

Physician Wife 1491

Chapter 1491: 30000 Rats

“Think quick. Other than offending the Nangong family, who else has our Shi family offended recently?”

“Other than the Nangong family, who else dares to challenge us like this?” Shi Gen snorted coldly. “This matter is most likely done by the Nangong family. A few days ago, Yalin sent someone to assassinate Nangong Nuannuan, but all the people we sent died. Not only were their wrists sliced off by sharp weapons, but their lives also ended in a single shot. I wonder who they hired to protect their granddaughter. The most hateful thing is that the person who killed us did not even dispose of the corpses. So many cars and corpses were left on the mountain road like that, and exposed to so many people. I had to pay a huge price to clean up the aftermath. It’s absolutely despicable!”

“What?” Shi Maowen was shocked. “Dad, how could you agree to let Yalin do such a thing? I’ve already told you, it’s not the time for us to fight the Nangong family to the death yet. You can’t force the Nangong family into a corner. Yet, you... You clearly know that Nangong Nuannuan is very important to the Nangong family, but you allowed Yalin to do such a thing anyway!”

“I was too angry, alright? Do you know how difficult it is to deal with that Nangong Nuannuan? I merely sent someone to Tianheng Holdings to mess with her—they examined her fire safety, and then, mess with Tianheng Holdings’ taxes. In the end, she sent tens of thousands of rats into Fortune Group’s headquarters. We used a whole month just to catch rats in such an impressive corporation because of her. Most of the thirty thousand rats even burrowed into the ceiling and floor crevices, with many still hiding inside. It nearly angered your eldest brother to his death. Coupled with the humiliation that Yalin and I suffered at the Chi residence previously, even I can’t take this lying down, what more Yalin.”

Shi Maowen had never wanted to lash out at Shi Gen so badly. He took a few deep breaths before huffing, “Dad, do you know how serious the blow to our Shi family is because you can’t swallow your anger? We have fewer people than the Nangong family who we can use in the military base and the executive hall already. This time, however, we lost a corps commander and two senior assistants in the executive hall. One of them even has a good relationship with Dong Zhao. This affects me too much.

“Dad, you know that I’m treading on thin ice in the bureaucracy right now. Although the president has always been amicable toward me, his attitude shows that he’s more inclined to side with the Nangong family. When he talks to Dong Zhao, he’s even more amiable to Dong Zhao than when he talks to me.

“Dad, you’ve failed once a few decades ago. Have you already forgotten that painful lesson? You had all the advantages on your side, but you lost to the Nangong family in the end. Why? That’s because you’re always grumpier than Nangong Renyi. It’s easier to make mistakes when you have the upper hand.”

After being reprimanded by his son, Old Master Shi felt a little embarrassed. He grumbled angrily, “I agreed to let Yalin send people to kill people because of you, okay? When I came back from the Chi residence previously, I told you that Chi Yang has been bewitched by that little girl from the Nangong family. The entire Chi family is on the Nangong family’s side now. If we don’t get rid of Nangong Nuannuan, Chi Yang will never stand on our side. When that time comes, you can kiss your presidential dreams goodbye!”

“Dad, do you think that without Nangong Nuannuan, Chi Yang would be on our side? Old Master Chi and Old Master Nangong are friends that have gone through life and death together. Is your relationship with the Chi family comparable to the Nangong family?”

Chapter 1492: So Amazing

“Yalin likes Chi Yang, though. If we let Yalin marry Chi Yang, then we...”

“Dad, stop! When Eldest Brother and Sister-In-Law said that they wanted to match Yalin up with Chi Yang, I’ve already realized how implausible it is.”

“In spite of the common saying that other people’s wives are always better while your own sons are always better, Chi Yang is already a lieutenant general at such a young age. He’s not someone a girl like Yalin can handle. Yalin likes Chi Yang, but she needs Chi Yang to reciprocate her feelings first! If I were Chi Yang, I wouldn’t like Yalin either.”

Shi Maowen’s words made Old Master Shi completely silent.

“Nangong Nuannuan is not as harmless as we think she is. Previously, my men investigated Tianheng Holdings and discovered how extraordinary this company is. For this company to bloom all over the world at the same time, it’s an economic feat that even the Shi family would find difficult to achieve. However, Nangong Nuannuan was a mere 12-year-old girl back then. How did she manage to do it? Therefore, I feel that what happened this time was not Nangong’s doing, but Nangong Nuannuan’s doing.”

