage the rampaging Lava slime is doing to them, they just wanted to deal with him to get the lotus back.

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Chapter 593: Surrounded by dumb things

Sam didn't worry too much about the vines, though. His main worry is the lava lake itself. Even though he is using the fire elemental fusion and his golden flames are far stronger, this golden lava's heat far greater and it is trying to devour his body whole. He is trying his best to control and stay intact.

When the vines are moving and trying to catch him, he was able to move freely. As he looked at the vines, he could see the traces of the hydra's poison. He didn't expect too much from it and he is not counting on the poisoning, rather he wanted to test the limits of the physical corrosion and it seems like it has little effect.

He dove deeper into the pool and took out another energy cell. This one is cylindrical in shape and also water elemental in nature. But it is not too big. He destabilized it and rammed it straight into the bed of the lake.

After that, he came out directly and leaped up. He tried his best to move away from the vine place. The vine also noticed that there is something wrong because of the energy waves under the lake and felt distracted.

Sam took this situation to his advantage and directly came out and took out his harbinger before the explosion could happen and deactivated his fusion.

He is extremely exhausted and even his feather coat is damaged a lot, even though the feathers are unaffected the metal threads binding it are almost completely destroyed. It is nearly falling apart. Sam quickly put the feather coat in the storage and started riding the board almost butt naked.

Then the energy cell blasted and the water element explosion affected the roots of the wine and the Lava riled up.

The slimes and the vines are going berserk.

Everything happened in a flash and the cultivators on the rafts are all looking at the scene stunned.

Sam did everything in less than two minutes. There is no break. As he exited the zone of these Slime kings and the vines, Sam finally slowed down a bit and took some clothes out to cover himself.

Before the Pre-transcendent leaders and the rest of the cultivators could realize, he is already half-way towards the bank of the lake.

The cultivators soon reacted and started throwing attacks at Sam. But as soon as he covered himself with a cloak, Sam didn't even delay for a single second. He took out the wine gourd and drank the heavenly wine greedily as he zoomed past all of them at an extreme speed.

The Harbinger is moving at its top speed and the opponents could try all they can to catch him.

The two players Akhil and Agun who are standing on the bank looked at Sam with their mouths wide open. The battle on the lake has been going on for almost an hour, but Sam just went in and two minutes later he is already out and he is escaping.

Before leaving, Sam made eye-contact with Agun and smirked as he sped up.

The people started abandoning the lake and tried to come back to the bank. They wanted to chase Sam. But it is not that easy. The players also started running after him. The fastest of all is Akhil because he has a fire-type mount that could run in this heat.

This is a perk of him being an elite of the beast faction. They prepared mounts for the elites for different situations and a fire-type mount is a common thing.

He started chasing after Sam, but no matter how fast he went, he wasn't able to catch up.

The cultivators inside the lake are coming one after the other and trying their best to come out of the lake and started running.

But after chasing for half-a-day, there is no trace. Even the mounts are of no use. They couldn't do anything.

Without any results, they all regrouped and started discussing how to deal with this situation. Since the lotus is all their common target, they decided to work together.

"Does he have a map to go to the entrance directly?" The rubrum empire team's leader asked.

"How would we know that?" Someone replied.

"Of course, we don't know, but the Mov empire team should have known about that. After all, that guy is their soldier."

Everyone focused on them and the leader of the Mov empire felt a bit frustrated. He doesn't know how to react immediately and at this moment, he grit his teeth and said.

"He has nothing to do with Mov empire."

"What do you mean, he has nothing to do with the Mov empire? He is a war hero, he got his accolades directly from the Mov emperor. At this moment, he is an Instructor in the Mirage city Navy. You don't tell me that he is not one of yours. If you guys really don't treat him like one of yours with all his contributions, then who is going to be considered yours.

God, I thought that the Mov empire has some standards."

This one is another Pre-transcendent stage cultivator from the rubrum empire.

Everyone once again looked towards Mov empire.

"He is one of us, yes. But he came to this expedition independently and caught the lotus independently. As for the question you asked, no he didn't have any map on him. He explored his way all over to the lake and he went on his own way." This time no one tried to argue anymore, because the one who talked is Yodha.

Everyone knows, he has a temper and he doesn't care who the other person is. So, they just sucked it up with some cocky expressions as if they have won making them admit Sam is one of theirs.

"Then let us, use the map and go back to the entrance where we would be able to capture him." One of them suggested.

"But he is too fast. Whatever he used, it is not just there for a show and it is not a normal thing. We don't know anything about that board he used and he just zoomed past everyone. What if he reached the entrance before everyone else?"

Everyone went into deep thought at these words and at this moment, someone from the Flavos empire spoke.

"I have a suggestion." Everyone focused on him as he took out a map and laid it out on a table in this temporary camp.

"From the lake, he has three obvious routes that surely indicate that they can lead to the entrance and all three of them are long routes. But judging from his speed, he could definitely make it within the ten days.

But we can take a shortcut and try to intercept him in this route."

"What is so special about intercepting from this route you indicated? It is all the same."

"No, it is not." The person replied and started explaining the plan and soon the rest of the members realized that this plan might work.

After the plan was explained and few adjustments were made everyone spilt up and started moving in different directions. All the people combined and formed three teams and moved in three different directions.

They are taking all the shortcuts they can and reached their destined locations and used the herbs they collected to make some preparations.

While they are doing that, Sam is moving on the harbinger after he travelled till the night in a straight line, he stopped at a spot to get dressed. He can't wear his coat and his metal pants are also gone. He picked a new dress and wore his regular black vest. Had dinner with wine and recovered as much as he can before restarting his journey.

He traveled for four days straight, and his journey is smooth sailing. Except for the hot and searing breeze on his face.

He didn't bother about any other herbs or any other creatures that he encountered. Some people stopped him to get their hands on the Harbinger, but he finished the fights in an instant as long as it is Nascent stage cultivators who did that.

As for the Pre-transcendent stage cultivators, they could wish for better luck to catch up with his speed.

On the fifth day, while Sam is going through a canyon; all of a sudden something directly lunged at him from a small rock cliff from the side and he came to a halt as he tried to dodge.

He stopped there and saw a black and gold thing that is standing up clumsily with chaotic energy waves coming out of it.

The whole body is made of the Golden Lava except for some small portion that is visible which is made of black rock in random places. This is a Lava Golem. He frowned at this appearance all of a sudden. He heard that there are these golems present, but he didn't encounter one all this while.

He was examining it as he hadn't seen a naturally formed golem before, but he clearly didn't have time because, a lot of golems are jumping down one after the other from either side of the cliffs.

