

## Valiant Life 781

Chapter 781: This banner is quite good

The girls left. Fraud Tian felt very pleased. There was an indescribable joy in him.

Then, he shook his body in front of Zhao Zhong Yang. “Did you see that? If you want to stop being single, you have to spontaneously attack.”

Zhao Zhong Yang looked at Fraud Tian disdainfully. “Fraud, I’ve realized that you have no respect for age. You’re already so old but you’re still thinking about young girls. Aren’t you afraid of being scolded?”

Fraud Tian rebutted, “What’s wrong? I’m not lying or stealing. Love has no boundaries. Who says that the old cannot have romance with the young? With your attitude, you can keep being a bachelor for the rest of your life. When I stop being single, you’ll be jealous.”

Zhao Zhong Yang made an ‘as if I’d believe your bullsh\*t’ expression.

Lin Fan looked at Elder Dog and said, “Look at you. Are you satisfied now? You’ve managed to show off big time. Does it feel good?”

Woof woof!

Elder Dog barked merrily. He was the Righteous Doggy. Now, he had to go and do righteous deeds. There were many people waiting for him.

Just as Fraud Tian was about to get up and get to work...

Another group of people came from afar.

When Lin Fan saw this, he was dumbfounded. “What the f\*ck is going on? Is this never going to end?”

“Who are you?” asked Lin Fan doubtfully.

A young man immediately went forward and shook Lin Fan’s hand. “Master Lin, I’m really too grateful for you. It was your pet dog that saved my child.”

Lin Fan understood now. So these people were here to thank him.

“No need to thank me. I didn’t expect him to be so brave either.” In front of others, Lin Fan had to praise Elder Dog. After all, if he bragged about Elder Dog, he would receive some of the limelight as well.

At that moment, the young mother squatted down and patted Elder Dog’s head. She said gratefully, “Thank you so much, Little Doggy. You’re the savior of our family.”

The man took out some things. “Master Lin, these are for Elder Dog. Please accept it as our regards. If it hadn’t been for him, our newborn child wouldn’t be around anymore.”

This...

The man took out an embroidered banner and a red packet.

Lin Fan waved his hand. “No need for the red packet. I’ll accept this embroidered banner.”

The shop owners came gathering around.

“D\*mn, Elder Dog is incredible.”

“Sister Hong, you’re considered Elder Dog’s relative. In future, the light will shine on you as well.”

Sister Hong stared at the person who said that. What did he mean by relative? But after thinking, she realized that it was true. That Elder Dog had impregnated her dog and her dog was going to give birth soon. They could indeed be considered relatives.

Everyone started laughing.

The pet dogs of Cloud Street came over as well. They were all filled with pride. Their boss had been put in the limelight and as his loyal underlings, their dog hearts were naturally filled with pride.

Lin Fan took a look at the flag and his expression became one of marvel.

“In the face of danger, the hero is fearless.”

“Presented to Elder Dog Nicholas”

This...this...

Lin Fan was a little jealous. He had gone through so much but he had never received such a high-grade banner before. He had not expected this d\*mned dog to receive such a thing.

The man said, “Master Lin, please accept it. Elder Dog is really too brave. I’ve never seen a dog like him. In the past, I used to think badly of mutts but now, my views have changed. I’m going to raise a mutt to grow up together with my son. When he grows up, I’ll tell my son about this incident. His life was saved by a dog.”

Lin Fan laughed awkwardly, “Alright, thank you then. Actually, acting courageously for a just cause is a very normal thing.”

The man shook his head, “No. Our family will never forget about this.”

The young mother added, “If Elder Dog didn’t save my son, who knows how I would have become?”

Lin Fan looked at the two of them, then at Elder Dog. He laughed in a gratified manner. No matter what, this deed had been done beautifully by Elder Dog.

After chatting for a while.

The couple, filled with gratitude, left the place.

And something that Lin Fan had not expected happened.

He had thought that those crazy fans would stop coming but unexpectedly, it wasn't that they had stopped coming but it was just that they had gone to buy things and had been held up.

Cloud Street was bustling.

Countless fans had gathered at Cloud Street.

“Master Lin, this is my gift for Elder Dog.”

“Master Lin, this is dog food that I imported. Elder Dog will definitely like it.”

“Can we take a group photo with Elder Dog? We really love him.”

In the face of such requests, what else could Lin Fan say? He just nodded in agreement. As long as they were happy.

Seeing Elder Dog surrounded by his fans, Lin Fan didn't know what to say. Forget it. Let's just treat it as after working hours and relax.

Nighttime.

Lin Fan prepared a secret recipe dinner for Elder Dog. he now realized that the composition of things inside Elder Dog's body had slowly changed.

The things that Elder Dog ate were instantly turned into nutrients, enriching his body so that he could grow even stronger.

The eighteenth page's task, to raise Elder Dog into a great being, would perhaps take some time. After all, how could he suddenly become f\*cking awesome?

\*ring ring\*

At that moment, Lin Fan's phone rang. It was an unknown number.

"Hello, who is this?"

"Hello, Master Lin. I'm a film director. My surname is Cheng and I would like to invite Elder Dog out to act in a film. Don't worry. This film was specially created for Elder Dog by us. It will definitely..."

Lin Fan didn't want to hear anymore and just hung up the call.

Indeed, after Elder Dog had become famous, people in businesses had set their gazes on him.

As Elder Dog's guardian, how could Lin Fan accept this?

\*ring ring\*

Another call came.

Lin Fan was a little speechless. "No need to call me. Elder Dog doesn't need to act in a movie."

Director Cheng said, "Master Lin, please wait a moment and listen to what I have to say. Don't worry, the price we are offering will definitely satisfy you. Hello...?"

Lin Fan hung up again.

Director Cheng was upset with Master Lin now. What was wrong with people these days? He had no manners at all. Before hearing what Director Cheng had to say, he hung up. That was a little ridiculous.

In the morning.

Lin Fan did not have a good sleep at all. Early in the morning, people called him.

If it wasn't to ask Elder Dog to act in a music video, it was for him to shoot a commercial.

One by one, he answered the calls. There were tens of calls in total.

Lin Fan could not take it anymore. He made a post on Weibo.

“Stop calling me. Elder Dog won't accept any commercial acting roles, not will he shoot any commercials or movies. Don't force me to flame you all. Retards.”

After sending this Weibo post, the netizens pissed themselves from laughter.