“Nangong Nuannuan?” Old Master Shi was still in stubborn disbelief.

“I’ve seen the video of the auction in Jiang District. As Duke Eton mentioned, Tianheng Holdings belonged to her, and she was the one who built this empire. I don’t believe it at all. Just like you said, she was only 12 years old. How could a 12-year-old girl have procured so much wealth?”

Shi Maowen continued, “But if this was done by the Nangong family, do you think they would just ruin just five of us like this? Based on the Nangong family’s protective nature, they would probably fight us to the death.”

Shi Maowen’s words hit the nail on the head.

After some careful consideration, if the Nangong family already knew about this, the Shi family would have greater problems today.

“So, you’re saying that Nangong Nuannuan is behind this?”

“I think it should be her,” Shi Maowen said.

“How did she manage to remove five of our people? Where did her videos come from?”

“I’ve already asked someone about this. The person said that there might be a super hacker with Nangong Nuannuan. If the person could hack the satellite, they could still capture everything that

people did without a camera. After my man looked at the videos, he was 90% sure that Nangong Nuannuan's hacker intercepted the videos from the satellite, based on the video quality."

At this point, Shi Maowen suddenly thought of something and asked, "Dad, when did Shi Yalin order the attack on Nangong Nuannuan?"

"On the 26th. Why?"

"the 26th is exactly five days away from today." Shi Maowen's voice was heavy.

"What's wrong with five days? Is there..." Before Old Master Shi could finish his sentence, he was reminded of what happened today.

There were a total of five people from the Shi family who were ruined!

"It's really her!" Old Master Shi felt like there was a huge rock pressing on his chest.

He could not understand why the granddaughter of the Nangong family could be so much more outstanding than his granddaughter when they were both of the same generation.

"How... how could she be so powerful? Where did she get the people for this?" Old Master Shi was shocked. It was only now that he realized how terrifying Nangong Nuannuan was.

On the other side of the line, Shi Maowen was silent for a long time.

"A woman who's able to establish Tianheng Holdings at the age of twelve; a woman who manages to become Luntanese royalty even though she has eastern blood.. There is definitely more than meets the eye when it comes to Nangong Nuannuan."

Chapter 1493: Disappointed

"Fortunately, Nangong Nuannuan hasn't told the Nangong family about this. This also gives us some leeway so that the Nangong family won't have a fallout with us starting now. "

Hearing that, Old Master Shi snorted. "Hmph, at least she knows what's good for her. Even so, Yalin merely sent killers after her. Since she has experts protecting her, she should be content when she killed everyone we sent. Yet, she went so far as to destroy five people from the Shi family. This is simply..."

"Dad! You should be glad that she only dealt with five people from the Shi family when she can do so much more. The Shi family has deep roots, and who wouldn't have something against us? If she had chosen to destroy Brother-in-law today and removed him from his position as the Commander-in-chief of the military base's south-eastern division, what should we do?"

Old Master Shi immediately fell silent.

"So listen to me and stop pursuing this matter. Regarding Nangong Nuannuan, if possible, I hope you can let Yalin step forward and sincerely apologize to her, with compensation."

"It's not like you don't know Yalin's personality. She mightn't be able to apologize to Nangong Nuannuan. Also, although the assassins that Yalin sent out this time were not of a high rank, they were all chosen from among suicidal warriors. They were absolutely loyal to the Shi family. Even if Nangong

Nuannuan were to suspect the Shi family, she'd have no evidence to prove that the Shi family is behind this. So, this matter..."

Old Master Shi was still talking when Shi Maowen hung up.

Shi Maowen, who had hung up the phone, slowly walked down the steps and blended into the crowd that had yet to completely disperse. He pretended to be friendly with the people inside and tried his best to win over the people who were not on his side yet.

The old master's reaction really disappointed him.

In the past, his father was inches away from being the president. However, due to his carelessness and stubbornness, not only did he miss out on that position, but he was also forced out of the power center where decisions were made.

Thankfully, the Shi family had a large family business, which allowed them to make a comeback in a few decades.