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Sam still hovered on the harbinger as he dodged the falling golems with a peculiar look. Even though he didn't see a lot of golems and particularly not the naturally formed one, to the best of his knowledge, he knew they wouldn't fall mindlessly like that.

He wanted to just go straight away from the canyon, but he was stunned by what he saw. Because a giant golem came rolling down. It is ten times larger than the rest of the golems and it blocked the canyon's entrance.

He wanted to go back, but another golem came there which is of the same size and blocked that way too. He didn't expect something like this to happen and wanted to increase the altitude and getaway. But then there came some beasts on top of the canyon. They are bird-type fire elemental beasts.

Sam frowned at this. As he tried to increase the altitude, the birds are launching at him as if they are catching a chick. He felt extremely annoyed because the number of them is too large and they are both Pre-transcendent and Nascent stage ones.

He was being attacked by the golems and the birds at the same time. This is something he didn't expect.

He didn't think this thing is coincidental though.

As he was thinking that and was hovering at the maximum altitude he can and trying to dodge the birds and find his way out, he saw some familiar faces behind the large golem that is throwing lava at him.

They are two teams of people. One of them is the rubrum empire and the other is of another nation that he doesn't know, but their scales black.

He frowned at this. He didn't expect these people would beat him to this spot and even set such a trap on top of that.

The team members looked at him and smirked. Particularly the team leader of the rubrum empire.

"There is no way out for you. These things wouldn't get out of the valley anytime soon and they wouldn't let you get away easily. Particularly, when they are sure that is in that canyon but it is not present and you are the only foreign presence that is there which will automatically make their dumb brains think that you are the one that stole it.

Good luck getting out of that. Even with your extremely practical and fast toy, I highly doubt you would be able to do that."

Sam raised an eyebrow when he looked at their cocky expressions as if they have one. He doesn't know what they used to lure these creatures into this canyon at the exact same time, he entered it, but they sure did a great job.

He is sure that if it is anyone normal they would have definitely had a hard time getting out of here. But they don't realize, that Sam is not anyone.

Sam looked at them for a second and once again reduced his altitude. The birds are the most pestering at this moment. They are called Flame owls. Their talons are extremely sharp and they can secrete fire poison through them.

Even though Sam has experience with that and fire poison has the word 'poison' in it, it is not a normal poison and the hydra bloodline wouldn't do anything to it. Golden crow's bloodline will help him absorb it, but the process will want to make him cut the part where it is infected rather than absorb. It would be that painful.

As for the golems, they are just mindless brutes and if not for their numbers and the size of their leaders, he wouldn't have any problem getting away at this moment.

He decreased his altitude and dove deep into the valley. He took out the two handguns and started shooting at the golems. Every golem, whether it is a natural one or an artificial one will have a core and once it is hit, it would be done for.

And unlike the Lava slime, it cannot move the core as it wished.

Sam barraged to golems with bullets with his two handguns as he tried to identify the core's location and soon both the golems fell. Sam noticed the location and the first thing he wanted to do was to reduce the numbers.

He changed the bullets and used the energy cell bullets and started shooting. A Grade-5 Golems that are equivalent to the Nascent stage are down for one hit. They don't have enough intelligence to even dodge. As for the Grade-6 ones, he was able to do it for a few more hits. As for two bosses, he would need an energy cell the size of an RPG to get through that and he doesn't have one.

And they don't even have any rage for the loss of their kin.

After reducing their numbers by a bit, Sam aimed his guns at the owls. He didn't aim for their heads though, he aimed for their wings. They might be fast and they might be fierce, but they are birds and they need wings to fly.

And when they got hit, they started falling down.

As he was doing this, Sam also started taking hits from the golems and the long-range attacks of the Lava and fire from both the golems and birds.

But he cared little about that. He tried his best to dodge and he let the rest hit him and he tried his best to defend.

When the birds fell, the golems got distracted and started getting to them. For the golems, the birds are not allies, but just another source of energy they could absorb to survive and since such a thick piece of meaty resource fell in the middle of them, they started tearing them apart and absorbing the energy and lifeforce from them.

These are the only two things these golems need and they are taking it.

Sam smirked at this because the leaders of these owls are not as dumb as the golems. They might be dumb enough to be manipulated by some Nagas, but they have enough sentience and instincts to attack the one who is hurting their kin the most.

In their eyes, Sam's attacks that only damaged their wings are not the worst, the golems that are tearing them apart and absorbing them are the worst of the two, and most of their aggression was diverted at them.

Sam got the breathing space he needed and he went down the valley and entered the divine dimension for a second, before coming back. He didn't do that as soon as he was surrounded because he was afraid that the divine dimension would end up in the belly of a bird or get stuck in the body of a golem if he did that. But now that both parties are engaged, he was fine with it.

When the two teams beyond the large golem saw this, they were stunned, they didn't expect that something like this would happen.

They couldn't see what Sam is using and they couldn't see, but what they could see is that some birds started falling off and now the golems and the birds started fighting.

Even the bosses of both sides are engaged and at this moment, they saw Sam once again. He is battered and ragged with some blood escaping his mouth and his clothes burned off as they became a little more than rags just now.

But he is smiling at the six cultivators with a lot of mischief in his eyes and he zoomed past the large golem which is currently fighting with the bird king and took out two glass bottles before throwing them onto the teams all of a sudden.

A golden-green liquid was spilled on them and they were stunned for a second before they could react to what it is, they noticed that it has a lot of fire elemental energy in it and the energy is extremely dense and easy to absorb.

All of them recognized the effects because they knew what it was, it was the juice made out of the stem of the lotus.

The lotus is born from the absorption of a lot of fire elemental energy, in fact, the fire elemental energy of the whole volcanic region. It is even beneficial for transcendent stage cultivators and generally, it would go for those cultivators when the teams harvest it.

But they do get the leftover, like this stem. When they saw Sam throwing such a precious resource at them, they became furious, but before they could express their anger, they realized what is happening. This type of resource is too precious and tempting for the creatures in the region and if not for the slime and the intensity of the Lava that makes these beasts cower in fear, they would have gone for the Lotus themselves. But now that such a lotus fragrance was coming from these people, they would surely not give up the chance and then they saw the golem king and the bird king, both halting and making their way towards the six members.

The six of them didn't become extremely panicky though, they are fine for a moment, but they suddenly sensed something and turned around and what greeted them is Sam aiming his guns at them.

He shot twelve bullets in total before they could react and all the twelve bullets are energy cells and every one of them was targeted on the limbs and joints.

The six members were injured and they lost a pretty good chunk of their flesh from their bodies as one arm and one leg for each has been injured.

Their eyes turned wide in horror.