Only people in those industries understood the situation.

This was the era of hype. Whoever was hot could act as a guarantee.

Now that Elder Dog had become so hot, of course, there were people who had placed their attention on Elder Dog.

Since Lin Fan couldn't sleep anymore, he got up and went to Cloud Street.

Cloud Street.

“Wu You Lan asked, “What's wrong, Brother Lin?”

Lin Fan replied, “What else could it be? It's all those managers and directors who want Elder Dog to act in their films so they can earn money. I've rejected all of them. If I had known, I wouldn't have put my number on the Internet. What a troublesome matter.”

Wu You Lan smiled, “Isn't this normal? It's because Elder Dog is so hot now. Many people are paying attention to him.”

Lin Fan shook his head, “Let's not talk about this. It's too troublesome.”

## Chapter 782: Getting the goods

A few days later.

Elder Dog's popularity slowly diminished. The internet didn't really report about it anymore. However, Elder Dog's fans were still really crazy but they were much more normal than they were in the past.

Furthermore, most people came to visit Elder Dog and take pictures with him.

He didn't really reject these requests.

In the morning.

Lin Fan was lying on his chair. He looked really bored. These days were too boring.

Then, someone called him from home.

"Dad, what is it?"

Father Lin said, "When are you prepared to come back? It's almost February. Are you really planning to stay in Shanghai forever?"

Lin Fan was a little helpless after hearing that. He only went back home once a year and his family was waiting for him to spend the New Year together.

Furthermore, these days past really quickly. In the blink of an eye, it was already almost February.

He would definitely return if things were the same as the past. However, he had taken over the Children's Welfare Institute and he wanted to spend the New Year in Shanghai. However, if he were to stay in Shanghai, his parents would probably be unhappy.

"Dad, how about you and mom come over to Shanghai for the New Year?" Lin Fan tried to see the reaction of his dad to the question.

Father Lin replied, "What for? Aren't you coming back home to visit the relatives?"

Lin Fan replied, "Dad, it's not that I don't want to. I just took over a Children's Welfare Institute in Shanghai. I felt that it would be better for you and mum to come over to spend the New Year with the orphans here. They are really lonely and they deserve to spend these occasions happily."

Father Lin interrupted Lin Fan with a sense of relief, "Looks like this lad has changed a lot. You've grown up. Alright, your mum and I would feel the same with spending New Year anywhere. I just hope our family can come together. I'll tell your mom about this now. We'll come to Shanghai for New Year this year. However, we have to visit relatives here on the second day of the Lunar New Year. If not, people would gossip about us."

Lin Fan smiled, "Alright, dad, you can call the shots."

After chatting for a while longer, they hung up.

Lin Fan was quite happy with his dad's leniency towards him.

Wu You Lan asked, "Brother Lin, aren't you going back to Zhong Zhou this year?"

Lin Fan replied, "We'll be in Shanghai. However, we'll return back on the second day of the Lunar New Year. What about you and your dad?"

Wu You Lan smiled, "I'm his only daughter and we don't really have relatives. It's the same for us to spend the New Year anywhere."

Fraud Tian said, "Me too, I don't have anywhere to go."



Zhao Zhong Yang replied, "I have to go back home. If not, my mom will break my legs."

Lin Fan replied, "Alright, let's not talk about it. There are still ten more days. No hurry."

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"Master Lin." Then, Liu Xiao Tian appeared at the shop.

Lin Fan smiled, "Inspector Liu, what brought you here today?"

Liu Xiao Tian immediately entered the shop and sat down. Wu You Lan served him some tea. "What else? It must be something good. But Master Lin, your dog is really awesome. I am here today to visit him and also say something to you."

Lin Fan asked, "What is it?"

To Liu Xiao Tian, Master Lin was definitely the person that helped him the most.

His career progressed so quickly and it was all because of Master Lin. He was already in the deputy office but he still allowed Master Lin to address him as 'Inspector Lin'.

He felt that it sounded less foreign.

"I just have to inform you that the police force has decided to give Elder Dog a Heroism Award and some cash," Liu Xiao Tian smiled.

Lin Fan was stunned in disbelief. "What did you say? Give him a Heroism Award? Are you kidding?"

Liu Xiao Tian replied, "Nope. The documents are in preparation. But really, it's the first time I encountered such a thing. It's something new that we're doing."

Lin Fan gave him a thumbs up, "The government is handling this thing with such a unique way."

“Yeah, my colleague asked me to ask you why Elder Dog is so smart. How did you train him? You should know that the person in the narcotics bureau is really close to me. The people there would like to have a dog like him. Therefore, I’d like to ask if you could help to train them,” Liu Xiao Tian turned around and asked.

Lin Fan immediately shook his head, “No, I don’t even know how to train dogs. How can I train them for you? Hence, they have to depend on themselves.”

He was actually really good at training dogs but he didn’t want to expose himself. If not, things might become really troublesome.

Liu Xiao Tian looked at Lin Fan and smiled, “Master Lin, you’re not being honest here... But I understand. How can I not know what you’re thinking about? I’ll help you relay the message.”

Lin Fan smiled, “It’s good that you understand me. Right, I haven’t seen you in a long time. Are you really busy recently? Or did something happen?”

“A lot of things happened. It’s almost near the end of the year. We have to focus on security. A lot of thieves are going to be on the loose. We’re really busy. We can’t afford to be so relaxed like you,” Liu Xiao Tian said.

“Hey, I’m not that relaxed. I have a lot of things to do too.” Lin Fan was never going to admit that he was really relaxed.

However, for someone like Liu Xiao Tian, the chances of him going back to his family were really low. He might even have to work on the eve of the Lunar New Year.

If not, the security of the country would be at stake if they were to take leave.

It was getting late and Liu Xiao Tian didn’t want to stay any longer. “I’ll be making a move first. When the documents are ready, I’ll get someone to send them to you.”

“Alright, have a safe trip back,” Lin Fan said.

When Liu Xiao Tian left, Lin Fan looked at Elder Dog, “Are you happy? A Heroism Award just for you. You’re the first non-human to have it.”

Elder Dog smiled weirdly. It looked a little bit more like a yawn.

Lin Fan said, “The Lunar New Year is almost here. Who would like to follow me to buy some things?”

Zhao Zhong Yang replied, “Me.”

Fraud Tian replied, “Me too.”

“Alright. Then, You Lan and Elder Wu can stay in the shop. Let’s go,” Lin Fan said.

