

Recap: Arjun's surprise to Diya.

Those who have not read chapter 14, do check it out fast.

This chapter is unedited and may contain grammatical mistakes. Author's POV:

Aution 31 OV

The next morning, Diya woke up with a smile on her face. She got down and looked at Arjun who was sleeping peacefully. She smiled, and sat on the rock nearby, looking at the sunrise without disturbing his sleep.

Arjun slowly opened his eyes, and looked around. He saw Diya sitting on the rock and enjoying the view. He got down o the car and moved towards her, and sat beside her, keeping his head on her shoulder.

"When did you wake up?" He asked her.

"A few minutes back", she said, smiling, enjoying the sunrise and coolbreeze dancing around them.

"It's so peaceful here", said Diya.

"Hmm", he said, closing his eyes and enjoying the morning breeze. "Shall we go?", he said, a er sometime.

"Yeah!"

He set everything back in its place and soon they hit the roads.

"Where are we going now?" She asked him.

"You'll see", he said.

He stopped at a restaurant and both of them moved inside. They saw Ajay & Aasha, Prem & Priya waiting for them.

"Hey guys!" They greeted them.

Both the girls dragged Diya with them, while the boys followed them.

"Where are you dragging me?" Asked Diya with frustration.

"We are kidnapping you", Priya and Aasha said, giggling.

They dragged her into a room and told her to freshen-up quickly. "I don't have my clothes with me now", said Diya.

"Don't worry Vidhi has packed all your necessities and gave it us, now

go and get ready", saying that, Priya pushed her into the washroom. a

Diya came out of the washroom in a bathrobe, drying her hair. She looked around and saw her necessities placed on the bed. She locked

the door and got ready.

She came out of the room and saw girls sitting in the lobby.

She went towards them and asked; Where are the others?"

"Outside. By the way, you look beautiful", said Aasha.

"Thank you", she said.

Just then, she got a video call from Meera.

"You guys move, I'll join you in some time", said Diya.

"Okay", with that both of them le from there.

Phone conversation:

"Happy birthday, Diya", said Meera.

"Thanks maa, where is anna", Diya asked her mother.

"Happy birthday, tantrum queen", said Veeru from behind.

"Thanks, where is my gi ?" Diya asked him, pouting.

"I didn't get you any gi ", Veeru said, giving her a teasing look.

"Don't you have any other work than teasing my baby?" Said Raman,

hitting his head. <u>"Happy</u> birthday bangaram. You are looking like an angel, kanna",

Ragini said, pushing Raman and Veeru aside.

"Thanks nanamma (paternal grandma)", said Diya.

"So my dear little sister where are you now?" Asked Veeru, giving her a mischievous smile.

"Bangalore", Diya said, making an innocent face.

"Acha, with whom?" He asked, raising his eyebrow.

"Arjun and his friends. Leave about me, tell me, did you manofy Taara", said Diya.

"You little devil, what did you tell her? She made me do 50 sit-ups",

Veeru said, glaring at her.

"Why should I tell you? That's a secret between us", she said, winking at him.

"Okay, byee, will call you later", saying that, he cut the call.

Diya called Arjun ad asked him",Where are you guys?"

"Ground floor, in the garden area", said Arjun.

"Okay, I'm coming", saying that, she cut the call.

She moved down and saw them, sitting on the table and having fun.

"Hey guys!", said Diya.

"Hello", said everyone.

him with mischievously.

Priya looked at Arjun who was lost in Diya and mumbled\$he is

looking beautiful, right" in his ears. "Yes, she is looking like an angel", said Arjun unknowingly, but loud

enough that everyone heard him.

Diya looked down and tucked her hair. She is trying to control her blush, due to his intense gaze.

Ajay cleared his throat, bringing him back from his cookie's land. Arjun came back to senses and looked at his who were looking at

"Shall we order?" Arjun asked, clearing his throat.

"Yeah! Baby, do you want to eat cookies?", Prem asked Priya, smiling

internally. a²

"Even I want to have cookies with some hot brewing co ee", said Aasha, looking at Ajay.