"Since you guys wanted to set me up, you must have been prepared for this."

Sam left these words and left and the six Pre-transcendent elite Nagas are left with a horde of golems and owls to deal with in their injured states.

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Chapter 595: Smuggled out

Sam moved slowly on the harbinger as he watched the desperate fight they are putting against the golem kings and the Owl Kings.

With all the trump cards they will have, they would surely get out of there, and about that, Sam is sure. But getting out in one piece and without any traumatic damage, would be hard to achieve.

He didn't have any other obstructions and just rode on the board as he reached the entrance in the next three days.

There are many people coming out of the place. After all the one-month time is about to be up. Apart from that, there would be a ten-day grace period. Even though this one month is the only permissible time for others to enter the

region, it doesn't mean the rest of the time the entry is barred and the region wouldn't turn into an Inferno hell in just a single day. The ten days before and ten days after, are the time periods the people can barely survive in the region.

They cannot fight, they cannot explore and the beasts would be more active than normal, they could barely use all they got and try to come out of it. But even after coming out, they will have to suffer some serious injuries caused just by the environment.

As for why this became relevant, the six representatives of the six empires are not letting the people that already came out to go on their own ways.

And they even used an excuse of counting the survivors and also organizing an exchange event after the end to trade the gains. Most of them are happy to oblige, but not all of them. Because the real gains came to the people that fought for them, and the people who didn't want to stay here mostly got into a fight with some big-wigs.

If they stayed here until the end and the scions they fought with come out, then they will have some serious trouble.

They were all forced to stay in a special inn and even the transcendent stage cultivators are guarding there. But since they are so subtle and indirect about it, no one can even find words to argue. Sam also didn't want to make a scene. The people who are after him will definitely make it out within the next two days and he has to get out of this.

He cannot get any support from the Mov empire team, except for Yodha and no matter how privileged his identity is, he is only one man and his father is definitely not going to come and back Sam up at this moment.

The lotus will make his situation worse

He is laying on the bed in his room of the Inn and all of a sudden someone came and knocked on his door.

He opened it and saw an unfamiliar man in front of him, but there is some kind of familiarity about him.

"Buck?" Sam asked with a frown and an extremely confused expression. Even though he felt that the man in front of him is Buck, the face is not the same and he couldn't see any form of physical disguise techniques.

The face looked as real as it could get.

"You are good, you recognized me. How did you do that?"

"Smell," Sam replied.

"Smell?"

"My senses are different from others. My sense of smell is five-time better than others. I might not be able to trace you but I can catch the smell if you are near me. What are you doing here?"

"Taking you out of course. Do you think that everyone who agreed easily joined this like to stay here after all this? This is not the first time they did this and this place is my business point for more than seven years.

All the cultivators who don't want to stay but are still staying here are all my clients. Get ready by midnight. We are leaving. I will come and pick you."

"What if they find out? Since they are doing this every year and you are doing this every year and also it seems like you are quite successful. Don't tell me, they didn't take precautions against this."

"Of course, they did. But taking measures and those measures having an effect on my work are two different things. Until they find out the way I am taking you out there, then there is nothing they could about it."

"If you are that confident, then okay. I will wait to see your performance."

Sam went back to bed and waited. When it was time, he got ready to leave and there is a knock on the door at the exact moment.

Buck is standing there and along with him, three more people are standing there. They are also people who want to get out of here.

"One four?" Sam asked in confusion.

"No, I am taking twelve people in total and the rest of them already moved."

"What are we waiting for then? Let us go."

"There is something I need to do before that." With that Buck went into the room and he seemed to have been laying down a formation and took out a weird-looking plant.

He came out and closed the door, when Sam scanned the room with the spiritual sense he couldn't see much difference. He could feel a presence of a person that is at the nascent level.

"Disguise technique. I am good at it."

With that, he led the four of them down the stairs and led them to another room. He led all four of them inside that room and removed a floor tile before shoving them inside.

Then reappeared on the door next door and at this moment, there is another person waiting on the other side of the tunnel. After five of them are out, that person went back into the tunnel.

"Where is he going?" One of the three asked him in confusion.

"To take care of the tunnel."

"How did the tunnel go unnoticed all this while? Surely, they would have noticed such a large movement if something is going on like that when they put so many people in this inn." This time it is Sam who asked the question.

But he didn't get an answer except for the gesture that he would explain later.

Buck gestured them and they walked into the building which seemed like a warehouse. There the five of them changed into a different set of clothes before Buck taking out a few amulets and giving them.

"They are hard to make and they are only good for a few minutes, so hold it in your hands and don't activate them before I tell you. Be careful."

With that he led them outside and then they walked out of the compound and walked to the road directly and they are walking towards the end of the street.

When they were a few feet before the turn, Buck slowly said under his breath.

"Activate the amulets now."

When the four of them entered the spiritual energy inside, they felt like a weird aura was enveloping them.

When the guards at the end of the street stopped them, Buck took out a badge and explained something. The guards scanned them with their spiritual sense and let them go.

They walked out and went through some streets before going to a neighborhood that could lead them directly into the nearby forest. They are making their way out of the city and are going to take a hidden route to the Hot spring city and from there, they are going to the seashore.

The journey is smooth sailing as, by the next afternoon, they were out and when they reached the port city they docked on, they were shoved into some fish boxes and boarded on to the ship and were only let out after they left the waters. "So, are you going to explain how you did this?" Sam asked. Now they are both alone and no one else is there to eavesdrop.

"It is my business secret, but judging from what I see you are not interested in this business. But since you are my treasured partner, I will reveal you a little bit of info.

"The tunnel was not dug during the expedition. But it was dug way before this whole situation. The man who went back into the tunnel was the one who did it and before the inspection happened, the tunnel was already there. But they wouldn't inspect that room so intently because that man is there for more than a month before the expedition and he is the seafood supplier of the inn.

So, they wouldn't let the six representatives bully him too much and cut some slack. And the warehouse we entered is also his. And both he and his possessions are mine.

He is my subordinate and he runs a seafood business in this area. And since for every year at this time, the business is high, his company has to send some expensive live fish to the inn and so he would stay there to supervise everything regarding them.

And I used my tricks to disguise the tunnel to escape from the mediocre inspection. That is how you guys got out.

Now the news will get out that you guys escaped and the guards will spread out and the leash on the inn will be reduced a bit. Because, every time their immediate response is to not check the escape method, rather finding the escapees.

So, before that happens, he will close the tunnel and erase every trace of it as he is the last suspect due to the guarantee of the inn's owner. That is the gist of it. Even though it sounds impossible and non-plausible and there might be a lot of loose ends in the story. My main expertise is in tying those loose ends and if I reveal those tricks to you, I will have an extra competitor."