With greater responsibilities, one would become busier at important times.

There were hundreds of people waiting for him in the Children’s Welfare Institute. He had to ensure that the celebrations weren’t too bad.

Everyone had to have a new set of clothes, shoes, sweets, etc.

Most importantly, they had to have red packets.

Lin Fan drove his Hummer and fetched Fraud Tian and Zhao Zhong Yang to the supermarket.

Of course, the clothes and shoes were to be bought at Cloud Street. The goodies had to be kept within the ‘family’. That way, he wouldn’t have to be afraid of being scammed.

As for the sweets and snacks, he had to buy them outside.

Cloud Street mostly sold shoes and clothes.

At the candy shop.

The boss said, “Hey, aren’t you Master Lin?”

The boss was a young man and he recognized Lin Fan with just one look. He passionately offered him a seat and some tea.

Lin Fan was a little embarrassed.

“Master Lin, are you here for something?”

Lin Fan replied, “Nothing much. It’s almost the Lunar New Year. I’m prepared to buy some snacks and candies.”

The boss patted his chest, “Master Lin, don’t worry. Leave this to me. I’m really in awe of you. I can sell you the sweets at cost price. I wouldn’t earn any money from you. If I were to do that, I would be an inhumane beast.”

Lin Fan replied, “No, no. You’re running a business. How could you not earn any money? Just give me a fair price.”

The boss replied, “Master Lin, since you put it that way, I’ll just earn a bit. But it’ll definitely be cheaper than the market prices.”

Lin Fan replied, “That will do.”

He was a little embarrassed. He wanted to look at several shops but he didn’t expect this boss to be so passionate. It made him a little embarrassed. However, he didn’t think too much about it since he couldn’t do anything about it.

Chapter 783: Asking for their salaries

He was busy until the afternoon.

He had practically finished discussing everything with the shop owners. After paying the deposit for the items, he only had to wait for the goods to arrive.

In the car.

Fraud Tian said enviously, “You’re really quite famous. Someone would recognize you everywhere we went today. Their service was really impressive.”

Lin Fan smiled, “You must be feeling proud after following me around.”

Fraud Tian replied, “Yeah, I really did feel proud.”

Zhao Zhong Yang was the one driving and Lin Fan was looking at Weibo on his phone.

Then, he realized that someone with the ID ‘happy migrant worker’ send him a lot of private messages.

He opened his inbox to read the messages.

“Hi, Master Lin. I am your fan and I would like to seek your help.”

“I am really helpless. I am only twenty-seven years old and I’ve been working in Shanghai for a year. It’s almost the Lunar New Year but I haven’t been able to get my salary. It’s not just me without it. There are a lot of people without it too.”

“Master Lin, you might not have seen this message. But I can only discuss it with you.”

He sent several messages to him.

Lin Fan furrowed his brows in helplessness. This man was his fan and he sent him so many messages to request for his help. He couldn’t have just sat there and not do anything about it.

No way, since he had encountered this, he had to do something about this.

He looked at the phone number that was left behind and dialed it immediately.

“Hello, who is this?” The person on the phone sounded young and hoarse. He sounded as if he just had an argument.

“I am Master Lin. I just saw your messages. Where are you now?”

“Huh? Master Lin? You’re really Master Lin?”

“Yeah, it’s me. Where are you now?”

“Master Lin, I am at Chao Hai Road.”

“Alright, wait for me. I’ll be there.”

He hung up the phone.

The young man was extremely excited.

After a moment, he saw a group of people standing on the sidewalks of the pavement.

They were wearing dirty uniforms and they were not young. Most of them were in their thirties or forties and some of them were almost fifty.

“Sigh, the construction site isn’t giving us money and we can’t go back for New Year now,” one of the middle-aged men said helplessly. He looked really pitiful.

The other migrant workers looked the same. Some of them were furious and some looked like they were about to cry.

“I’ve been here for almost a year and I don’t even have any money to go back at the end of the year. How can I have any face to meet my family?”

“Yeah, we’ve looked for them for so many times and they just dismissed us every single time.”

One of the young men said, “Wait for a moment. I just received Master Lin’s call. He said he’ll be here in a moment. He will definitely be able to help us.”

“Hey, Young Zhao, don’t be so obsessed with these ‘idols’. They’re all fake and none of them will help us.”

Young Zhao said, “No, Master Lin is not the same as them.”

Then, Young Zhao was excited by a voice that he heard.

“Which one of you is ‘happy migrant worker’?” Lin Fan asked.

“Master Lin, that’s me.” Young Zhao went forward and was so ecstatic that he wanted to jump about.

Lin Fan and the others exited the car.

Zhao Zhong Yang asked curiously, “Why didn’t you approach the Ministry of Manpower?”

Young Zhao said helplessly, “We went there a long time ago but they asked us to look for those that are responsible for this project. How could we find them? Furthermore, we don’t have any proof to claim the salary. The government can’t do anything about it too.”

Zhao Zhong Yang shook his head, “This is going to be difficult.”

Lin Fan said, “It’s not difficult. We can resolve this. I look down on those that don’t give salaries. How can they do this during the Lunar New Year period?” Then, he looked at Young Zhao, “Where is your construction site? I’ll go there now to ask for it.”

Young Zhao looked at Master Lin, “It’s just in front.”

“Let’s go and have a look,” Master Lin said.

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At the construction site near Chao Hai Road.

When Lin Fan brought the migrant workers to the destination, there were some people in there but they were all blocked from entry.

Lin Fan heard some things that they said.

“Give us our salaries. If not, you can forget about leaving today.”

“Yeah, we worked so hard for the entire year for you. You have to pay us.”

“It’s almost the Lunar New Year. How are we going to go back like this?”

Those migrant workers were helpless, “I really don’t have money. The bosses didn’t pay me anything. How can I pay you?”

“Please excuse me.” Lin Fan walked towards them after exiting the car. Although he hadn’t been in this industry before, he had never seen a thing like this happen before.

The migrant workers looked at Lin Fan and didn’t know who this young man was.

Lin Fan said, “What do you do here?”

The person looked at Lin Fan, “I am a chief labor contractor. I really have no money. If I had money, I’d definitely give it to them. The bosses didn’t give me any money.”

Young Zhao went forward, “Master Lin, he is our chief labor contractor. I know he really doesn’t have money because of the bosses.”

