The Desires of the King

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While walking back towards my Chambers, My mind was coping with several thoughts that were making my head pain like hell. I didn't know whom to trust or not. I didn't know what was going to happen now. I didn't know whatever I do was right or wrong. I didn't know Prince was right or wrong. All I knew was he killed my brother mercilessly whom I trusted and loved from the depth of my heart and I hate him the most.

Lying on the bed and looking at the inside version of the roof send some kind of relief in my body. It was round with beautiful designs and anyone could fell asleep just by looking at it for a few minutes. Well, sometimes I feel like these Mahabaleshgarh's People were blessed with a lot of wealth and beauty.

Turning a little, I faced the view of the garden which was visible as the curtains were open. I wondered why Maa saheb gave me the most Precious Chamber but when she said that she wanted me to be her daughter-in-law, it made it a little clear to me.

Suddenly I heard Maa saheb coming and I stood up from bed setting my dupatta and Veil. In no time she was standing in front of me. I bowed to her and she nodded, Coming closer she cupped my face and kissed my forehead. I was quite uncomfortable with her move but, I liked it because I never got a chance to be kissed by my mother and I missed her so much. No matter I saw her or not but I always miss her and she always makes me remind that I just had a mother like her. Loving and caring.

"Abhi," She said while making me sit on the edge of the bed, and sitting beside she took my hands in her hands. I felt them soft but her skin became a little wrinkled and her veins were visible a little due to her growing age but the Glow on her face was as perfect as she must have in her young age. I looked into her eyes wondering what she gonna say now.

"Abhi, You are the perfect daughter," She said with glowing eyes and I could sense the happiness behind her eyes and smile.

I thinned my eyebrow a little not getting what she wanted to say.

Taking a deep breath she said "I am so happy, Abhi. I know, I am being selfish of being happy when you are this much upset" She inhaled to take a break and look back into my eyes "But Trust me daughter. Raj did the right thing. I don't know what happened between you Guys. But, Trust me that Suryadev was just a creep and not good for you" She finished looking into my eyes. "And Your son is?" I asked emphasizing the word 'Good'.

Her face turned a little sad but she answered. "No, He is not good too but you are capable of doing anything. You won everyone's heart. You impressed both of us when we saw you first and We will always support you. I called you my daughter and I will make sure that nothing wrong happens to you here" She promised and continued.

"And I really believe that you can make him good too."

I stood up from bed listening to her and turning to her I asked calmly but hitched voice. "What do you mean Maa saheb"

She stood up from bed too. "You know how you come here, and now he made you your wife now, Don't you think he treats you a little especially than others," She said making her eyebrows in a thin line.

I cursed inside thinking of that seven shitty vows and she thinks that he treats me special. Gross...

Not thinking of any reply to her conversation, I thought to shut while she continued.

"Abhi, The King thought to kill you that night when you kept the sword right to his neck but Raj anyhow managed to call his decision down." I looked at her, What the hell...

"He is so possessive regarding you my Daughter," She said patting on my shoulder and replied to myself.

Because he wants to kill me by himself because he wants to make my life hell by himself. But, I never gonna this happens, I will make him regret his decision to marrying me that way.

I fake smiled looking at her and nodded as if understanding whatever she was saying.

"All I want my daughter is to make this marriage work out and I know it's tough to get over your past but you...You can try at least" She said

I couldn't answer her words. I guessed, she was only thinking about her son nothing else. She didn't know him, she didn't know what he does to me. She didn't know anything.

Moving on she signaled me to a few ladies and one of them was Sakhi and looking at her made me smile instantly.

I ran to hug her and she hugged me back. Releasing the hug I looked at her face which was tensed but I nodded with a smile that made her smile tensely.

"These all work for you Our Princess" Maa saheb voice caught my attention.

"And I want to give your friend back to you." She said and smiled.

"Thank you so much Maa saheb," I said.

with a tensed tone and smiled tiredly.

Coming towards me she said. "No need to thank you, my love. But, you have to watch a few things. Look, Abhi" She said I concentrated on her.