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Chapter 596: Hard stand

Sam came back to Mov without a single hiccup and when they were about to reach Mirage city, Buck once again came to talk to Sam. This time, he came with a spatial ring.

"Here are the items you wanted. Everything, the Flavos empire can offer in terms of metal are inside this thing."

Sam took the ring and checked it before saying.

"Why did you only give it to me now?"

"I didn't carry it on me all this while, some people were tasked to carry it and they gave it to me in the last stop."

"Why?"

"Do you really think these things are easy to get? The mining of metals is done in an entirely different way than you could ever imagine. They wouldn't dare to exchange the metal for money directly anywhere near the Flavos' waters.

That is why we had to take a detour. Otherwise, I would have dropped those people in Mirage city and let them go on their way. Even my close associates don't know about this deal and I used dropping those guys as a cover-up."

Sam smiled and said.

"You really are capable. How did you get your hands on these things?"

"You really think I would say it out loud?"

Sam shook his head slightly and stared into the horizon as he looked at the Mirage city they are approaching. It is beautiful to look at.

Buck also enjoyed the view as the sun is setting and said.

"You know, it has been a long time since I made a deal of this scale. I stopped smuggling the metals and herbs a long time ago. Particularly the military-grade things. I almost got caught once and then I lost my fleet and almost lost my life when I was doing the biggest deal of my life."

Sam looked at him and took two wine jars and offered him one before asking.

"What happened?"

"I used to have a rule that I wouldn't deal with the imperials and royals. But one of my subordinates who I took a liking to and wanted to make him my successor got drunk with the authority I gave him and made a deal with an imperial prince. And he only told me after the deal is made. If we back away from that now, the prince would deal with us directly.

The prince had a mole in the ranks of another empire's imperial farmland and got some special herbs from them, my task is to transport them without any problem. The empire we took from had a rather good emperor that he noticed something was off and caught the mole and sent a fleet on our trial. I had a rather large fleet and tried my best to divert them and finally completed the objective.

But when we handed over, we got fucked. The imperial prince my subordinate made a deal with and another imperial prince of the empire where the herbs are from, the one who is chasing us on the sea are together and they wanted to throw the blame on a third party while they take the goods.

So, we got caught and while escaping almost all my crew has died. Only a few people survived and they left the trade."

"Then why did you agree to such a deal with me? You are even being the intermediary to buy the objects."

"I don't know actually. After that deal, no one came to me with a deal of your scale and the ones that came to me with military or nobility-related deal are all simple they didn't interest me. But the deal you gave me, made me want to test my expertise of this whole life.

At the same time, I had a dream. I wanted to have my own shipping company with the best ships and retire peacefully as I roam all over the world on those ships in relaxation without any anxiety of getting caught.

But every time, I take a step towards that goal, my old smuggler habits are kicking in. I couldn't save enough money to reach the goal. But since you are giving me a fleet directly, I might be able to pull it off and retire."

"Are you sure it is just your smuggling habits that stopped you from owning a fleet? You can still save money and all it needs is having a large enough to store all those spirit stones."

"Well, there are many other things, but I would like to keep it for myself."

They arrived at the city before it was completely dark. And Sam went to his resort. While Buck followed.

The next day, he reported to the Navy base and went for a training session. The first batch of the puppets is out and they only need to be assembled properly. So, Sam went on to show them how to assemble and train them properly.

He even organized a small tournament to select the first batch of flatfish puppet troops.

One week passed and Yodha finally made his appearance with the rest of the team. And to his surprise, they directly stormed into Sam's cottage.

Sam who is cooking something for himself looked at the team members who came and said coldly.

"You better have a proper explanation regarding this, otherwise you would wish you were dead."

"How dare you threaten a prince?" The prince in the group directly tried to pull one over Sam.

Sam looked at him and it is a gaze full of disdain and disregard. He looked at Yodha and said.

"You are the only reason, they are still standing here. Tell them to get the fuck out if they don't have anything to say."

"Handover the lotus." The leader of the team barked.

"Then you can just fuck off directly without wasting my time."

"I demand you hand over the lotus, or else you will be punished for insubordination." The leader of the team tried to pull his rank.

"And who said I would give a fuck about that. Go and file a complaint and see if anyone tries to take action. First, they will curse you till yours bleed and then they will tell you that your rank can be shoved up your ass for all they care because I don't take orders from you dipshit." Sam grew more and more impatient.

He turned to Yodha and said.

"Tell them to get the fuck out of this place right now. They are blacklisted from using any of the services that come from me, my resort or any other product that comes from the Dusk organization that includes the current and any future partnerships we have. And this will extend to all their personal and military subordinates."

Yodha was stunned and asked.

"What do you mean direct subordinates?"

"Since this hotshot wants to throw commands at me, every soldier that is under his command can forget about getting the grenades, puppets and any other weapon that I am going to sell to the military and that extends to the remaining people that are standing right in front of me except you. And as I mentioned services, they also include the training. The special division and his battalion are done for any future training programs."

There is a nascent who is the special division commander and the leader of the team who is a battalion commander in front of him at the moment. So, when Sam said this their faces paled. Particularly the special division.

They are planning for special combat training on seas and applied for Sam's time, now it is gone.

"Instructor Sam, it has nothing to do with me. I am under orders."

"And I am about to have my dinner," Sam said with an unreasonable tone.

"I, as an imperial prince order you to handover the lotus this instant, otherwise you will be arrested for insubordination and investigated. And when you are under investigation all your businesses will be taken over by the Imperial authority until you are proven innocent."

Sam didn't reply to him once again and just stopped the stove and took the dishes as he set his table and was about to eat it.

The prince got enraged by this and came forward to flip the table, just before did so, Yodha yelled.

"Stop it."

But the prince didn't listen. When Sam is about to start eating, he looked at Yodha because of the sudden shout and turned around, only for the table to be flipped. The dishes fell and the food Sam spent one hour cooking was all spilled over the floor.

Sam finally looked at the Prince with an expression other than disdain. It is a cold and emotionless expression. He stood up from his chair and stood up. He walked to another table on which the scrolls and papers are placed and wrote something, before taking out the communication device and called the Orphan One who is managing the resort.

After he came, he directly gave the paper to him and said.

"Take this to the Navy base and give it to the General who is in charge there. Tell them I am resigning. Call the rest of your three brothers. Shut down the ship manufacturing and the engine business to any military and government. Send a message to the grenade factory that we are halting the production to the military indefinitely.

All the soldiers and government officials are banned from the resort from this day on. I want these executed from tomorrow morning."

