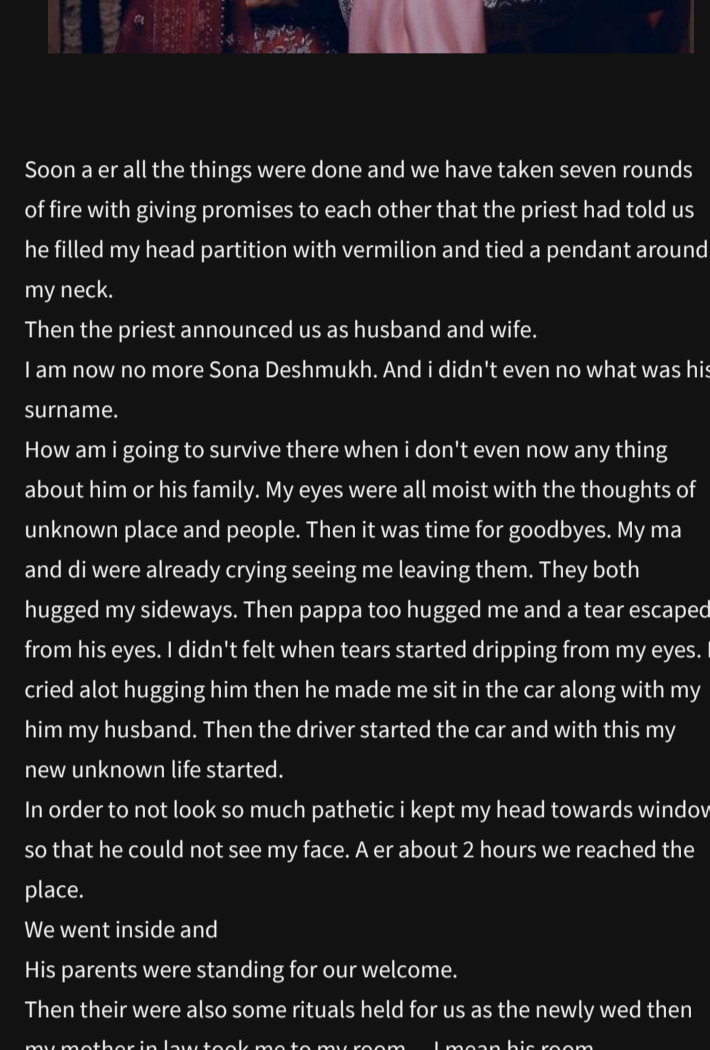
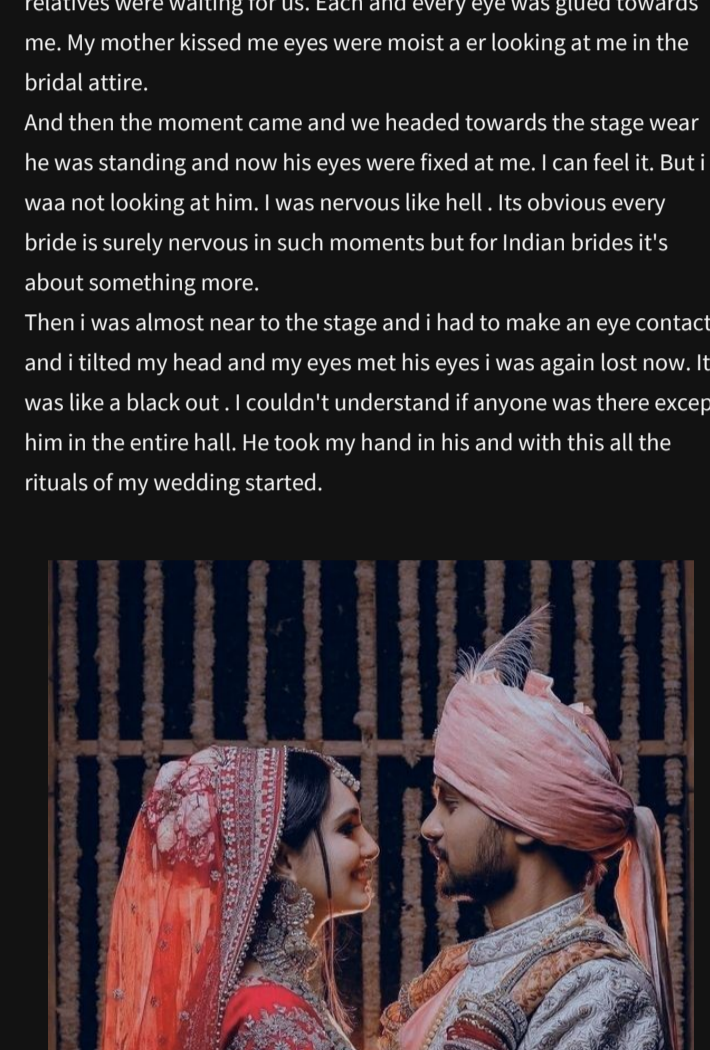