Lin Fan nodded, “Chief labor contractor, right? Please tell me the workflow here.”



The chief labor contractor looked at Young Zhao and looked at the young man in front of him. “I am the chief labor contractor of a few groups of workers. The labor services company is in charge of us. The construction company is in charge of the labor services company and the real estate developers take charge of the construction company. The money is passed down from the different layers. This time, the labor services company really didn’t give me any money. I can’t give them their salaries.”

“Do you have the phone number of the labor services company?” Lin Fan asked.

The chief labor contractor nodded, “Yes, yes.”

“Give it to me.”

Lin Fan dialed the number.

He used the chief labor contractor’s phone and the person on the phone started to shout even before he said anything.

“I said it a lot of times. I really don’t have money to give the workers. I’ll pay up after the Lunar New Year.”

Lin Fan said, “Hi, I am Master Lin. One of my fans is your worker. You said you don’t have money. Then, who else would have it?”

“Master Lin? What Master Lin? I already said I don’t have any money. Do you understand human language? Alright, stop calling me. If you want to keep your job after the New Year, you better keep your mouth shut.”

\*slam\*

The person hung up.

Lin Fan smiled. He didn’t expect the person to have such a bad attitude. “Do you have the number of the construction company?”

The chief labor contractor shook his head, “No, the company that pays us is the labor services company. We just do whatever they tell us to do.”

“Which company is in charge of the land here?” Lin Fan asked.

“It’s Mother Earth Real Estate Corporation,” the chief labor contractor said.

Lin Fan immediately took out his phone and started searching for the company’s phone number. Then, he dialed it.

“Hi, this is Mother Earth Real Estate Pte Ltd. May I know what would you like to know?”

Lin Fan said, “Hi, I am at the plot of land that your company has developed on Chao Hai Road. I would like to find out why you haven’t paid the workers even though the Lunar New Year is almost here?”

“Sorry, I’m not very sure about this. Our company transfers funds on time. Therefore, you should ask the construction company. May I know if you need anything else?”

Lin Fan added, “Can you get your director to speak to me?”

“Sorry, he is currently in a meeting. Also, you need to book an appointment with him to speak to him.”

Lin Fan replied, “Don’t try to push the blame onto others. I want to speak to your director now. If not, you can face the consequences.”

The person became silent for a moment.

“Please hold on.”

After a while, the phone call transfer got through.

“Who is this?”

“I would like to ask why the workers at Chao Hai Road’s construction site are all unpaid.”

“Who are you? What does this have to do with you?”

Lin Fan said, “I am Master Lin of Cloud Street. A fan of mine is a worker here. I am asking on his behalf.”

“Master Lin? Oh, I know now. Master Lin of Cloud Street, right? We’re not sure of this matter. We have paid the relevant construction companies. You should ask them about the situation.”

Lin Fan added, “Oh, then can I trouble you to contact the construction company to pay these workers?”

“Master Lin, I don’t think this matter concerns you, right?”

Lin Fan added, “Yes. It doesn’t concern me but I am a busybody. Can’t I be one?”

“Crazy.”

\*slam\*

He immediately hung up.

The surrounding migrant workers looked at Lin Fan and sighed helplessly. It looked like they could do nothing about it.

Chapter 784: Things got serious

At the main office of Mother Earth Real Estate Pte Ltd.

The person that Lin Fan just spoke to was a department head. He felt that this person was a busybody.

So what if he was Master Lin? He couldn't just interfere with everything and think that everyone had to give him face.

He didn't care about people like him who thought that they could do anything they wanted just because they had some authority.

He immediately called the customer service department.

"If there are such calls in the future, reject them immediately. Do not transfer it to me," he scolded the person on the phone furiously.

He had to pick up every single call. He was just doing his job.

At the construction site.

Young Zhao had always been confident of his idol. However, he had just heard the call earlier. He didn't want to make things difficult for his idol. He was already happy that his idol agreed to help him.

He felt that his idol was someone that was willing to help his fans and not belittle them.

"Master Lin, forget it. We'll think of something. They might just give us our pay after the New Year." Young Zhao tried to hint to Lin Fan to stop caring about this matter. Anyway, he was just trying his luck and he wasn't confident about it.

"It's okay. It's just the beginning." Lin Fan waved his hands. He was furious at how cocky that fella was. He insisted that he was right for not giving the workers their salaries. If he were to leave this matter alone, he wouldn't have had any reason to remain in the society.

Zhao Zhou Yang thought about it for a moment, “Brother Lin, what should we do now? This situation is common. Everyone just pushes the blame around. I think this is a little complicated. Perhaps the manufacturing company really transferred the funds. They probably took some of the money. When it came to the construction company, they probably took some of it too. The money keeps decreasing with each transfer. Therefore... you should understand what I’m saying.”

“Although that might be the case, they have to pay these workers. They earn so much money and the workers are paid with a fixed rate. It’s their hard-earned money. Even if they wanted to take some money, they can’t just take it from these workers.” Lin Fan had his own way of thinking. Although what Zhao Zhong Yang said was reasonable, he couldn’t ignore the other possibilities.

Then, Lin Fan turned to look at the workers, “Let me ask you this: do you want to take money home for the New Year?”

“Yes.”

Their biggest dream was to get the money. They were really disappointed in the construction company. If they could, they wanted to just leave and not work there anymore.

“Alright. Let’s go to the Ministry of Manpower,” Lin Fan waved his hands and brought them out.

At the same time, he took out his phone. Some things had to be utilized when needed.

On Weibo.

Lin Fan: “Mother Earth Real Estate Pte Ltd is a reputable company. The workers at Chao Hai Road’s construction site told me that they haven’t been paid for the New Year. It is too much. After calling them, the head of the department had such a bad attitude. I can’t tolerate this, especially since one of my fans is involved in this. I have to help them get their money back.”

After posting that on Weibo, a lot of people started commenting on it.

“D\*mn, this happens every year. I didn’t expect Master Lin to encounter it. I’ll support you.”

“The best way to handle this is to wreck havoc or commit suicide.”

“Master Lin, you have to understand their pains too. Sometimes, the real estate companies are really broke.”

“^ Are you kidding? So what if they’re broke? They can’t just not pay these workers. That would mean that these workers have worked for nothing. Why didn’t they pay them extra money when they earned big bucks?”

“That’s right. So what if they’re ‘broke’? If they dare to say that these workers shouldn’t ask for money this year and even ask them to sell their houses for a doubled pay, I’ll admit defeat.”

