

This chapter is dedicated to Jin_papz.

Author's POV:

Janaki and Arpita who came to check on Arjun found them sleeping.

- They smiled looking at them and le from there locking the door.
- They moved down and saw Yash and Radha playing with the twins, and Avi working on his laptop.
- "Where is nanna and thatha?" Arpita asked Yash.

"They went to field", said Yash.

"They didn't even have their lunch", said Janaki.

"We will take carriage for them, don't worry", said Avi.

"You guys come and have your lunch. Diya and Ajju are sleeping", said Janaki.

"Varsha, Vansh come here", said Arpita.

They came running towards their mother.

"What will you eat dal rice or sweet rice?" Arpita asked them.

"Dal lice (rice)", said both them.

Arpita nodded her head and moved to the kitchen. Avi, Radha and Yash sat down to have their lunch. While Arpita was feeding the twins.

"Amma, whele (where) is mamu and atta?" Vansh asked his mother.

"They are sleeping baby", said Arpita.

"Amma, my small tummy full", Varsha said, rubbing her tummy.

Arpita glared at her daughter and stu ed her mouth with another morsel.

Yash smiled, looking at his daughter who was throwing tantrums to irritate their mother. (Such a naughty girl she is.)

A er some time, Avi and Yash along with the twins went to field to give lunch to Raghu and Jai.

Arjun opened his eyes and saw Diya who was sleeping, hugging him tight. He looked at her which lost it's glow.

"Why did you accept me, Cookie? Even a er all the pain I gave you. Because of my foolishness, I pushed my best friend away from me. There were many times when I didn't take a stand for you. Still, you decided to accept this broken man into your life. You deserve someone better, but then I couldn't see you with anyone else. With your charming smile, you lit a small hope in my dark life. But I'm afraid that in the process of spreading light in my life, you will fall into darkness", Arjun said, caressing Diya's face, who was sleeping peacefully.

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He kissed her forehead and got down o the bed. He moved to the washroom to freshen-up. A er some time, Diya opened her eyes and stretched her arms lazily. She looked at the other side of the bed and found it empty. She heard the sound of the shower and looked for her mobile. She unlocked it and found many calls and messages from her family and her assistant.

She tied her hair into a messy bun and set the bed. She called her assistant and was talking with her, standing near the window, when the washroom door opened. Arjun came out in a towel, whistling, wiping his hair with a hand towel.

She cut the call, and turned around and shouted Argh! Wear something, you idiot."

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

"You can ask questions later, but first tie your towel properly", she said, pointing at the towel that was hanging loosely on his waist.

He squealed and ran into the closet, making her chuckle. She then talked with her mother and moved to Arpita's room to get some clothes as she didn't bring her clothes with her. She knocked on the door and heard "come in". She moved inside and saw Arpita narrating stories to Vansh and Varsha.

"Vadina, I need a pair of your clothes", said Diya.

Arpita nodded her head and got down o the bed and moved to her closet.

"Atta, where is mamu?" Vansh asked, hopping on her back, garlanding his tiny arms around her neck.

"He is in his room", Diya said, pecking his cheeks.

"Okaiee", he said, pecking her cheeks.

"Is saree okay with you?" Arpita asked her.

"Yup!!" Said Diya, while playing with Vansh. Varsha was fast asleep cuddling her teddy.

Diya came out a er wrapping the saree with lots of di iculty.

Arpita laughed looking at her and asked hel'Don't you know how to wear a saree?"

Diya shook her head negatively and pouted. Arpita chuckled, listening to her and helped her.

Diya and Arpita came down a er tucking Vansh in the bed. Arjun, Diya, Arpita, and Janaki had their lunch and sat in the living room.

Arpita and Arjun were playing Xbox and shouting at each other. Diya and Janaki shook their heads at them and sat there talking about their patients.

"Akka this is cheating", said Arjun.

"I didn't do any cheating", Arpita said, narrowing her eyes at him.

"Yes, you did. You wantedly ate my favourite rasgulla in front of me without sharing it with me. I looked at you and you killed me", Arjun said, whining like a kid.

"Did I ask you to look at me? Anyways I won the match. So you have to take me for shopping", Arpita said, smirking at him.

"No, I won't. We will play another two matches. Then we will decide the winner", Arjun said, smirking at her.

"You said that I need to play one match and I played one and won. So, I'm winner", Arpita said, stubbornly.