"The situations and circumstances in which your wedding happened would not change the fact that you are married to the Prince and Future King of Mahabaleshgarh. And, Being the first wife of the Prince, You rightfully belong to Chandra Mahal and a few of responsibilities. Before you, I was taking care of them but as you can see I am growing old and now you are the wedded Princess and I would love to pass them to you." She said with a smile and I was listening as if a puppet.

"you are taking care of all the ladies in the palace, You will be managing their funding and requirements." Coming closer she continued. "Prince has to ask you in every political and decision-relevant for the betterment of Palace and I really hope you will do it well. You have to

become the better half that's best in all as the Queen. You already impressed the people that are Close to the throne but there is one person that you really have to take a place in her heart too. Gulaab bai" Hearing the name my eyebrows turned in thin line considering why I had to take place in her heart. "She is our daughter, sister of Raj and precisely his heart. Raj loves her more than anything and if she feels any discomfort because of

anyone. He doesn't think twice to pull the heart out of that person. She is quite ill these days but does not worry, you will meet her soon." I felt a little taken away listening to the love he does for his sister. Strange...that animal even loves someone. I nodded telling her as I was listening to her. She continued "Don't worry, just be comfortable and let me know when you feel like taking responsibility, and please think again about Raj, He is not that bad. He is good in his bad way. " She said with the strange eyes as if I was

miles ago from reality. "Also, you will be introduced to Our people soon." I couldn't help but nod. "You both are going to visit the Temple to take blessings of our God. The journey will be tiring as you both will go alone as local people, So prepare yourself" I nodded whatever she was saying as the Queen of the Palace.

"I need to go now," She said and I simply bowed to take her to leave. She moved away with a few ladies leaving around ten ladies back but she turned suddenly and looking at me said.

"Raj doesn't love many people but he loves madly whoever he loves." (Raj jyada logo ko pyaar nahi karte, lekin jisko bhi Karte hai paglo ki Tarah Karte hai)

She went away and I was again lost in the thoughts sitting on the bed. Whatever Maa saheb said was moving in my brain and the responsibility of Princess was too much.

I looked at Sakhi who was standing near me and the other ladies standing to wait for the order.

"you guys can take a rest" I retired them and Sakhi sat beside me. she took me in her arms for sympathy and hugged me back. "I am fine, Sakhi," I said and she nodded.

"By the way did anything happen last night?" She asked with a tensed yet curious face.

My mind instantly went to the warm feeling of his chest on my bare back and his strong steel hands weighing on my waist. His breath fanning on my neck and unwantedly my fingers went to my neck as I remembered the feeling. Animal...

But I managed to say "Nothing everything was fine, But I never thought that he would marry me," I said with a tense tone as it was a surprise for me.

"But, Look it came good to you, Think Abhi what could have happened if you married to that old Prince and I even heard that he already

Her words made my eyes like big balls muttering "What the hell?"

"Yes, even I heard that their Empire is involved in women trafficking" My heart missed the beats listening to it.

"What, Women Trafficking?" I asked again making my eyebrows in a thin line.

"Yes, Abhi The moment I heard that I almost got fainted and I thanked God so many times that it didn't happen." "How you got to know?" I asked.

married more than fifteen times." She said catching my attention completely.

"I heard when Prince Raj came to your Mandap. ;He almost fought with that Prince and I am kind of happy that he married you. I am happy that he cared for you"

What the hell? What care? What happiness? How to tell these fool peoples that what he thinks of me? How to tell them what kind of vows he took? Everything was praising only him for getting married to me. No one even knew him.

I looked at Sakhi and said "I will talk to you a little later" But before she could reply I heard a girly voice.

"Yes, Because she will talk to me" A girl with long hair and beautiful first of all. Her dressing was good and she had an attractive figure.

"You are Prince's Sister, Right?" I asked calmly.

I stood up from bed thinking of Gulaab.

Coming closer She spatted. "Are you out of your mind? Bitch"