Strangely, this father of his could maintain the attitude of a superior when facing anyone or any organization. However, when it came to the Nangong family, everything could stir up memories from the past that he painstakingly sealed away and the embarrassment that the incident brought him.

Therefore, all these years, he did everything he could to step all over the Nangong family.

However, he was just not smart enough. No matter how strong the Shi family was, the Nangong family kept growing stronger. To look down on the opponent was the greatest cruelty to oneself.

However, Shi Maowen knew his father's temper very well. Once he decided on something, not even ten bulls pulling him could stop him.

On the surface, the members of the Shi family seemed to be in cahoots, but in reality, everyone was in it for personal gains.

At this moment, Shi Maowen had only despair for the Shi family.

Perhaps the Shi family would only be enlightened if they really hit the southern wall!

He only hoped that the Shi family would be able to make a comeback after crashing into the southern wall. Otherwise, the chances on his side would be slim.

While Shi Maowen was still wondering whether the Shi family could make a comeback after hitting the wall, something happened to the Shi family that could easily make them vomit blood.

Today, there was a land auction in South City. This land area was the largest land auctioned in Emperor District in the past five years.

The Shi family had long set their eyes on this piece of land and had already made private arrangements with the people in charge. This piece of land was a must-have for Fortune Group.

In another month, there would be another work meeting at the executive hall. Next to that piece of land would be the new address for the administrative office in South City..

Chapter 1494: Opposition

South City was the new city area that the country was going to spend a huge sum of money to build. The relocation of the South City Administrative Office would definitely bring about the rapid development of that area. At that time, the property prices in this area would increase greatly.

The piece of land that was being auctioned today was a combination of commercial and residential property. When Fortune Group obtained the blueprint for this piece of land a few days ago, Fortune Group had already completed its design. They were going to build a super large mixed-use compound outside that would rank first among mixed-use compounds in South City. Then, they would build a high-end residential area at the back.

Due to the excessive size of the plot of land, they had to split it into six stages to develop the residential area alone. When the time came, the plot of land would become the most luxurious residential area in South City.

The land price here was still considered cheap. After a month, it would skyrocket, so Fortune Group had high hopes for this piece of land. Once they had successfully obtained this piece of land, they would earn at least ten billion in net profit.

Further complemented by a large-scale economic entity, the land would provide them with a steady stream of income.

Shi Maode, the chairman of Fortune Group and also Shi Yalin's father, personally attended the auction for this piece of land.

This was because there was a member from the Shi family's collateral relatives who was now the director of Emperor District's Urban Development Department. Meanwhile, this urban development plan had not been made public yet, and only the Shi family knew about it.

Therefore, even if the Nangong family's Imperial Palace Group, Eagle Eye Group, Shengyang Group, Ningwen Group, and Xiao family's Welkin Group were present today, Shi Maode knew that the land would belong to his Fortune Group today!

After all, those families still did not know the exact value of this land, and his price would definitely be the highest among them.

Almost everyone was present at the auction.

Shi Maode glanced at Shengyang Group and Eagle Eye Group.

Shengyang Group and Eagle Eye Group had always been mysterious—the chairman of Shengyang Group had never shown his face. Although the chairman of Eagle Eye Group revealed his face before, the chairman was a person without any status or background. His name was so ordinary that it made one's hair stand on end—Liao Chuan.

However, how could any ordinary person be in possession of two corporations that joined the ranks of the first-tier wealthy families using their status as mere corporations?

Therefore, at this land auction, Shi Maode especially took a look at Shengyang Group and Eagle Eye Group, the two large corporations that received acknowledgment to become first-tier wealthy families at the same time. He wanted to see if the people who came today were still those two unremarkable people.

It was as he expected.

It was still the same tall, average, and sturdy-built man from Eagle Eye Group whose name could not even be found when thrown into the crowd—Liao Chuan.

Meanwhile, it was still the same CEO from Shengyang Group; not the hidden mastermind who controlled all the power.

The person representing Imperial Palace Group was the vice president of Imperial Palace Group, the Nangong family's Third Young Master—Nangong Yun.

Beside Nangong Yun sat a girl.

Even though Shi Maode had never seen this girl in person, he had watched many videos about her. This person was none other than the woman who had stolen his Yalin's fiancé, Nangong Nuannuan.