"You won by cheating", Arjun said, glaring at her.

"I didn't do any cheating, veating", Arpita said, glaring him back.

"Aru, Ajju stop shouting like donkeys", Janaki said, irritated with their kiddish behavior. But deep down she was happy looking at them like that a er a long time.

Diya giggled, looking at them, And my mother says that I'm the crazy one in the world."

Arjun and Arpita glared at her and smirked, looking at each other. They sat on either side of Diya and started tickling her. Janaki smiled, looking at grown-up kids.

They were enjoying their time, when Chytra came inside crying. Behind her watchman came running inside, shouting her name. All their smiles, wiped o , looking at her.

"I tried to stop her, Amma, but that girl didn't listen to me", watchman apologized them.

"No problem, Ramu. Some people won't change", Janaki said, looking at Chytra.

"Why did you come?" Janaki asked, looking at her sternly.

But Chytra didn't listen to her words. She went towards Arjun and Diya. She looked at their intertwined hands and fumed.

"I know, you always have eyes on my man. So, finally your plan has succeeded", Chytra said, with a sly smile.

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Arpita was just controlling her anger, looking at the girl in front of her. How much does she want to kill her with her bare hands? Diya le Arjun's hand, listening to her.

"See, how she stayed mum? I know you wanted to take over the Medicare group of Hospitals. That's why, you accepted him even a er knowing everything. You may marry him, but you won't be able to make a place in his heart. That heart always belongs to me, am I right, baby?" Chytra said, smirking at Diya.

Arjun held Diya's hand tightly and yanked her towards him. She placed her hands on his chest due to the sudden pull. He placed his lips on hers taking them into a slow yet passionate kiss. Diya was taken aback due to the sudden kiss and stood there in a trance.

"Did he just steal her first kiss?" Diya thought in her mind.

"He did", said her subconscious.

She widened her eyes, and he could feel her captivating smile against his lips. He was kissing her, pouring down all his emotions, while she stood there under his spell letting him do whatever he wanted to do.

Arpita and Janaki whistled, looking at them, while Chytra looked at him wide-eyed.

And that's when the realisation hit Arjun that he was kissing her without her permission. They had their first kiss. Yes, it's Arjun's first kiss too. He never kissed Chytra. It was always a cute kiss on her cheeks or a loving kiss on her forehead. But they never shared a kiss.

Arjun broke the kiss and pecked her forehead, hiding her in his arms. She inhaled his masculine cologne, and enjoying the feel of him close to her. She could feel heat rising up to her cheeks.

Arjun closed his eyes and he could only see the smiling face of Diya.

He opened his eyes and looked at Chytra who was fuming, looking at their closeness. He laced his hand with hers and smiled, looking at Diya.

"Thank you, Miss Chytra. For betraying me in the past and teaching me a lesson. If not, then I would not have realised the meaning of true love. I now realise how foolish I was for trusting you blindly and for doing the things that you demanded me to do. I put you above my family and friends, which was the biggest mistake I have done in my life. I thought I loved you, but I have lately realised that I never loved you. It was just an attraction. What did you say? This heart belongs to you! That has to be the worst joke I've ever heard. You were the one who walked away from my life, saying that I forced you into the relationship. You made fun of my love, my emotions, and my dreams. You took advantage of my feelings and made me stand in front of the world as a molester. You came into my life silently and le, creating havoc and pushing me into the pit of darkness. Yes, I cried, and even thought of ending my life recklessly for a selfish and heartless person like you. But then I learnt my lesson. I'm glad that you are out of my life", Arjun said, looking at Chytra. a

"And what did you say? She has succeeded with her plan, then I will be grateful to her. I couldn't get someone in my life who understands me better. She was there to hold my hand through all of my ups and downs. She was not ashamed of my profession. In fact, she tells everyone proudly that her fiance is a farmer who is working hard to provide food for the people. She accepted me even a er knowing that I may or may not love her back and accepted all my flaws wholeheartedly. And you said something else. Wait, you said that she planned to become the chairman of the Medicare group of hospitals, right? Come out of your dreams, miss. She is not a girl who pretends to love a man because of his background or wealth. She is the only princess of "Murty's" and the heiress of the "Murty group of industries". If people are respecting her today, then it's because of her hard work and down-to-earth nature. She would have been in a higher position than this within a snap of her fingers, but she didn't. She worked hard day and night to achieve her dreams. Next time, think a thousand times before you speak a word about her. I might have spared you for all the things you have done to me. But I won't tolerate it if you speak bad about her or anyone in my family." Arjun said, glaring at Chytra.