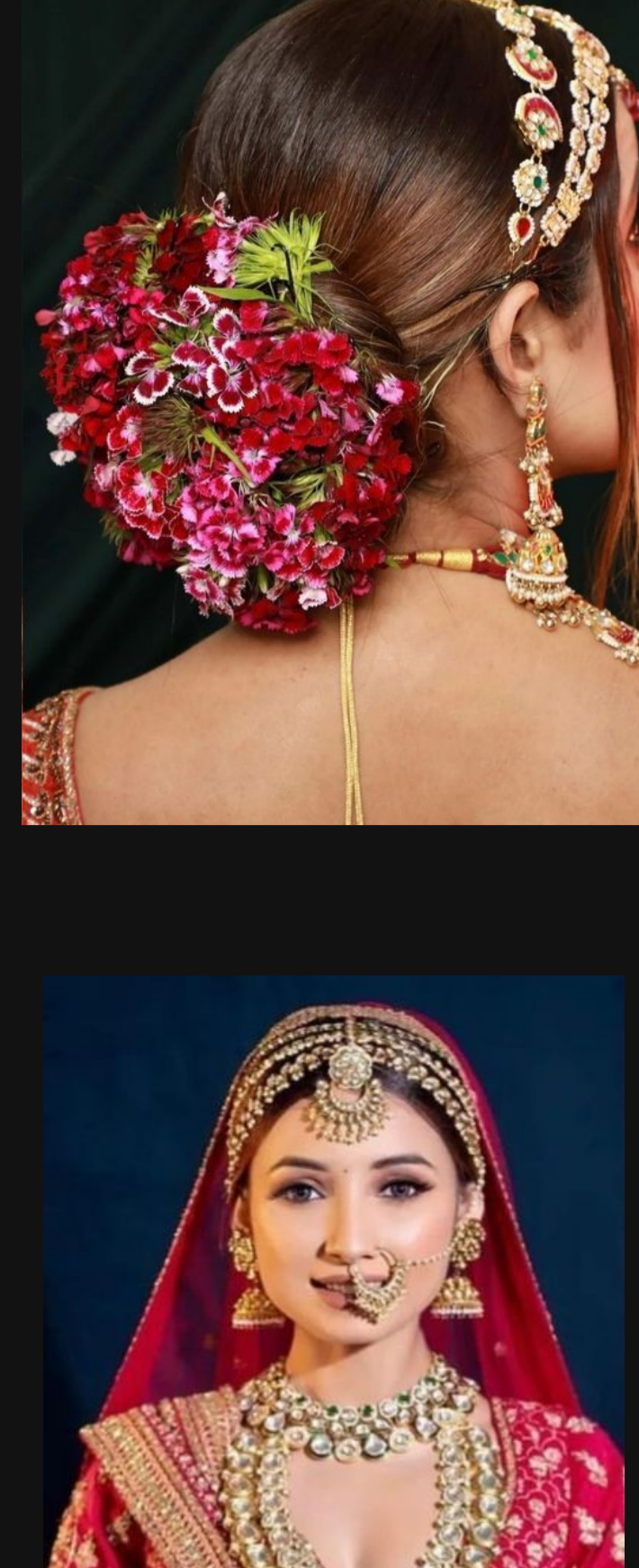