Yes, in the eyes of the Shi family, Chi Yang was Shi Yalin's fiancé even if the Chi family had never agreed to it.

They would only allow Chi Yang to be the son-in-law of the Shi family.

Therefore, when Shi Maode saw Nangong Nuannuan, his eyes were filled with malice. This woman should consider herself lucky. Five days ago, the Shi family had sent so many killers, but none of them had been able to kill her. Luck was on her side.

Nangong Nuannuan was talking to Nangong Yun when she suddenly felt someone looking at her.. She raised her head and met the person's gaze.

Chapter 1495: Rich And Capable

When Shi Maode saw Nangong Nuannuan looking at him, he was about to hide the malice in his eyes. Little did he expect Nuannuan, who would never allow herself to be at a disadvantage even if it was just a look, to immediately speak up.

"Why is Chairman Shi looking at me like that? People who know us will realize that this is our first time meeting. Those who don't know might guess that whatever bad things Chairman Shi did to me failed, and this is why you're looking this angry."

Nangong Yun raised his head and shot a sharp gaze at Shi Maode. He did not even grant Shi Maode the courtesy and modesty a junior should have when meeting an elder.

How dare Shi Maode look at his Nuannuan like that? Did Shi Maode think her elder brother was dead?

Therefore, almost as soon as Nuannuan finished speaking, Nangong Yun taunted, "It's not necessarily true that he would do something bad to you. However, it's true that his daughter, Shi Yalin, wants to

separate you and Chi Yang. It's a pity that Chi Yang will only love my younger sister in this lifetime, so Chairman Shi should take care to control your daughter properly. Don't be a bad apple at such a young age. After all, being the third person in a relationship isn't something to be proud of."

Shi Maode was infuriated.

He had not yet gotten angry over the grievances his father and daughter had suffered in the Chi residence that day. He had originally wanted to teach Nangong Nuannuan a lesson so that she would take it down a notch, but he did not expect that he would be rebuked instead.

"What a sharp-tongued little girl. Does Chi Yang know how detestable your tongue is when you're outside? Must you be so unpresentable?" Shi Maode told Nuannuan off in a cold voice.

Nuannuan found it funny and laughed.

"Chairman Shi, are you talking about your daughter? By the way, does your daughter have some sort of unspeakable illness? I heard she's not even 18 yet. Why did she insist on hooking up when she visited someone's place? She clearly knew that the man already has a fiancée, too. After failing in her attempt, she got angry instead. In this day and age, I've only heard that women with poor family backgrounds wanted to marry desperately. It's really rare to see someone like her, who comes from a rich family, to be so desperate to get married."

"Desperate to get married? My daughter has kept her hands to herself, and there's a queue of men pursuing her hand in marriage from the house gate to the gate of the city. She simply hasn't accepted any of them. Unlike some people, who are about the same age as my daughter; she's not even an adult yet, but have already openly moved into the man's home. Compared to having no shame, I'd rather my daughter be desperate for marriage."

"Chairman Shi, you have to be responsible for what you say. Even though my younger sister and brother-in-law aren't married yet, the military base has already approved it. To put it bluntly, they're already legally married to each other in the military base. However, since my sister isn't 18 yet, they're just missing the booklet. The military base has already acknowledged them as husband and wife, so how did my sister become a shameless person who's blatantly living in a man's house before getting married? There are cameras here. Aren't you afraid that I'll send the surveillance video here to the military base and get them to clear my sister's name?" Nangong Yun's expression was grave.

How dare this man call his sister shameless? This was unforgivable.

Yet, Nuannuan was still smiling.

"If someone like me, who has the military base's approval, is considered shameless, what about your daughter who came to my fiancé and tried to poach him? I wonder if calling her shameless is doing her a favor. People like her isn't just shameless, she needs to have her sense of morality checked too!

"Furthermore, I'm confident that my family background is better than your daughter's.. I'm prettier, richer, and more capable than your daughter too."

Chapter 1496: Tianheng Holdings Joining Real Estate

“However, I’m not someone who likes to trouble others. Therefore, I’ll reject anyone who has a crush on me immediately. I’ll never hinder someone from pursuing the joys of youth. Chairman Shi, you said that your daughter’s suitors can line up all the way to the city gate. She’s taking up so much of those talented young men’s time and enjoying the fruits of their pursuit, while never responding to their feelings. Won’t she feel guilty?”