Arjun and Diya understood that they were teasing them.

"Arjun, I have heard that mu ins are famous here, why don't you

order them?" Diya asked Arjun. "Which mu ins, cookie", Arjun said, understanding the inner

meaning.

"You know, chocolate mu ins, with extra chocolate chips and small in

size, so that it would be easy while eating", said Diya. Ajay and Aasha looked at her wide-eyed, while Arjun smirked at them.

"Is it? Even I want to eat chocolate mu ins, baby", Prem choked the water, listening to Priya.

Arjun and Diya, burst out laughing, looking at Ajay, Aasha and Prem, while Priya looked at them confused.

"What happened? Why are laughing like mad people?" Priya asked them.

"Nothing baby, I'm ordering your favorite red sauce pasta", said Prem. "Arey, Prem, but she wanted to taste chocolate mu ins, right Priya", said Diya, looking at Priya.

Priya nodded her head, while Prem mentally slapped himself. Finally, they have ordered red sauce pasta, masala dosa, idli sambar, chocolate pancakes, corn cheese sandwich and finally chocolate

mu ins and cookies. Priya was about to eat mu ins, when Diya squealed, making

everyone look at her.

"What's wrong?" Asked Priya.

"You are eating in a wrong way, Priya", said Diya.

"Then, what is the right way?" Priya asked, raising her eyebrow.

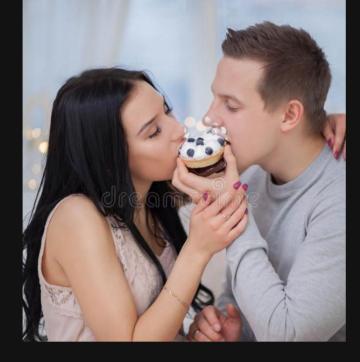
"Ajay and Aasha, will teach you the right way to eat, what do you say guys?" Diya said, giving them a teasing smile.

Priya looked at Ajay and Aasha, while Arjun and Prem were

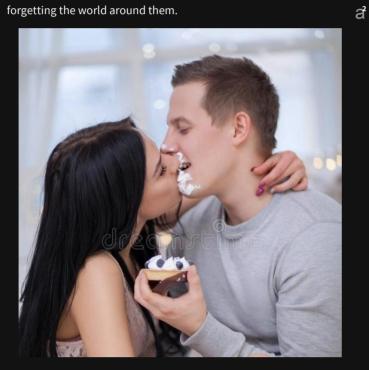
controlling their laughter.

a

a



Ajay placed mu in in his mouth, and pulled Aasha close to him by her waist. Both of them bite the mu in from two ends. And the next moment, they were kissing each other passionately,



"That's how you should eat your mu in, and guys, time-up, we don't want to watch a adult movie here", Diya said, while eating a cookie. Priya looked at them wide-eyed.

Aasha hugged Ajay and hid her face in his chest, while Ajay rubbed his nape and gave them a sheepish smile.

A er having a hearty breakfast, teasing and pulling each other's legs, they came out of the restaurant. They saw a man waiting for them with three royal Enfield bikes.

Boys took keys from them and said "thanks" to that man. They looked at girls and told them to hop on.

"I want to ride", said Diya.

"Cookie, it won't be good, if we land in the hospital on your birthday", said Arjun.

"Okay, you can go alone then. I'll go back to the camp from here", she said, turning her face aside and making an angry pout. "Fine madam. You ride the bike and I'll sit behind you", Arjun said,

making her jump in happiness.

Aasha and Priya looked at Ajay and Priya, making puppy faces, trying to melt them.

"Fine", both of them said,making them grin

With that, girls started riding the bike while boys sat beside them holding the backpacks, praying for the God mentally.

"Oops, I forgot to ask you, where are we going?" Diya asked Arjun.

"Chikballapura, if you guys drive us safely", said Arjun.

Diya punched his stomach with her elbow, making him wince.

"Your punches got more stronger, cookie", said Arjun.

"All thanks to my best-friend", said Diya.