chapter 5 "Wedding bells"

I was wearing a royal red color lehenga and makeup artist was assisting me with makeover. I asked her to do a light makeup. I'm really not used to of these products and my skin is very sensitive and I feel irritation all over my face.

I than looked in the mirror. She has done my light air brush makeover with a high bun. I was all ready then she put on veil on my head. It was elegant not much heavy not too plain.



Then my sister came to take me as they have already arrived. I mean groom had already reached at the venue with other relatives. I know since it was marriage unlike engagement it will have more of the guests but due to covid 19 norms there were comparatively less guest list. I got up and a er glancing for the last time in the mirror got ready for going to the venue.

"I have no words to say how stunning you are looking Sona " Neha di said

Thankyou di.

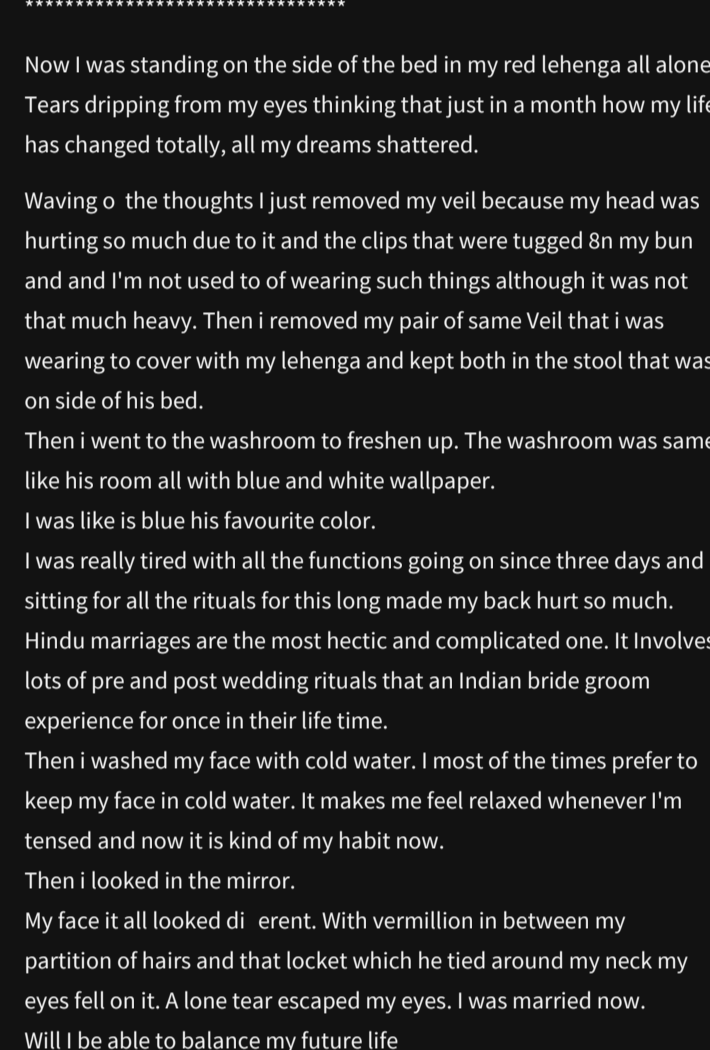
Other people present their were also praising me that i was looking a beautiful bride. I just blushed listening to their compliments.

Ok let's go Sona otherwise we will get late.

Then with di I went towards the venue where my parents and other relatives were waiting for us. Each and every eye was glued towards me. My mother kissed me eyes were moist a er looking at me in the bridal attire.

And then the moment came and we headed towards the stage where he was standing and now his eyes were fixed at me. I can feel it. But i was not looking at him. I was nervous like hell. Its obvious every bride is surely nervous in such moments but for indian brides it's about something more.

Then i was almost near to the stage and i had to make an eye contact and i tilted my head and my eyes met his eyes i was again lost now. It was like a black out. I couldn't understand if anyone was there except him in the entire hall. He took my hand in his and with this all the rituals of my wedding started.



Soon a er all the things were done and we have taken seven rounds of fire with giving promises to each other that the priest had told us he filled my head partition with vermilion and tied a pendant around my neck.

Then the priest announced us as husband and wife.

I am now no more Sona Deshmukh. And i didn't even no what was his surname.