Other than the people from the Four Dominant Families, there were also corporations from many second and third-tier wealthy families. Seeing Shi Maode and the Nangong family arguing, everyone pricked up their ears to listen.

If they listened to the beginning of the conversation, people might think that Nangong Nuannuan was indeed a halfway rich daughter from a wealthy family—she did not act like a socialite at all.

After listening to the later parts of the conversation, it was only later that they found out that Nangong Nuannuan and Chi Yang were engaged, and it was a military marriage. The military base had already agreed to it, but the Shi family still insisted on interfering with the military marriage by pushing Shi Yalin to Chi Yang.

Knowing this, everyone knew who was right and who was wrong.

Shi Maode realized that he could not win in this argument against Nangong Nuannuan and slander her with his words. He sneered and said, “Little Girl, in this world, strength speaks, not the men you’re married to.”

Nangong Nuannuan replied bluntly, “Yes, that’s why I feel that it’s necessary to have my own business. I wonder if Miss Shi is on the same page as Chairman Shi?”

“Hmph.” Shi Maode realized that he could not come up with any other retort. He could only snort coldly. “Then, I wish the Nangong family good luck in taking this piece of land.”

After saying that, he turned around, refusing to be snubbed anymore. However, deep down, he agreed with his daughter’s plan to hire someone to kill this woman.

This woman was definitely not easy to deal with. Leaving this woman behind would only bring trouble.

Therefore, since she did not die this time, he would do it himself next time.

After Shi Maode was defeated, he no longer spoke to the two brats of the Nangong family and turned his head away.

After a while, the people from the bidding agency arrived.

“Alright, please take your seats.”

After saying this, Nangong Nuannuan stood up from Nangong Yun’s side.

Her action confused everyone. The bidding was about to start, so why was she still standing up?

In the end, everyone’s gaze followed Nangong Nuannuan as she traveled halfway across the venue before sitting down at a seat far away from Imperial Palace Group.

When the staff saw this, they immediately set up a place card on it.

“I’m sorry. When I saw you sitting there, I thought you wouldn’t come over. This is your place card.”

Nangong Nuannuan nodded and shifted her focus back on the staff of the bidding agency. It was then that everyone realized that Nangong Nuannuan was not attending the auction with Nangong Yun. She was not representing Imperial Palace Group either—she was representing Tianheng Holdings.

Those from the Nangong and Shi families who already knew about Nuannuan’s identity were naturally not too surprised. However, those who were not familiar with Nuannuan and only knew that she was the precious daughter of the Nangong family were extremely shocked when they saw her sitting on the seat of Tianheng Holdings as she represented Tianheng to bid. They all wanted to ask Nangong Nuannuan what her relationship with the mysterious Tianheng Holdings was.

However, the people participating in the bidding today were all the bigshots from various corporations.. After all, their investment this time was estimated to be around forty billion. Since Nangong Nuannuan was able to represent Tianheng Holdings to participate in the bidding, did that mean that... Nangong Nuannuan was one of the higher-ups in Tianheng Holdings, or even one of their chairpeople?

Chapter 1497: Super High

Tianheng Holdings had always been a magical corporation in the hearts of many businessmen. It appeared out of nowhere and flourished everywhere. All of a sudden, it dominated the world by becoming the top household name in the field of department stores.

Today, would they be getting involved in the real estate industry?

“Hello, everyone. Welcome to the auction for the S-D plot of the South City Economic Development Zone. There are many well-known companies here today, and I believe you all know each other very well already. Allow me to introduce a new company today. With a comprehensive A-class qualification, this new company finally joins our auction today. Whether as a company or a person, I believe everyone is familiar with this name. This company is none other than Tianheng Holdings. At the same time, I’d like to thank the chairman of Tianheng Holdings, Ms. Nangong Nuannuan, for participating in this bid.”

Then, the auctioneer led the applause.

Everyone clapped along with him while still dazed by the surprising announcement.

Tianheng Holdings was a foreign business with extremely powerful funds. Previously, it had always been the CEO, Aiden, who was in charge of everything. Anyone from any major family planned to find out Aiden’s identity. However, this person built great defenses from getting scouted. Add to that Tianheng’s deep financial support, many people could not help but wonder who the boss behind Tianheng Holdings was.