"Priya baby, please drive carefully", Prem said, hugging her tightly

from back. While Ajay is romancing with his wife on the bike. He is not afraid of their safety, as his wife is a racer, still he is afraid of her speed.

"Aasha, why don't you decrease the speed a little?" He said,

encircling his hands her waist.

"Then, what will be the fun? Sit silently and enjoy the ride", said Aasha.

"Devuda, safe ga intiki cherchu, chalu swami (Oh God! Please make us reach home safely)", said Ajay, looking up and praying for the God³ A er traveling for an hour, they have reached Ranganath Swamy temple first. A er praying for the God, they spent some time in the temple and again started their journey. Then they went to the Vivekananda waterfalls. They enjoyed their for sometime by playing

in the water and clicking some photos. Then, they went to Shree Bhoga Nandishwara temple and were spell

bounded by looking at the splendid architecture and beautiful



Then they went to Nandi Hills. They did cycling, paragliding, trekking and had their best time. They decided to stay there for the night, as they don't want to miss the beautiful sunrise. Soon the day passed in

a ji y and it was already night.



Ajay, Prem and Arjun lit the bonfire and made three tents around it. Ajay & Aasha and Prem & Priya would stay in their respective tents. So, Arjun and Diya didn't have any option le other than sharing the same tent.



Three couples sat together around the campfire, enjoying the cool, fresh air and the peaceful atmosphere.

Arjun covered them with a blanket, while Diya snuggled into Arjun, seeking warmth from him. This is the first time they were this close. She felt butterflies in her stomach as his hot breath was fanning on her neck.

"So, Diya, when did you meet Arjun exactly for the first time?" Aasha asked her.

"When I was five, we shi ed to Vizag as my grandpa was transferred there. Anna and Avi Anna became friends in school. One day, he came to my home along with Avi Anna. He was wearing a cute jumpsuit and was licking a lollipop. Avi Anna was scolding him for something while he was making cute faces, trying to melt him", said Diya, reminiscing the old memories.

"Waoh!! You have a good memory, Diya. I don't even remember what I wore the previous day, while you remembered the dress he wore twenty years ago", said Priya.

"That's why, she became a doctor", said Prem.

"Arjun, why do you call her cookie?" Asked Ajay.

"Shall I tell them?" Arjun asked Diya, giving her a teasing look.

"Don't you dare do that", Diya warned him.

"Actually, one day, Meera attayya scolded Diya badly, as she had made a mischief. I think, during the Christmas holidays. Diya got angry at her mother and disappeared. When everyone sat down for lunch in the a ernoon, Diya's mother didn't find her in her room. They searched for her everywhere but didn't find her in the house. Aunty got tense and called out to Vani atta. So, we came to her house. Do you know where she has hidden?" Said Arjun.

"Where?" They asked him.

"In Ananth uncle's wardrobe. She was eating cookies happily and playing with her Barbie doll", said Arjun.

Everyone burst out laughing, while Diya hid her face in Arjun's chest, embarrassed.

"You know, Arjun used to pee in his pants even when he was a 10year-old kid", said Diya, looking at Arjun with a teasing smile.

Now it's Arjun's time to get embarrassed.

"I know this. Aunty used to scold him everytime", said Ajay in

between his laughs.

'I'm feeling hungry", said Priya.

"Even we", said Aasha and Diya.

Prem and Ajay went to their bikes and brought instant noodle cups and gave them to everyone. They heated the water and poured it into the cups.

"Even Vidhi and Vishal could have come. They would have enjoyed it along with us, but they denied", said Aasha.

"Vishal is little shy. He needs time before mingling with the new people", said Diya."So, Aasha, when did you realize your love for Ajay?"