“What kind of f\*cking houses can they build with ‘no money’?”

“That’s illogical. Mother Earth Real Estate is considered to be a large real estate developer. They are involved in a lot of famous houses. How can they be broke?”

On Weibo, Lin Fan was considered to be a famous Internet celebrity. A lot of Internet celebrities wanted to befriend Lin Fan and they started to re-post his post.

Some of the celebrities just did it because of another favor. Initially, this didn’t involve them at all. However, Master Lin wrecked Ying Jin and they were really grateful for that. Hence, they naturally re-posted the post to blow it up.

Zhao Zhong Yang had been observing Weibo and the post had reached 130,000 re-posts in a short period of time. Furthermore, a lot of famous Internet celebrities re-posted it. That was pretty scary.

“Brother Lin, are you trying to blow this matter up?” Zhao Zhong Yang asked.

Lin Fan replies, “I just want to blow things up. Although it may not be Mother Earth Real Estate’s fault, they’re the real estate developers. If they don’t manage it properly, they have to be responsible for it.”

Ding ding!

Then, Lin Fan’s phone rang.

The reporter said, “Master Lin, where are you guys heading to?”

Lin Fan replies, “We’re heading to the Ministry of Manpower.”

After hanging up, another phone call came.

All the calls were from reporters. When they saw the content posted on Weibo, they immediately contacted Master Lin as they knew that it was going to blow up.

Initially, they felt that this matter was just a minor one. However, Master Lin was involved in it. He was the creator of a lot of breaking news and they felt that this was going to be something epic.

At that moment, all the reporters from the major companies in Beijing rushed towards the Ministry of Manpower. They wanted to get the latest news as soon as possible.

At a certain newly constructed commercial property of Mother Earth Real Estate Corporation.

Several people were looking at houses.

The salesmen were really busy. Their commercial properties were extremely popular. When they started selling the houses, they had to serve a lot of customers every day.

“We’ll have this then,” said one of the townsfolk who picked a house. Then, he looked at his son, “I bought this for your wedding. You have to get married in six months.”

“Dad, don’t worry. Since there’s a house, I’ll definitely get married.”

The salesman felt really good. It looked like he was going to clinch another deal.

However, something shocking could be heard.

“Look at Weibo. Master Lin posted something about Mother Earth Real Estate Corporation refusing to pay their workers. Now, he’s brought the workers to demand for their salaries.”

“That can’t be. How can Mother Earth Real Estate be so incorrigible? The New Year is almost here and they’re refusing to pay at this moment?”

“They have such bad character.”

“I’m not buying any more. What is this? Master Lin is my idol. If I were to buy a house here, wouldn’t I be smacking Master Lin’s face?”

The salesman was stunned. Then, he tried to salvage the situation, “Everyone, our houses here are the best. They’ve almost sold out. If you don’t buy it today, you might not be able to get it in the future.”

“So what if they’re the best? I can get a house anywhere with money. I’m not going to trust your company with such poor attitude.”

“I’m not buying any more. I didn’t expect something like this to happen. In the past, I have always seen news about companies refusing to pay their workers. I didn’t expect Mother Earth Real Estate to do such a thing. How disappointing.”

The manager of the sales team rushed over to try to salvage the situation after hearing about it.

Initially, those townsfolk that were interested in buying houses. Now, they were beginning to lose their interest.

They felt that the company couldn’t have been that good for refusing to pay their workers. If they were to buy a house and something were to happen to their district management, they might not be able to resolve it in time.

The manager started to become anxious after seeing numerous townsfolk leaving.

Even until now, he didn’t know what had happened.



## Chapter 785: Something is wrong

At the Ministry of Manpower.

The workers were getting anxious. It wasn't their first time there and their trips there were practically useless.

Lin Fan led them there and the security guard immediately rushed out after seeing the situation.

"What are you doing?" The security guard asked before shouting for back up.

Lin Fan replied, "I brought them here to seek help from the leaders so that they can get their salaries."

The security guard furrowed his brows, "Why are there so many of you? If you want your salaries, you should head to the relevant authorities. Why are you here? Get lost and do not cause trouble."

Then, a lot of reporters started rushing in. When they saw the crowd at the entrance of the Ministry of Manpower, they were ecstatic.

"Master Lin..." Even when nobody could be seen, the voices of the reporters could be heard.

When the security guard saw that there were so many reporters, he was stunned.

What were they doing?

A reporter said, "Master Lin, may I know what is happening? Why are you requesting for their salaries?"

The reporters took turns to ask questions.

When the migrant workers saw the situation, they were in disbelief. They were even a little anxious. They felt like the matter had been blown up.

Lin Fan faced the reporters and said calmly, “Actually, the situation is simple. One of my fans is a worker at the construction site. He sent me several private messages on Weibo to seek my help. However, I didn’t really take note of my private messages recently. Hence, I didn’t see the messages until today. I contacted him and found out that he hadn’t received his salary and I wanted to help him out.”

The reporter asked, “May I know if you decided to help him just because he is your fan?”

Lin Fan waved his hand, “This is just one of the reasons but it is not the only reason. A beautiful city has to rely on these workers to build on the foundation. They build everything with their bare hands so that we can live comfortably in our houses. We have to thank them for everything. Now that the New Year is almost here, they’re not getting what they should be paid. As long as you have a kind heart, you definitely would do something about it.”

Gradually, people started to gather around them.

“Well said.”

“That’s right. If not for them, we wouldn’t be able to live in such beautiful houses.”

“As for Mother Earth Real Estate Corporation, I don’t care how many people they hired. These workers worked for them and I am here at the Ministry of Manpower today to seek the help of the leaders,” Lin Fan added.

The security guard at the entrance felt that something was wrong and he immediately contacted the leader.

There were reporters and the New Year was coming. If they didn’t handle this situation carefully and if it were to blow up to a national level, the consequences would be unimaginable.

A reporter said, “What Master Lin said was right. This should never happen at all.”

As reporters, they had encountered a lot of incidents before. Sometimes, when things get blown up, the companies would start paying the workers. However, those that were unlucky would have their managers running away. In the end, they would have wasted a year of hard work.

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The leader of the reporter was drinking tea and when he heard about this incident, his face changed. “What? You mean Master Lin brought the people here?”

“Yes. I think it’s because the construction company isn’t paying them. One of them is a big fan of Master Lin. Hence, Master Lin led them here to seek help from us.”