Now that it had finally been revealed, everyone was completely stunned.

It was Nangong Nuannuan!

The granddaughter whom the Nangong family had acknowledged not long ago!

Five years ago, she should still be a child, right?

How did she manage to establish Tianheng Holdings and build it into what it was today?

Without giving everyone time to be shocked, the auctioneer continued, "Now, let's get back to the main event of the day. South City Economic Development Zone, S-D plot is a dual-purpose plot of land for commercial and residential use. It has a total of xx hectares, with a capacity of xx%, and the largest building area is xxx hundred thousand square meters. This is the first time in five years that South City is able to auction off such a large plot of land. This is the time for the rapid development of real estate. Our population is gradually increasing, but the number of available lands is decreasing. I'm sure I don't need to elaborate more on the commercial and residential utility of this plot of land. Based on the current land prices, the Licensing Department in the executive hall will offer a minimum price of 67000 per square meter, which is a total of 31.8 billion yuan. The specific details have been released before the auction. According to our rules, we will allow everyone 15 minutes to bid on this piece of land. Please write the amount you are offering on the iPad given to you and we will announce the highest bidder immediately. This plot of land will go to the highest bidder."

The price of the building alone was 67000 bucks per square meter. After bidding for the land, the cost for manpower, construction fees, materials fees, and various administrative fees would have to be accounted for. There would definitely be an additional hundred thousand to be added to the cost. In addition, the developer would want to earn a little bit more from the sales margin. Based on the starting price, even if it was not being put forward in an auction, the building would be offered at 130000 bucks per square meter to sell.

Although 130000 bucks per square meter were not considered expensive in Emperor District, South City Economic Development Area was quite far from the city center. The public facilities were not considered complete, and it would take some time for this area to develop. Thus, 130000 bucks per square meter were considered expensive.

However, this was not the price offered at the auction.

Looking at the surrounding buildings, their sales prices were basically around a hundred thousand. This building complex would become a landmark after it was built, it would be normal for the average price to have an increment of twenty or thirty thousand bucks. However, if the price went up too high, it might ruin the building instead.

Initially, everyone thought that 30 billion would be enough to buy this plot of land. Now, the starting price was 31.8 billion, which directly exceeded the limit of many third-tier and second-tier wealthy corporations.

Chapter 1498: The Shi Family's Intentions

One had to know that many third-tier wealthy families only had less than 20 billion bucks in their total assets. If they were to take out 30 billion, it would be akin to mortgaging all their assets. They might have to borrow a lot of money too. Therefore, if the starting price was more than 30 billion bucks, none of the third-tier wealthy families would have a chance to obtain this fat piece of meat.

If a second-tier wealthy family wanted to fight for this plot of land, they would also face considerable difficulties. Those who could enter the ranks of second-tier wealthy families would have accrued a total

of 50 billion in assets. However, this 50 billion was often divided into different areas. Thus, if they really wanted to take out 30 billion, they would still have to spend a lot of money to get a loan.

Therefore, after the auction staff announced the starting price, all the third-tier wealthy families gave up at the same time, and more than half of the second-tier wealthy families gave up as well. Only the first-tier wealthy families participated in the bid, along with Shengyang Group, Eagle Eye Group, and Tianheng Holdings.

Shi Maode glanced at Nangong Yun, who was still hesitating, as well as Shengyang Group and Eagle Eye Group, who had already begun to fill in their numbers. Finally, he looked at Nangong Nuannuan, who had also started to fill in the data without hesitation, and sneered in his heart.

He was long informed of the starting bid before, and he knew how much the land would appreciate in the future.

According to the land auction rules, the floating price of the auction price could not exceed 20%. The starting price of this piece of land was 31.8 billion, and it would be 38.16 billion if it rose up to 20%. If the bid exceeded 38.16 billion, it would be regarded as a failed bid. The executive hall would make adjustments to the land price through the bidding price of this auction and wait for the next auction.

It was normal for failed bids to appear when auctioning land plots. However, this piece of land was auctioned at a ridiculously high price in the first place. Before bringing up the second-tier wealthy families, even first-tier wealthy families like the Shi family would find it difficult to fork out more than 30 billion that they had in their idle funds. In simpler terms, it was easier for first-tier wealthy families to obtain loans because their repayment ability was stronger.