Orphan One heard everything and didn't even take a single look at the prince and the rest and went on to execute the orders.

Yodha came out of his senses and said.

"Sam, don't do something foolish."

"Foolish? You will realize that the most foolish thing you have ever seen is this prince here spilling my food."

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Chapter 597: Meeting in the Imperial Capital

Sam took out the communication token and called Buck, he even let the others listen to the conversation.

"Do you have military contacts of other empires?"

"Which empire do you want?"

"All of the other five top empires."

"Of course, I can get in touch with them."

"It would be better if they are from the Navy."

"It would be even easier if all you want is contacts in Navy."

"Okay, then. I will contact you when needed."

He hung up and looked at the prince and said.

"I know what is wrong with you. You are just another arrogant prick who thinks you are so good because all the others sing praises because you are what you are because of your father. You are jealous of a mere human who was a part of a slave race in your eyes.

You got so used to getting away with everything that, you cannot stand if someone outperforms, and rather than trying to improve yourselves, you try to put down others.

But I can understand, you are lucky to be that privileged. Otherwise, I would have skinned you alive and fed you to my mount right here and now for spilling my food."

He then turned to Yodha and said.

"I respect you as a soldier and a friend and as a person. But in this case, my stand is firm. Don't try to come and discuss something from me."

"What makes you think you can survive after doing this? You are practically committing treason. The Emperor will kill you." The team leader said in fright. He didn't expect that this small episode would end up like this.

The prince, whose face lost all the color once again lit up. But Sam looked at him directly in the eyes and said.

"What the fuck are you so happy about? Do you think you are so great in your eyes of your father and he will treat you like an apple of an eye just like all the others treat you after this? Do you think he will directly send someone to kill me after you report my 'treason'?

Think again dumbass.

Apart from the fact that you are his son and can spread his bloodline, what use do you have to him? You are not even the crown prince.

I won the war for him, you just pissed off a war hero which he rewarded personally.

I gave him a new weapon that could make him lose fewer soldiers on the battle-field and because of you, he cannot get that weapon anymore.

I gave him new ships that outclass every other ship in this world and you just made him lose those ships and deprived his navy.

I trained the best soldiers ever for his army who can destroy their enemies with negligible casualties. You have made that trainer resign.

Now, the army, Navy, and every soldier hate you and this dipshit team leader to their guts for all the loss you caused to them and even if they don't know now, I will make it so they do by tomorrow.

From a common foot soldier to a general, everyone will hate you and if your father the Emperor who is a great man in the hearts of every citizen and every soldier who cares about them, just sends an assassin to kill me because of your stupid, ungrounded arrogance, do you think they will still believe him as the great man?

Do you think, your father will make that sacrifice for a prince like you?

A prince who is not particularly good at a single thing except for using his father's name and his prince's title to get what he wants and oppress others if

he was denied what he wants? Use your brain, you piece of shit. For the food you wasted, you will regret it so much that you will never ever let food go to waste.

You have to remember that all that took to make your life miserable is a plate of poached lobster, grilled prawns, a sharkfin soup, and fried fish."

With that, he gave a glance to everyone else and said.

"Get the fuck out of my property, you guys are trespassing." Yodha also sighed with a frustrated expression as he ran out and sent ravens and pigeons to the imperial capital.

Sam also sent ravens to different places discreetly. In fact, no one knows he was the one that sent them. But the news of his actions all spread over in various military bases and Navy bases. They also got the news that their orders for the new battleships were canceled and the reason was explicitly stated that the imperial prince was trying to be hostile with him and take over his businesses forcefully.

The rumors also spread that Sam is planning to move to a different nation in 'fear' of this abuse of power. Once the soldiers knew this, the news was sent to the commoners, and the more it spread, the more exaggerated it became.

After Yodha sent the news to the Imperial capital, the emperor felt drained.

He didn't expect that another one of his children would provoke Sam again. He is already having a hard time dealing with Sam as he was too cunning and always seemed to have a backup plan.

Everything he did, he is making it public so that the emperor couldn't directly meddle and the people who provoked him whose importance was based on the public opinions are unable to do anything.

He immediately summoned his son and the rest of the team back and organized a meeting with some officials.

"The situation in the Union dimension is becoming more and more complicated and we wanted Sam's help. I even planned to have Yodha discuss it with him and the rest of the six nations also agreed to this. But now, this happened and there is no way he would have any discussion.

The rest of the nations will get the news and they will definitely eye for him now that he even stated that he wants to get out of this place.

We made a lot of diplomatic deals with the other nations based on Sam's performance in the Union dimension regarding this situation. If he was poached. Not only will we lose all the diplomatic deals we made, but we will also lose the number of weapons and the new innovations he would bring in to prosper our nation.

Just his training methods are enough for even the rubrum empire to put aside all their enmity to bring him into their ranks.

I need a solution."

There are only four people in the meeting room and they are the emperor, the imperial advisor, the Marshall and the Minister of foreign affairs.

"I would say, you can arrest him for treason and start to investigate him and try to intimidate him a bit and he himself will come to his senses, your majesty."

The minister replied and the Emperor looked at him before saying.

"And the public will think that we are really abusing our power and they will definitely not come to us if they have any ideas like Sam does. And once the public developed distaste, they will start to look for better options. That rule applies to their daily needs to their ruler.

I don't want more informers and spies popping up in my nation.

And we don't know what his backing truly is. He said he is from a different place than Naga Loka.

From what I know, he didn't come from the Interdimensional Wormhole of our planet and he didn't come from Union Dimension to assume that he came from a different planet. He just appeared out of thin air and how powerful do you think that someone that can make that happen is? We cannot take risks." The emperor replied.

"But no matter what, he shouldn't fight and threaten the imperial authority, your majesty. Otherwise, the people wouldn't respect you anymore."

"Now offering a different opinion just like you did is also a different opinion Minister. But you still get to do this? Why do you think so? Because the capable are given leeway and they should be given that leeway if you want to use their capabilities." Marshall opened his mouth in a reply to the minister's statement.

The Minister shut up and didn't say anything, then Marshall continued speaking to the Emperor.

"Why is he so drastic in his actions? What happened that made him so mad?"

"This is not the first time he was troubled by the imperial family and the first time it was not honoring his achievements and now it is trying to take back the treasure he got himself with force." He then explained what happened the first time because of his daughter.

"He seems to have some problems regarding authority and he is extremely prideful. There is no use in trying to be forceful with that kind of person, particularly when he is as talented and skilled as he is. He has too many options other than our own empire. He doesn't have to face the music from your sons and daughters when he is doing his duty without any complaints. It is best to not provoke a guy like that when he is giving you enough respect and not undermining your authority without any rhyme or reason.