The leader was stunned, “Does this have anything to do with him?”

“No, but the reporters are here. Furthermore, Master Lin is considered to be a public figure. His actions and words are always being watched.”

The leader didn’t reply. However, he had understood it. If he didn’t manage this properly, things were going to get worse.

Especially since the reporters were there. According to the information he had gotten, there were a lot of reporters. If he didn’t take the initiative to resolve this, who knew what rubbish the reporters were going to write about him?

He didn’t think about anything else. He immediately stood up and went out to handle the situation.

He had to do something about it. He had to resolve it by today.

At the entrance of the Ministry of Manpower.

Leader Wang rushed forward. When he saw Lin Fan, his face changed. He went forward and greeted him warmly, “Hi, Master Lin.”

Lin Fan smiled, “Hi, Leader Wang. I hope you’re not too angry. I am helpless about this issue.”

“I understand.” Then, he added sternly, “Master Lin, don’t worry. I will definitely handle this well. They are one of the main reasons why Shanghai is so beautiful today. Now that something like that has happened, I will definitely resolve this.”

Lin Fan replied, "Then, I'll have to trouble you."

"Don't say that. The aim of the Ministry of Manpower is to serve the citizens. If we had known about this earlier, we wouldn't have let Master Lin come here personally," Leader Wang said.

The reporters surrounded them. One of them asked, "Hi, Leader Wang. May I know if these workers can get their salaries back?"

Leader Wang looked at the reporter and patted his chest. "They will definitely get their salaries. If not, the government will pay. We will ensure that they return home happily for the New Year." Of course, he couldn't have said that the workers wouldn't be able to get their salaries back.

\*clap\*

Lin Fan started applauding. Then, he looked at the migrant workers. "Did you hear that? The leader has spoken. If he can't get your money, the government will pay for you. Quick, thank the leader."

When the migrant workers heard that, they were ecstatic. It was as if the government had too much money to spare.

Leader Wang smiled but it was a little awkward. Since he had said such a thing, he had to keep to it. What else could he do?

This time, he couldn't push the blame onto someone else anymore. If he were to do so, he'd be dead.

Leader Wang said, "Come in first. Let's understand the situation before we resolve it. In recent years, we have received quite a number of such complaints about delayed salaries. We've resolved them promptly. I believe it wouldn't be an exception this time."

Lin Fan said, "We're helpless about it. We can only rely on you for it."

"Don't say that," Leader Wang said humbly. He had been praised by Lin Fan and he couldn't back down on his promise.

The reporters didn't want to leave at all. They wanted to know the development of the situation.

A large group of people entered the conference room of the Ministry of Manpower.

On the way there, Leader Wang had been thinking about how to resolve this problem.

The real estate developers these days were really crafty and the situation was difficult to resolve.

They weren't the only ones that were trying to push the blame away. The real estate developers were the best at pushing the blame.

They contracted workers from different sub-companies and the terms and conditions were written clearly. They used them to push the blame. Sometimes, they wouldn't even know who to look for if they encountered a problem.

It was a headache.

At the labor services company.

The previous chief labor contractor who spoke to the manager on the phone was stunned when he saw the situation online.

He didn't expect such a thing to happen.

He didn't expect Master Lin to post on Weibo to attract reporters.

However, they really didn't have any money. When they received money from the companies that managed them, they spent all the money on the facilities of the construction site. They had to take the remaining money home for the New Year and they didn't have any money left for these migrant workers.

However, when he saw the Weibo post, he felt that something was wrong.

## Chapter 786: So much trouble

In the conference room.

An employee was prepared to serve tea. However, there were too many migrant workers and he didn't have time to prepare so much tea.

The reporters were standing at the back of the room as they filmed the scenes.

It was as if a small ceremony was going to take place.

Lin Fan asked, "Leader Wang, what do you think we should do now?"

"That..." Leader Wang hesitated for a moment. "Master Lin, could you tell me what is going on? Once I understand the situation, I would be able to think of a solution."

"Young Zhao, explain to him," Lin Fan roughly knew the situation but he was still unclear about the general happenings.

Young Zhao was a little nervous. It was the first time he had seen such a powerful and influential leader. However, since the matter involved people's salaries, he wanted to speak up about it.

He told him everything and didn't hide anything from him.

After that, Leader Wang remained silent. It was a difficult situation.

The people that were directly in charge of the migrant workers were chief labor contractors, they belonged to the labor services companies. The people that were in charge of labor services companies were those from the construction companies. These construction companies were taken care of by the real estate developers.

It wasn't that he had never encountered a situation like this. The money was difficult to obtain since he wouldn't know who to get it from as there were many layers of relationships.

If he were to look for the labour services company's managers, they could just claim that they didn't take any money. Those companies above them could also claim the same thing.

It would be even more troublesome to deal with the construction companies. There were a lot of managers and they would all push the blame to one another. They wouldn't have a proper closure.

Lin Fan asked, "Leader, if we were to reach such a situation, what would the Ministry of Manpower do?"

Leader Wang replied, "Usually, we serve as the supervisors. If people were to not give salaries, they would usually be dealt with by arbitration. If they can resolve it before that happens, they can resolve the problem by communication means. Usually, the arbitration process would take at least two years. When that happens, the New Year would probably be over. I suggest them to resolve it by communicating with one another."

Lin Fan felt that the situation was a little complicated. He didn't know what to say about some of the things.

However, it was true that people that owed money could behave like bosses.

If you were to ask for money, you'd have to be polite and courteous.

Ding ding!

Then, Lin Fan's phone rang.

Lin Fan gestured for everyone to keep quiet before answering the call.

"Hello, who is this?"

The person on the phone sounded furious. He said, "Master Lin, do you think that there's a need for that?"

“Who are you?” Lin Fan asked. Did the fella have some kind of illness? He spoke with such a bad tone even without introducing himself.

“I am the manager of a Mainland real estate project. Did you have to publicise that online? You knew that this would affect our company. You could have discussed it with us. Furthermore, the problem with their salaries has nothing to do with us. We have already sent the money to the relevant authorities. You should look for the construction companies and the labor services companies instead,” Manager Wu was so furious that he was going to kill someone.

The impact of the problem was great. It affected a lot of housing units. A lot of people feedbacked that they wanted to refund their housing units.

After they looked into the situation, they realized that someone had been scolding them on Weibo and that person was an influential one.