How am i going to survive there when i don't even now any thing about him or his family. My eyes were all moist with the thoughts of unknown place and people. Then it was time for goodbyes. My ma and di were already crying seeing me leaving them. They both hugged my sideways. Then pappa too hugged me and a tear escaped from his eyes. I didn't felt when tears started dripping from my eyes. I cried alot hugging him then he made me sit in the car along with my him my husband. Then the driver started the car and with this my new unknown life started.

In order to not look so much pathetic i kept my head towards window so that he could not see my face. A er about 2 hours we reached the place.

We went inside and His parents were standing for our welcome.

Then their were also some rituals held for us as the newly wed then my mother in law took me to my room - I mean his room.

"Sona beta this is Anirudh's room and now it is your room also"

I nodded and looked around it was a huge room with all things kept neatly and well placed. The color of room was dark blue with light blue and white in contrast.

Beta you go and freshen up and change into something comfortable you will be really tired with all the rituals.

"Aun Umm ma actually my luggage us still in the car i don't have any clothes here!" I told her

"Beta Anirudh will ask someone to bring it here till then you freshen up ok and one more thing feel comfortable now it is your home too.

We are your parents too whenever you miss your parents or feel said feel free to tal to me a er all I'm also your ma now and will you give me and Anirudh's dad right to make you our daughter."

Ji ma why are you saying this I'm your daughter and smiled

She hugged me

Sona I know beta all this things happened in so hurry you and Ani didn't even get the chance to know and talk to each other but trust me beta you both are perfect for each other. You will feel comfortable give it some time.

I nodded and smiled again

Ok then beta i'll go now

She kissed my forehead and le.

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Now i was standing on the side of the bed in my red lehenga all alone. Tears dripping from my eyes thinking that just in a month how my life has changed totally, all my dreams shattered.

Waving o the thoughts i just removed my veil because my head was hurting so much due to it and the clips that were tucked in my bun and i'm not used to of wearing such things although it was not that much heavy. Then i removed my pair of same veil that i was wearing to cover with my lehenga and kept both in the stool that was on side of his bed.

Then i went to the washroom to freshen up. The washroom was same like his room all with blue and white wallpaper.

I was like i blue his favourite color.

I was really tired with all the functions going on since three days and sitting for all the rituals for this long made my back hurt so much. Hindu marriages are the most hectic and complicated one. It involves lots of pre and post wedding rituals that an indian bride groom experience for once in their life time.

Then i washed my face with cold water. I most of the times prefer to keep my face in cold water. It makes me feel relaxed whenever i'm tensed and now it is kind of my habit now.

Then i looked in the mirror.

My face it all looked di erent. With vermilion in between my partion of hairs and that locket which he tied around my neck my eyes fell on it. A lone tear escaped my eyes. I was married now.

Will i be able to balance my future life

I don't even know what kind of person Anirudh is but one thing is for sure i'm not gonna let anyone control my life i'm not going to be a submissive wife that he can control for sure.

But his parents are so nice. Ma papa both love me alot.