Diya smiled, in between her tears, listening to his words. Janaki and Arpita looked at him proudly and thanked God a thousand times for sending Diya into his life.

While Chytra stood there dumbfounded, he never spoke about her like that. She looked at Arjun's eyes, which were twinkling when he was talking about Diya. It didn't take much time for her to realise that Arjun was falling for Diya.

Arjun looked at Diya and kneeled down in front of her, making her gasp.

"I'm sorry, Cookie. I know a mere apology is not going to erase the pain you have gone through because of me. I wish I could turn back time and correct all my mistakes, but I can't. I made a stupid decision and I paid for it. I don't know why you agreed to the alliance when my family approached you. But thanks for accepting this stupid in your life and making me lucky. I'm asking you now: Will you give me the chance to steal your last name and become Mrs. Diya Arjun Reddy?" He asked, looking into her eyes.

Arpita, Janaki, and Radha hooted, listening to his proposal. And our naughty twins, who came a while ago along with Radha, were cheering for their mama.

Diya kneeled down in front of him and said,Yes!"

She pulled him into a tight hug and burst into tears. She was tired of hearing taunts from her colleagues and from the people around her who were saying that she had trapped Arjun and got a golden chance. She might have shown them their right places, but their words still prick her heart.

"I guess you have got your answers, Miss Chytra. Will you leave on your own or shall I call the security?" Arpita said, sternly.

Chytra le from there stomping her feet.

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They looked at Diya who was still crying silently in Arjun's arms.

- "Shh, calm down, Cookie. What happened? Why are crying like this?" Arjun said, caressing her hair.
- But Diya didn't speak anything.

"Ajju take her to your room", said Janaki.

Arjun nodded his head and picked up Diya in his arms. She clutched his shirt tightly in her small fist and hid her face in the crook of his neck. He made her sit on the bed and locked the door with his mobile. He felt a pang in his heart, looking at her red-swollen eyes.

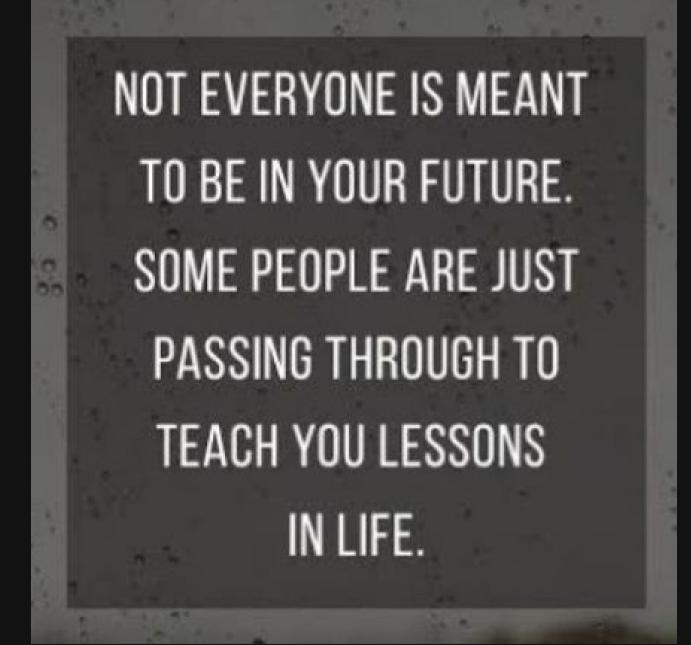
"Cookie, what happened?" He asked, wiping o her tears.

But she stayed mum, making him feel helpless.

"Sleep for sometime", he said, kissing her forehead.

She lied down on the bed and dri ed into sleep within no time. Arjun covered her with a blanket and moved to the balcony.

He lit a cigar and sat on the swing, looking at the sunset. He thought she was crying because of the kiss. He felt guilty and ashamed of himself for kissing her without her permission, and that too, in front of everyone. He decided to maintain some distance. He doesn't want to lose her. He didn't have energy to go through another heartbreak and collect his broken pieces.



Holla peeps!!

How is the update?

Hope you guys have liked it.

Few words about Arjun.

Few words about Diya.

Do share your views. Will be back with another update.

Keep smiling and take car 🏵 👘



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