He was clearly trying to mess with them.

Lin Fan smiled, “Didn’t I look for you before? Did you want to discuss it with me? Don’t even speak about the labor services companies. He didn’t say anything about their salaries.”

Manager Wu replied, “What does he have to do with our company if he is broke? If you want money, you should ask him and not us. Can you be reasonable?”

Lin Fan replied, “Sorry, I am unreasonable at times. I only look for those that are responsible for this. This plot of land was developed by your real estate company. Hence, you are the person that is responsible for this. Now that the workers are not getting their salaries, who else am I supposed to look for? As for your communication with the labor services companies, that is your own problem. Am I right?”

Manager Wu replied, “That is not really logical. We have already signed a contract with the relevant sub-companies. It doesn’t concern us. Do you understand?”

“Sorry, I don’t really understand. I am just here for the money. As for how you are going to discuss with the sub-companies, that is your problem,” Lin Fan said.



“You should be looking for the labor services companies, do you understand?” Manager Wu was a little furious. He felt that this fella was unreasonable.

Lin Fan was initially calm but he was getting pretty fed up too.

“Alright, don’t try to push the blame away. I’ll just ask this: are you going to give them their salaries?”

“We have no money, how are we going to do that?” Manager Wu said angrily.

“Alright, that’s what you said. I’m not going to do anything now, I’ll see how you guys are going to last,” Lin Fan said.

\*beep\*

He immediately hung up.

Manager Wu was so furious that he didn’t know what to say. He immediately called the construction company.

“Chief Liu, what do you mean by that? Why are you looking for the labor services company? Didn’t we give the money to them? Why didn’t you give them their salaries?” Manager Wu said angrily.

Chief Liu was stunned, “Hey, Chief Wu, what do you mean by that? How could the labor services company not give them their salaries? The funds that your company gave are not according to the contract we signed. It was supposed to be \$20 million but you only gave \$15 million. How are we going to give the remaining amount?”

Manager Wu replied, “I don’t care about that. You should know what is happening on Weibo. It has a great impact on us. Quickly contact the labor services company. I don’t want this matter to blow up. If our boss were to find out about this, you can forget about taking this project.”

“That’s it, I’ll hang up now.”

Chief Liu of the construction company was furious. What was he talking about? However, he still called the labor services company.

When the call got through, he shouted, “What is wrong with you? Didn’t I give you the money? Why didn’t you give it to the workers? Do you know that the matter has been blown up? Even the Ministry of Manpower is involved in this now. If your company can’t do it, let us know. We can switch companies.”

“Chief Liu, listen to me. We are having trouble handling this too. We were supposed to get \$15 million but you only gave us \$8 million. How are we going to pay the workers after paying for the materials and logistics?”

They were really helpless and every company deducted their pay by a little. In the end, there wasn’t any money left for the workers.

“I don’t care what is it, you have to pay them their salaries by today,” Chief Liu said.

The manager of the labor services company replied, “Chief Liu, we really have no money here. What are we going to pay them with? Unless you give us the remaining amount of the \$15 million and we will give them their pay.”

Chief Liu was furious after hearing that. If he were to give them everything, what were they supposed to earn?

“What do you mean by that?” Chief Liu said unhappily.

The manager replied, “I don’t really mean anything else. You have to understand our situation here. We don’t even have enough money and we have nothing left. I can’t just pay them out of my own pocket, right?”

Chief Liu replied, “What’s wrong with that? Which project doesn’t require any additional inflow of money? You should pay them first and we can reimburse you the amount next time.”

“If that is the case, it would be meaningless. I’m quitting this project. I will handle the finances accordingly. You can hire someone else.”

Chief Liu replied, “Alright, alright. It gets troublesome every New Year.”

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Chapter 787: It’s nothing much

In the conference room.

“You saw that too. We can’t do anything about it besides seeking help from the leader.” Lin Fan looked at Leader Wang helplessly. This matter wouldn’t be resolved by an average citizen.

Unless they were to go to arbitration.

However, who could afford to waste so much time?

Leader Wang was frustrated. This matter was really troublesome and even he might be useless for it. However, the reporters were all waiting. If he were to do nothing about it, things were going to get worse.

“I’ll make a call to ask about it,” Leader Wang said. Then, he dialed the number that was given.

The phone call got through.

“Hello, is this Manager Wu? I am the director of the Ministry of Manpower, Wang Shan.” He had the ‘accent’ of a government official and one would know he was a public service leader after hearing his voice.

Indeed, Manager Wu was stunned. He immediately greeted politely, “Hi, Leader Wang.”

“What is happening at the construction site in Chao Hai Road? Why aren’t the workers paid? You have to know that we care a lot about the workers’ salary problems. The documents have been passed down the chain of command,” Leader Wang said.

Manager Wu didn't know what to say. "Leader, you don't know how helpless we are. We signed a contract with external companies and we gave them the funds on time. They didn't give the salaries and we can't do anything about that. They can only look for the labor services company. I hope Leader Wang can understand our situation."

Manager Wu dared to speak rudely to Lin Fan but didn't dare to do so to Wang Shan. After all, he was a leader from the Ministry of Manpower.

Of course, this was just a temporary show since it involved his interests. Perhaps he wouldn't have given face if it didn't concern him.

Wang Shan said, "So, does that mean that you don't care about this?"

Manager Wu continued to act, "We want to be involved but we don't have the power to do anything. We signed a contract with the construction company. Everything has been given to them. Hence, we really can't do anything about their salaries."

"Alright, let's go to labor arbitration then." Wang Shan didn't want to talk too much. As the leader, he knew what the problem was.

It was just that arbitration needed time and he had to think of something to temporarily resolve the shortage of funds.

Manager Wu was stunned after hearing that, "Leader Wang, wait. Do we have to go there?"

Wang Shan said, "Let me ask you this. Did you develop that plot of land?"

"Yes. It's developed by our company," Manager Wu admitted.

"Then that's good. This time, the workers have come here to complain about their salaries. The government takes this very seriously. We have the right to be doubtful of your company's ability. We will seriously consider this and assess your company to see if it is useful to the development of Shanghai," Wang Shan said with a stern tone.

This matter wasn't really serious initially but Master Lin and the reporters had joined in.

If this were to be reported, things would definitely go out of hand.

If he didn't do anything, who knew what the reports would say about him?

They might say that the person in charge was incapable.