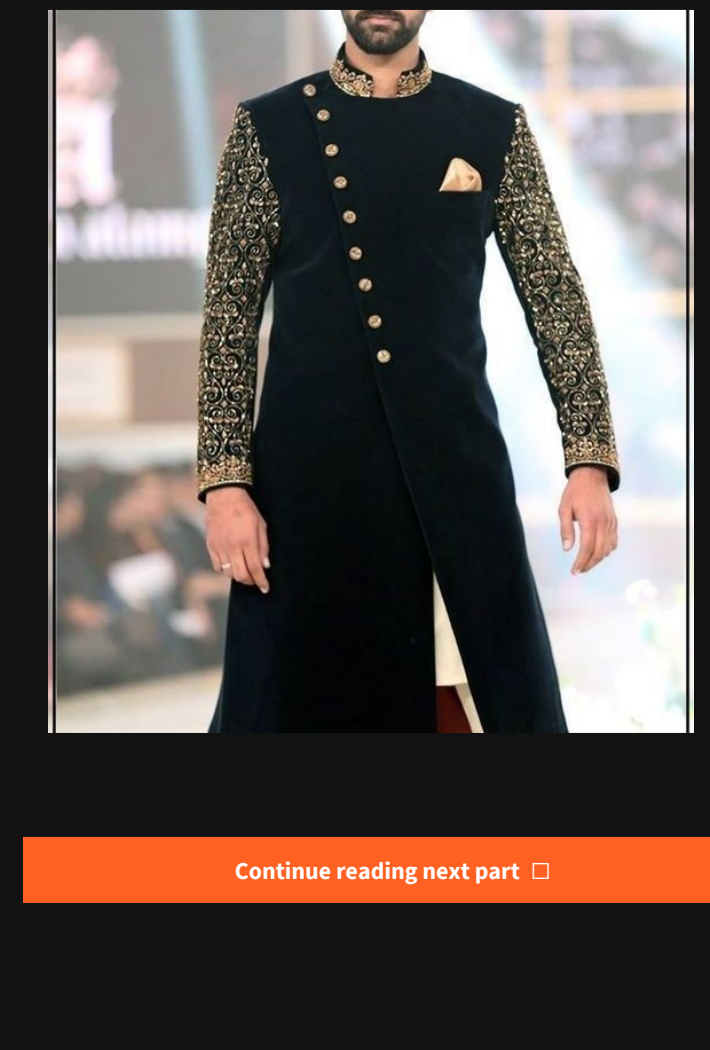
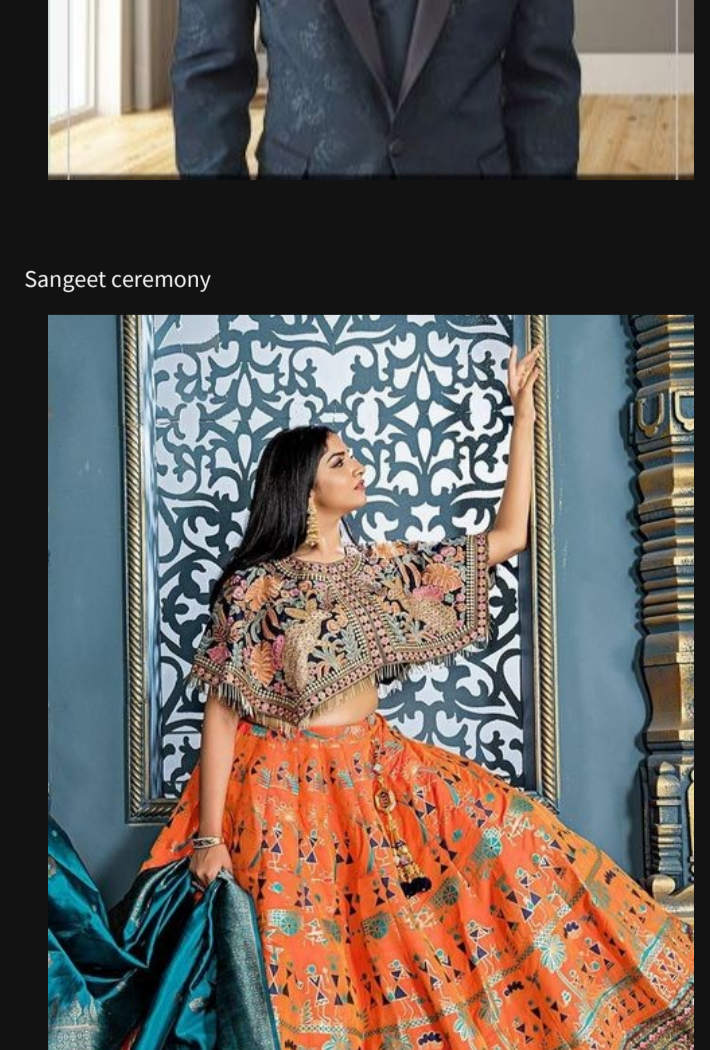
I was thinking how imperfectly the things looked so perfect. It gave me both the positive and negative thoughts of my future ahead.

I was deep lost in thoughts and then in between heard the door opening and my heart started pumping very fast.

I know it was him.

All there dresses of pre-wedding ceremony and marriage ceremony.

Haldi ceremony



A er haldi ceremony

Mehendi ceremony

A er mehendi

Sargitee ceremony