Find out why the team members are forceful and get them back to him, ask them to apologize. As for whatever your son did, ask for what he wants in compensation and settle. You shouldn't go there, but you should send someone so that you show him that he is important and this situation matters to us.

Then we can discuss when to ask him about the Union dimension and the other stuff. Call your sons, daughters, and their mothers and give them a stern warning not to piss off that guy. He is an important person whether they like it or not. We finally started seeing some difference in the status quo of the six empires and we can increase our influence in the Union dimension.

If you let him slip by, you will be remembered as the biggest idiot of the whole world for the coming generations."

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Chapter 598: Crown Prince

Sam didn't know what is happening in the imperial capital, but what he does know is that he was being deliberately targeted by these imperial scions and the team that went to Flavos.

He can take it when they just separate him from their team in the Volcanic region because it is a fact that he is not from the team and he went there individually. He can even take it that they planned to attack him along with the other teams as that is for the treasure and they are still within the volcanic region.

As for the current situation, he wouldn't take it lying down. Barging in and spoiling his dinner might sound small, and his reaction might be exaggerated but he has another hunch and he wants to confirm if it was true.

He wants to see if there is anyone behind this or this is really the action of the stupid prince. He doesn't have any concrete clues or signs to show anyone's involvement, but if there is really one he has to send them a message and that is why he took a hardstand.

This message will also be good enough to make the Emperor realize that Sam is not that easy to deal with. Sam knew his own importance at the moment and the more he gives and the more he makes the deals and the more he got involved with the military, the more they will think that he is hard to dispense.

The first time, he gave in when the princess tried to humiliate him for some favors because he wanted to get on the good side of the emperor and also because of the respect people had for him, but he cannot let the Emperor have an impression that he is easy to coax to.

After all, if all his children have the same superiority complex, Sam is not ready to bear it, just to get along with the emperor. He has to show him that he has other options and bearing with his children will only be a choice on his part which he doesn't have to take.

But what Sam doesn't know is that his message was loud and clear and clearer than he expected it to be. Because the emperor has already made so many plans that require Sam's help. So, even if Sam didn't take that hardstand, they might have thought to make things straight with him.

Two days after the incident, a transcendent beast landed in the Mirage city and some important people came into the city. The city lord, the General of Navy, and many people came to greet them.

But they didn't take any invitations. They directly arrived at Sam's office.

Sam is currently checking the designs of the artisans. He wanted to finish this work as soon as possible so that he could get some free time and go back to repair his coat. It was extremely damaged after all.

When he saw the people coming in he raised an eyebrow.

There is a young Naga in the front with an Older one in the back along with Yodha and the stupid prince that wasted Sam's food.

Sam stood up and looked at them before asking.

"What can I do for you?"

"I am the crown prince, Lokesh. It is nice to meet you." The young Naga extended his hand with a smile. Sam shook his hand before saying.

"I am sorry to say. We are not doing any business with the people related to the Imperial family or authority or any government official. I don't know how I can be of any service to you."

The crown prince didn't seem to mind the cold reply and smiled as he said.

"I am here to talk Mr. Sam. I don't know what exactly transpired between you and my idiot brother, but I would like to resolve any further misunderstandings."

"There are no misunderstandings, your highness. I feel like I am being targeted by the imperial family for reasons unknown. First, a princess and a minister colludes to humiliate me and even threaten me that they would steal everything and then a prince comes right after that to force me into giving my treasure away, and even threaten me with the imperial authority.

If that is as simple as the misunderstanding, then I don't know what some serious targeting will be in the eyes of you."

"Don't take things too serious Mr. Sam. I am the reason the team came after you. I specifically asked for the Magma Lotus and that was their task. Since they failed they didn't want to bear the consequences and came to you as a desperate measure."

"And how is that my problem?"

"Mr. Sam. I hope we don't drag this on anymore. Your services are of utmost importance to the empire and we wouldn't mistreat you. I promise you that if you face any more issues from the Imperial family or any nobility, I will be the one responsible for it. I am swearing this on my honor. As for the disrespect my brother showed you, he will be responsible for it. Please ask what you want, to undo your measures."

"The Emperor owes me something before and I am going to use it soon. I hope your favor will be added to that then. As for your brother, it is simple. He has to apologize and I will not be participating in anything when he is involved in this.

If he is a part of the army, then my weapons and training will not go to that battalion, if he the part of the city guard, then the city guard will be deprived of my future ventures. I will not participate in any expeditions that he was part of and the same applies to the rest of the team members.

Even in any business. I am not conducting business with any of them including and especially your brother. He should not be a part of any of my future ventures and deals I have with any branch of the government, that might be a business, military equipment, training, missions, expeditions, etc. And he is banned from meeting me and using any of my services that include the Resort and the shipping services. He will not be permitted into boarding any of the ships I sold. No matter who bought and once they broke this condition, they will be blacklisted.

He should not be permitted to use any grenade, puppet, or any future weapon I use, if the condition is broken, then the person who broke it will be blacklisted and that includes the imperial family, any nobility.

If you are okay with the conditions, then I will undo the measures I have taken. But I will not join the military again. You can hire me for the training." The crown prince went into deep thought and the face of his stupid brother was becoming twisted with anger and he couldn't control himself and said.

"All I did is knock some food out, do you really think all these unreasonable conditions are acceptable? That means, if I use one of your puppets that you sent to the Navy, you will blacklist the Navy? If you enter a business I am already doing, you would blacklist me from that too? Are you mad?"

"Whatever you said, is correct except for two things. I am not mad and the second one, it is not just some food. It is the food cooked by me. The food cooked by Sam.

If you want to compete with me in self-centeredness, then I could only say you picked the wrong target. I am more self-centered than you can ever be and my narcissism knows no bounds."

"We have a deal." The Crown Prince said without even bothering about his brother.

Sam smiled and said.

"Now let us talk about the compensation that the emperor and you promised. I have a new business idea and I would need a lot of land regarding that. I would like you guys to get me one with some big discount."

"Where would that be?"

"The Butterfly city," Sam said as he looked at the stupid prince whose expression changed completely.

"What business that would be?" The crown prince asked. Because Butterfly city is one of the high-scale economic zones and it is also used for training the new members under the ministry of finance.

"It is a complicated one. It will take forever to explain. You will know it soon anyway. So, it would be better if we talk about why you are here other than smoothing out the misunderstandings."

"Did you hear about the Union Dimension?"

"No."

"It is a common dimension that was gifted to us by one of our ancestors. And the gift is not to the Mov empire or the nations on our planet. It is a gift to all the planets in Naga Loka.