Therefore, Shi Maode believed that none of these people would increase the bidding price all the way to 20%.

Only he knew that even if he increased it by 40%, this piece of land would still bring great benefits as the area developed.

Therefore, Shi Maode wrote 38.1 billion on his page and increased the price by 20%. He only omitted the 60 million yuan.

After filling in the bids, the staff summarized the bids that the bigshots had filled out and then revealed them one by one in public.

“Yarun Group forfeits.”

“Gongsheng Group forfeits.”

“Qingfeng Group forfeits.”

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The staff listed around a dozen companies and their positions in a single breath; all of them had chosen to forfeit.

After that, the staff read out the bids of three second-tier wealthy families. One increased their bid by 5%, and the other by 6%. However, everyone knew that the price offered by the first-tier wealthy

families would far exceed this amount. Therefore, these three second-tier wealthy families proposed the bid to try their luck.

“Ningwen Group, 12 percentage points added, bid 35.61 billion.”

“Welkin Group, increase by 12 percentage points, bid 35.6 billion.”

“Imperial Palace Group, 13 percentage points added, bid 35.934 billion.”

“Shengyang Group, 13 percentage points added, bid 35.9 billion.”

“Eagle Eye Group, 15 percentage points added, bid 3.657 billion.”

When Shi Maode heard the offers listed out by the auctioneer, he was secretly gleeful. He was sure that this piece of land would belong to him.

No one knew about this plan and the Shi family had already removed all news of it, even now.. Therefore, no matter how good anyone’s foresight was, they would at most raise the price point equivalent to Eagle Eye Group, and not more.

Chapter 1499: Taking Advantage of the Situation

Shi Maode might be a little worried if Imperial Phoenix Group was present in this auction. Other than that, he did not think that anyone would bid for this piece of land at the same price as him.

“Fortune Group, increase by 20 percentage points, bid 38.1 billion.”

When the auctioneer announced the bid that Shi Maode had filled out, everyone’s eyes were immediately shifted toward him.

Everyone present was a bigshot, and they were all familiar with each other’s backgrounds. Although this piece of land was huge, it was not worth that much money based on the current development plan.

All the bosses had invested nearly similar amounts of money, but only Fortune Group had invested so much more. If anyone dared to claim that there was nothing fishy about this, nobody would believe it.

When they heard that Shi Maode had increased the bid by 20%, they recalled the Shi family’s relationship with the Urban Development Department and realized—

The land would soon appreciate.

Although they did not know how the value of this piece of land would appreciate or how much it would appreciate, all the bigshots were simply busy being dismayed at this moment. They did not expect that the Shi family would gain the upper hand.

Since the Shi family was willing to buy this piece of land at a 20% increment, it meant that the price of this piece of land would definitely appreciate much higher than the current offered price.

Shi Maode became the center of attention as everyone’s unreadable eyes shifted toward him, feeling gleeful.

Now that everyone was already giving him this look, everyone would be even more envious when this piece of land appreciated more than 70%.

Since the Shi family's offer was the highest among all the previous families, the auctioneer paused for a moment before reporting the rest.

"Tianheng Holdings, increase by 20 percentage points... bid... 38.101 billion."

"What?!"

Shi Maode leaped from his chair in shock.

How was that possible?!

Why would Nangong Nuannuan bid at such a high price?

Most importantly, Shi Maode did not expect anyone would offer a higher price than him. Since the highest price increase at 20% was actually 38.16 billion, Shi Maode did not bother adding the 60 million to the price he offered since he was sure that he was already the highest bidder.

However, it was precisely the 60 million he ignored that allowed Nangong Nuannuan to take advantage of the situation.

A mere one million bucks lost him a business that was worth at least 38 billion bucks.

This was simply... an understatement to call it "regret".

It was inaccurate to describe him as being angry.

A net profit of 38 billion or more was definitely a great temptation even for first-tier wealthy families. The Shi family could win over many people with this money.

Recently, the Nangong family had made the Shi family lose out in the business world several times. Coupled with the huge expenditure from the Medic Association Hospital, the Shi family had their eyes on this piece of land a long time ago and treated it as their own property.