"When I came to know that Arun was cheating on me and was using me for his selfish motives, I was devastated because I loved him with all my heart. He started blackmailing me by using our private pictures and some morphed ones. I didn't understand what to do at that time. I know Annayya would be heartbroken if he came to know about Arun's deeds. If I told Priya, then she would definitely share it with Annayya. So, I thought I could handle it on my own. But one day, Ajay asked me what was wrong. I couldn't help but break down in front of him. If he hadn't come there at the right time, I didn't know what would have happened," said Aasha."I lost the belief in love a er his betrayal. If Arun gave me enough reasons to never believe in love again, then Ajay became the reason to believe in love once again. His small gestures, the way he asks me whether I had my meals or not, the way he gives importance to my decisions, the way he takes care of me like a baby and bears all my tantrums, the way he respects my choices and believes, his everything made me fall in love with him. Sometimes, I feel, why didn't I notice his love for me earlier? But then, we can't change what's written in our destiny, right? He might be a little boring, arrogant and rude, but I know his inner soul", Aasha said, with a smile playing on her lips, and she hugged him tightly

"Thank you for coming into my life, Jay." On the other hand, Ajay has tears of happiness in his eyes. He took her lips in a passionate kiss, pouring all his love into the kiss.

Diya looked at them with admiration. She just hoped that one day, Arjun would too, reciprocate her love. Yes, she has realised that she has fallen in love with her Jun.

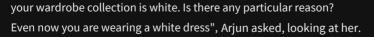
She excused herself and walked a little. She sat on a bench nearby, looking at the view in front of her and lost in her thoughts.



"This is so beautiful, right?" Arjun said, sitting beside her. Diya looked at Arjun and mumbled',Hmm." "Shall I ask you a question?" Arjun asked her.

"Yeah!" said Diya.

"Why are you obsessed with white? I mean, your room interiors are white and blue, your favourite car colour is white, more than half of





(Diya's look)

"My papa loves white colour a lot. That's one reason. And the other one, white, hides seven colours within it, just like how we hide our emotions inside our heart", Diya said, looking at the stars.

"Of course, I miss him. He is my hero and my first love. There isn't a day when I think of him. In my childhood, I used to stare at the door waiting for him to arrive. You knew, right? We couldn't even see him for the last time properly, as his body was burned badly due to the blast. I was really devastated, when I came to know about his death. But, I'm really proud of him. He sacrificed his life for his motherland. When we were kids, my brother used to wear my father's cap and say he would also join in the army. But a er losing my father, I was afraid. What if I lost him too? My grandfather retired before his tenure was completed, because of me. So, I took a promise from my brother and told him not to join in the army. I know, I have acted selfish, but I couldn't help it. I was depressed a er the death of my father", Diya said, getting emotional.

Arjun pulled her into a hug, comforting her.

"You miss him, don't you?" Arjun asked her.

"Thanks for making my day memorable, Arjun," she said, pecking his cheeks.

"Anything for my cookie", he said, kissing her forehead.

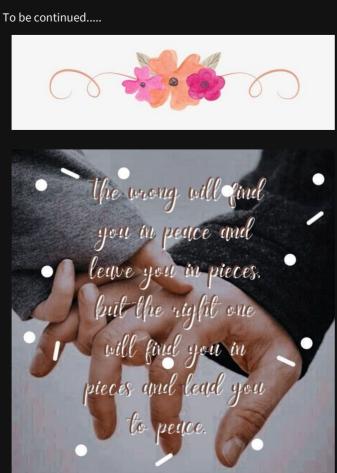
"I hope one day he will love her back", Priya said, looking at Arjun and Diya.

a

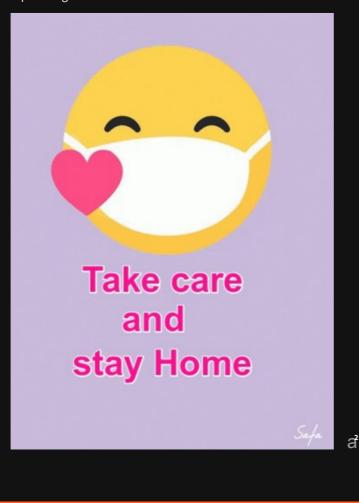
a

a

"He will", said Prem.



Hey guys!! I hope you guys liked the update. Precap: Diya witnessing Arjun's nightmare. Keep smiling and take car€



Continue reading next part 🛛