It is a dimension that was connected to the six planets of Naga Loka. And it was divided into different layers based on the cultivation level.

That place is a world of itself and currently, the people of our planet in there are having some trouble. And we need you to go there to see if you can settle this. You have to go along with the people who are selected from the other five empires and you, six people are tasked with settling the problem we are facing.

Even though the six people are going there to settle this, it is also a competition. I want you to come to the Imperial capital in the next three days." With those words, the crown prince stood up and left the room.

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Chapter 599: Deal

Sam went back to his cottage in the resort so that he can finish his tailoring thing. He has a lot to do in that aspect. He started fixing his coat.

After it was done, he took out the Naga scales he got from the Blood mutants. There are the thing and flexible and have a crystallized structure and appearance. He took out some Heavenly Silk and fire meteorite sand. He started working on something new. As for why he wanted it, it was not because it is helpful for him. But it is just because, he liked how it looked and it could be an extra layer of protection for the chest part that was not being protected by the coat. He was being constantly targeted there and he has been looking for proper material to cover it.

And after checking the scales of these blood mutants, he finally got what he needed. The scales turned out to be a variant of blood essence and it has more properties than the blood Iron, but it is similar.

From the research records, the more mutation they undergo and the more blood they consume, the larger the scales they have and the scales are there not because they are a part of mutation, they are the output of the extra blood essence that shouldn't be consumed by the body. It will be deposited along with the blood iron on their scales and they grow larger and larger as they continue their evolution through the blood.

Sam was thinking about what to do with them for a long time. But after the ambush of the golems and the Owls, he finally got an idea. He needs an independent shield that could act properly. If it was normal cultivators, he might have been able to use the intimidation and other factors to deal with them and have taken less damage.

But the Golems and the Owls are dumb as rocks and he couldn't use them. He realized that if he get swarmed by a bunch of puppets, he would be having serious trouble. Particularly, when he thinks on his feet and tried to use those dumb things against his opponents and couldn't blast everything around him.

A new gadget could help him to things like that.

But for that, he couldn't do it in a single day, he has to do slowly play with this thing. Because, he is trying to use a method he never tried and has little to do

with modern technology. It has too many elements that he never used before and has to practice a lot.

But he didn't go to the divine dimension this time. He just sat in the breeze coming from the beach and tried to think of the ideas.

After finishing the coat and a basic design he went to capital to meet with the emperor.

When he arrived at the meeting, he saw more people than he imagined.

Apart from the emperor and the crown prince, Yodha is also there along with two other men and one of them looked almost Sam as Yodha.

Sam greeted the Emperor and took a seat, before the attendants left and the emperor spoke.

"I think, Lokesh must have explained to you about the Union dimension. I will go straight to the point.

In Naga Loka, there are six planets that has access to this Union dimension and in every planet there would be two entrances to the dimension.

One of them was currently under the joint command of the Six empires and the another one is command of another organization which you would know about it in a few minutes.

The thing is, the Union is as big as an empire and it is hard to explore. And it is divided into layers according to cultivation stages and there are three layers in total.

Nascent, Pre-transcendent and Transcendent.

The layout of the three layers is more or less the same, the only difference being the resources available. The Union is given to us so that we can improve ourselves and the ancestor who ascended to the higher realms sends some things into the Union so that we can explore, acquire and use them to get better.

Generally, the six planets' cultivators fight for the resources themselves. Did you get a general idea on how this works?"

Sam nodded his head.

"Okay, now I will explain what our problem is.

The layout of the dimension is in such a way that there are some pre-made castles inside that dimension. And every castle was full of various resources. Most of the castles are explored and occupied and of course there are some place which are unexplored.

Currently, of all the explored castles the six planets didn't have much difference in the territory they hold.

At random times, some space cracks appear in the dimension and new resources will enter in one way or another. They might be a tower and trials or a direct treasure for which everyone would fight to death for.

But there are some castles that are occupied by another organization which is also the one that is holding the other gate of this planet.

The organization is called Union sect and it consists of fugitives from all the six planets. This organization houses, the most talented assassins, thieves, frauds and any kidnappers or any other type of criminal you can think of.

And this sect has branches in all three layers and they keep their position in the Union as the base. Not just that, we came to know that they hold the second gate in every other planet and their selection standards are also high.

They offer a great deal of services in all six planets and they also hold some of the most resourceful points within the dimension. Now, this Union organization is going on a war with the base of our planet and we need you help regarding that."

"What kind of war is it?"

"They are attacking our members as long as they can catch them. Many people died in the past few months, they also occupied some resource points and even ruined our chances in some trials.

The situation is same in all three layers and we have people to make things straight in the Pre-transcendent and transcendent layers, but the Nascent layer which also has the most chaotic mess doesn't have anyone to take care of.

So, I want your help to take care of it."

"Why did it start?"

"Because the sect has plans regarding this from a long time ago and they want to rule the Union dimension from a long time ago.

And they are going after us, because there was a conflict between us due to our territories being close. As for why the rest of the planets don't want to cooperate, they are so sure that they can win this by themselves and they are taking advantage of the situation not just by eliminating us as one of the competitors, they could also gain a measure of the strength the Union sect has.

That is why we are in this perilous situation."

"If I get you out of this, what am I gaining?"

"You can name your terms."

"Okay then, what are you gaining?"

"We are preserving our territory in the Union." The Emperor replied directly.

"And?"

"What do you mean?"

"Your Highness, I am not a three year old. Do you really want me to believe that if I, as a representative of your nation get the Nagas out of this situation, you are not getting anything from the rest of the five nations?"

Everyone in the room is dumbfounded.

"You don't have to know anything related to that. It is your responsibility as a soldier to go in there if you are asked to. The Emperor is being generous by offering you to name your terms. Don't be greedy."

Sam looked at the man who replied and said.

"My dear Minister of Foreign affairs, for your information, I quit being the soldier as of three days ago and even if I didn't, your talk would work on normal soldiers not on me. I would like to what I am helping you getting so that I can demand a suitable price. If you really want to use me for granted and make me a bargaining chip without knowing it, then I am sorry."

"The terms are still under talks and you can name the price after the task is over depending on what we get. But you prepare to leave as soon as possible."

The Emperor replied and Sam shook his hand in agreement and left the room after asking them to compile and provide him any form of information they have regarding the Union dimension and the sect.

For the next three days he stayed in the capital and worked on his new project and waited for the call to go in.

And he is also happy that he doesn't have to think too much about getting what he wants from the other planets.