By spending around 6 billion or so, they could earn close to 40 billion in the future. Anyone would fight for this kind of business. The Shi family had been eyeing this opportunity and had thought that they would definitely win. They had not expected Nangong Nuannuan to pop up and ruin their plans.

How could Shi Maode let this go?

"How did you manage to make such a high offer? You cheated!"

Shi Maode's face flushed red. As his blood boiled and his veins popped all over his face, he looked abnormal.

Similar to when Shi Maode called her shameless just now, Nangong Nuannuan smiled as brightly as a blooming flower in spring.

"Chairman Shi, everyone is bidding for this piece of land.. I'm merely competing with everyone based on the price because I have great hopes for this plot of land. How can you say that I cheated? Are you... slandering me?"

Chapter 1500: Shameless

“Chairman Shi, defamation is also a crime.” As an elder brother, Nangong Yun had a natural instinct to protect his younger sister. As long as Shi Maode said anything bad about his younger sister, Nangong Yun would immediately jump out like a protective lioness to protect Nangong Nuannuan.

Shi Maode could feel his blood boiling and the energy inside his body in disarray; his left chest began to hurt. He endured the pain and exclaimed, “If she didn’t cheat, how did she manage to buy this piece of land by offering just 1 million more than my bidding price?”

“A million more than you is cheating? If I really did cheat, then I wouldn’t be offering one million more than you. I’d only offer one dollar more than you!

“You... Nangong Nuannuan, what do you mean by that? This piece of land is something that my Shi family wants. I advise you to retract your offer just now.”

“Do you think I’ll listen to you just because you tell me to? Who are you to me?”

“Nangong Nuannuan, you’re a younger generation from the Nangong family. The Shi family and the Nangong family bump into each other too frequently. It’s best not to make things too difficult.” Shi Maode’s heart was already hurting more and more. This piece of land was probably the best that the Shi family had seen in the past ten years. There was nothing that could make him give up this piece of land!

If Nangong Nuannuan did not give up on acquiring this land, this auction would be a successful one.

However, the Shi family could not give up this piece of land.

Therefore, Shi Maode could only threaten her.

He hoped that Nangong Nuannuan would understand what he was implying and give up acquiring this piece of land.

“So, Chairman Shi understands the concept of not making things difficult. That’s great. Then, please restrain those random cats and dogs around you. Otherwise... Since the Nangong and Shi families bump into each other frequently, the outcome might not be what you want to see if you make things too ugly.”

Shi Maode narrowed his eyes. “What do you mean?”

“I mean it literally.”

After saying that, Nangong Nuannuan looked at the auctioneer and said, “The bid has ended. Can we announce the name of the buyer?”

The auctioneer from the bidding agency looked at Shi Maode awkwardly.

After all, the Shi family had everything arranged, starting from the people from the executive hall to the people from the bidding agency. However, Fortune Group was not the one to obtain the plot of land. This made it very difficult for them to report to their superiors!

At the same time, he lamented at how powerful Tianheng Holdings had proven itself to be for a company that came from a foreign country. They paid 38 billion at a whim, just like that. They were so rich it was unbelievable.

Shi Maode noticed that the auctioneer were looking at him. Although Shi Maode clearly knew that there was no problem with the bidding, he wanted to do everything in his power to make sure that the Shi family could take over the plot of land. Therefore, he said, "I feel that there's something fishy about this bid, so I'm raising my objection here. I hope that the bidding agency and the relevant departments of the executive hall can choose another day for another bidding attempt."

"Chairman Shi, you're the chairman of Fortune Group after all. How could you do something so shameless in public?"

"Nangong Yun, who are you calling shameless? The bid started at a price that was greater than 30 billion. If there's nothing fishy about it, would your sister be able to top my Fortune Group by a mere one million?" Shi Maode asked angrily.

"I've always heard that the Shi family doesn't care much about their reputation. Since I haven't interacted much with people from the Shi family before, I didn't think much of it. Today, I've witnessed this for myself."

Shi Maode looked at the person who spoke. This was the person from the Eagle Eye Group who had an ordinary appearance, an ordinary name, and zero background. Even so, even the Shi family could not do anything to shake his existence.

Liao Chuan had always kept a low profile and was not the kind of person who would casually make enemies.