Two days ago, he was thinking of going to other planets blindly and trying his luck, but now he got himself an opportunity to go there without much problem. He is extremely excited and relieved at the same time.

After three days, the Crown prince and Yodha accompanied him along the journey to the supposed gate that leads him to the Union.

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Chapter 600: Chatur

There is a common island that is under the rule of the Six nations within the Planet and Sam along with Yodha and the Crown Prince Lokesh, went together with a Consummate level Guardian.

When they arrived at the place, they could see more than twenty Consummate realm cultivators and there are some stone houses where some more people are staying.

There is a large stone cave they are guarding. Apart from them, a team of three came from every other nation as well all eighteen members gathered.

"You will arrive at the stone Palace and there would be a team of people waiting for you there to take you to the castle which we are using as the main base. Inside the stone Palace, there are portals leading to the different planets.

You cannot get to fight in the stone palace or you will be blacklisted for three months continuously and the same rule applied for the three hundred yards radius from that Palace.

Since you got the required information, take care of it as soon as possible."

Sam nodded and entered the stone cave and when he came out of the cave, he is waking out of a door into a large hall of a stone palace. He turned around to see some more people coming out of the different doors and walk out of the hall through the main entrance. Outside the hall, there is a large front yard full of people coming in and going out.

He went out and saw a team of people and met them. Soon, the remaining five people from the five other nations all came out and joined them and all of them walked out of the palace yard and climbed on the mounts.

What surprised Sam is that this place doesn't have the miasma of the Naga Loka. It is as if he was back in his normal world again.

He sat on the large bear-like beasts running as he asked the person who is riding the mount.

"What is the latest attack of Union on us?"

"The Volcano cannon. They wanted to capture that place. It is an important resource point as many beasts and resources came out of that."

Sam nodded and went over the details he has on the Union. Even though this place is a world of its own and has resources, the way the resources exist in this place is quite unique.

Because here there are no real mines. Even though, they call them mines, they are not exactly normal mines, where people go and dig out the ore.

In fact, any resource they get here is not exactly a normal resource of a normal world. At least most of them.

Because the resource points in this world are literal resource points. For example, the volcano cannon they talked about is a resource point that shoots out a treasure every month along with a bunch of Lava and some beasts or golems or similar threats.

The planet which Sam is representing which is also called the Planet Nagin has occupied the resource point and the various factions that belong to Nagin will have their candidates participate and fight for the treasures. Sometimes, they cut a deal with some other planet's people and let some of them participate in an exchange for something of the same value.

The Volcano cannon is a resource point that sends herbs, beasts, metals, and so on. That is why it is a complex resource point as for resource points they call mines, they only give the metals and for the resource points they call the farm, they give out only herbs. As for the resource point that only gives out beasts, they call it Incubator. Even though there are many other uses of a resource point, they are all secondary.

The resource points give out resources in a particular pattern. One of them might give out daily and one of them would give one every week some of them only give out annually.

As of now, there are five resource points that give out weekly resources that actually belonged to the Nagin but were occupied by the sect in the past three months.

Even though, the weekly resource points are the lowest level resource points of the main base of the Nagin. Because the daily resource points wouldn't give some great quality resources and they are held by individual factions themselves within the Nagin base and the Union doesn't care about them.

Now, the first task Sam has is that he needs to get back the five resource points and also save the Volcanic cannon which is currently under the radar of the Union sect.

He reached the Nagin Castle uneventfully. The castle is extremely large. It is larger than the Imperial Palace, but it doesn't have the magnificent stature of the Imperial Palace.

Inside the castle, the rooms are used as dormitories and within the castle compound, there are many stone houses that are easily recognizable as the

houses made by the earth element users without putting much thought through it.

Sam was led to one of the houses just to show his place of rest and then was led to a meeting room in the castle.

There some important members are waiting. All Nagas from the different nations are standing together and even the humans are inside.

Sam and the five other members who came along with him are standing.

A Naga stood up and he is from the Flavos empire.

"You six are going to be the six special commanders in the castle until the whole situation with the Union sect is settled and you can access the resources and the members of all squads and the individual members of the Nagin Castle without any trouble.

If there is any form of conflict between you guys regarding the people you need or the resources or the networks you get, you have to come and meet the six commanders of the castle and have us vote in which you have split those resources or who they should go to.

After some details, Sam left the conference room with the badge he has with him and the list of the members of the Nagin castle and the hierarchy here.

There are thirty-six squads at this moment and the squad with the least members has fifty members in it. Apart from that, there are hundreds of individual members.

All these people came from the nations of Nagin for different reasons, some of them are military personal and some of them are accidental criminals who seek redemption.

Sam looked at the bundle of papers in his hands and smirked.

At this moment, he going to a squad leader's place. This squad is completely made up of Mov empire's members.

After all, no matter how united they want to be, they have their differences and there are some squads that truly belong to different nations.

When he went to that room in the castle and there the squad leader is already waiting for him.

His name Ranga and after discussing some things with him, Sam picked up a squad member that was already arranged for him and started walking out of the castle.

This guy is the tour guide to Sam, but he also noticed that he is not exactly popular on that team. His name is chatur and he came here six months ago and he is not particularly great at anything. He is an extremely balanced candidate, at least which is what the details regarding him said.

They went back to Sam's stone house and sat down before Sam asked.

"Okay, Chatur what is the deal with this Union sect. I got the info from the emperor and he said that this war started because we are nearest to the Union sect. Is it true?"

"What makes you think it is not true?"

"It might be true, but I think there is more to it. Because, if the Union sect really picked us as the target because we are nearest. It cannot be the only reason. There should be a trigger. What is the trigger?"

"A new resource point appeared. There is a conflict. Let us just put it in a way that our commanders made a stupid move by trying to play dirty with all the other five castles. They wanted to play a smart game by thinking that they are so much better than the rest of the leaders and it backfired. The remaining five castles were cut a deal to not go to war with us, but they also said that they wouldn't help us at all. The Union sect though, wouldn't take the deal, because they have the most resources and our bottom line which we are giving away is nothing but coin change for them.

They are provoked and they are flexing their strength on us."

Sam went into deep thought, before asking.

"Let us put it aside for now. What do you know about the Merchant union?"

"Merchant Union? They are actually a joint organization that was made by the Six Castles. Why you want to buy something from other planets?"

"I want to buy some big things, I want you to get me in touch with the merchant union member of our castle. The deal is actually quite big. Meanwhile, do you have any maps of the resource points that were occupied by the Union sect?"

"I have all of them. Which one do you want?"

Sam was surprised. He didn't think he would receive such an answer.

"What do you mean, all of them?"

"I have map and layout of every single known resource point in this layer of the Union dimension."