If so, people would definitely lose their jobs.

With respect to the situation with the Mother Earth Real Estate Corporation, the Ministry of Manpower didn't have any power to handle it. However, other departments will not be quiet about it.

Manager Wu wasn't stupid. When he heard that, he was anxious.

"Leader Wang, that..."

He hadn't finished his sentence but Leader Wang had hung up the call.

Wang Shan sighed, "Everyone, the Ministry of Manpower would definitely follow up with this problem. I will send someone to the labor services company, construction company, and real estate developers to discuss with them about this."

He was prepared to invite them over for 'tea'.

This was at least something for the workers.

The workers were really satisfied with what he did.

They had been to the Ministry of Manpower but all they did was fill in some forms. Then, the people just pushed the blame around before everything returned to ground zero. However, now a leader was involved and even reporters were there too.

They felt that they had to thank Master Lin. If not for him, they wouldn't have been able to reach this stage.

Lin Fan didn't expect the problem to be so complicated and difficult to handle.

Young Zhao said, "Master Lin, thank you so much."

Lin Fan waved his hand, "What for? This matter isn't resolved yet. When it is over, you can thank me then."

Young Zhao smiled and didn't say anything else but he was really happy. He was determined to be a hardcore fan of Master Lin.

"Leader Wang, thank you so much," Lin Fan said.

Wang Shan said, "Master Lin, I will definitely watch over this and give you an answer in three times. Alright?"

"Yes."

They left the headquarters of the Ministry of Manpower.

However, this matter was far from over. They had to follow up with it closely.

In the car.

Lin Fan was furious, "D\*mn it, I get angrier the more I think about it."

Zhao Zhong Yang said helplessly, "What can we do? We have to follow the chain of command."

Lin Fan didn't say anything. He just ranted on Weibo.

“What’s the point of Mother Earth Real Estate Corporation developing estates when the company has no money? They didn’t give the workers their salaries and kept pushing the blame around. It isn’t an honest company. Everyone, please take note when you’re buying houses.”

He said it really directly.

Others wouldn’t have dared to say it so directly. They were afraid of being sued.

However, Lin Fan wasn’t afraid. If they dared to sue him, he was confident of going against them.

On Weibo.

“D\*mn, Master Lin seems really furious today.”

“Yeah, I haven’t seen Master Lin so furious before.”

“What is Mother Earth Corporation doing? They actually made Master Lin so angry.”

“Those that owed salaries deserved to die.”

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At night.

At a random luxurious feast.

Zhou Guo Sheng was the boss of Mother Earth Real Estate Corporation.

He was eating with a bunch of directors and they were discussing some corporate matters.

One of the directors smiled, “Director Zhou, your company got in the headlines today.”

Zhou Guo Sheng smiled, “What is it? Why didn’t I know anything about it?”

“Director Zhou, you really don’t know about it?”

Zhou Guo Sheng replied, “I really don’t know anything. Tell me, what is it?”

“Look at Master Lin’s Weibo. The matter was blown up. I’m impressed by your calmness.”

Zhou Guo Sheng was confused. He took out his phone and looked at Weibo.

He was a rather frequent user of Weibo and he knew who Master Lin was. However, when he saw the post, the smile on his face slowly disappeared.

Owed salaries?

How could that be?

However, there were other directors around and Zhou Guo Sheng didn’t want to seem too agitated. He placed his phone down and faked a smile.

“Nothing much, this is a small matter. I don’t know what Master Lin is doing. Let’s eat and drink. Let the others resolve this.”

One of the directors smiled, “Elder Zhou, are you really not going to care about this? Master Lin isn’t really a kind man. If he were to start flaming you on Weibo, things are going to get worse.”

“What’s the point of caring about this? We are real estate developers. The houses are there. They’d be there regardless of whether people buy them or not. How could this affect their decisions? This will be resolved by tomorrow.” Zhou Guo Sheng sounded really calm.

Although he was furious, he didn’t seem to care too much about it.



## Chapter 788: I trust his character

The next day!

At Cloud Street.

Wu You Lan said, “Brother Lin, is the problem with the workers’ salaries resolved?”

“Not yet, it will be resolved soon. The Ministry of Manpower is involved. It should be settled really soon.” Lin Fan thought about what had happened the day before and was feeling pretty helpless. This matter wasn’t really something that people could resolve with power. These people were experienced and sly. They had many ways to waste time.

Also, they were experts at pushing the blame around.

Yesterday, the worker from the Ministry of Manpower asked the real estate developers, people from the construction and labor services companies to meet up for a discussion. They probably didn’t reach any conclusion. They probably just pushed the blame around and said they had no money.

If they kept claiming that they had no money, what could you do about that?

Furthermore, another problem was that the migrant workers didn’t sign any labor services contract. They could just deny that they worked for their companies. What could they do about it?

This involved several million dollars. It was difficult for people to recover the money.

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At the construction company.

Director Liu was really frustrated. He was asked to be at the Ministry of Manpower and he was being threatened by them.

However, he really had no money.

He only received \$15 million instead of the agreed sum of \$20 million. He used all of the money on the project. If he were to receive the additional \$5 million, he would definitely have had enough money to pay the workers.

Who could he blame? He could only blame the real estate developers. He wasn't at fault.

At the labor services company.

He didn't expect Director Liu of the construction company to be so sly. He immediately reduced their funds by \$7 million. It was really ruthless.

The money was being deducted down the chain of command. It was a common thing but this was ruthless. It was practically jeopardizing people's salaries.

What could the small amount of money do?

They couldn't have done anything with it.

Therefore, the three parties blamed each other and nobody was willing to pay the workers.

Especially the labor services company, they claimed that the workers worked without any contract. They also said that they weren't their workers. If they had signed any contracts, they could present it and they would definitely pay them their salaries.

However, it was a pity that most of the migrant workers didn't sign any contracts.

Leader Wang was helpless in the situation. These bosses were experienced and sly. It was difficult for them to pay the workers honestly. In the end, he could only go to arbitration.

Initially, he didn't want to be involved in this problem. However, he had to do something about it after Lin Fan got him involved. Furthermore, the reporters were just waiting to for something to report about.

On the Internet.

The reporters were all on Lin Fan's side. They immediately wrote their scripts when they got back.

'Mother Earth Real Estate Corporation owed migrant workers their annual salaries.'

'The documents have been passed down the chain of command. Why do the migrant workers always face such a problem? Who is supposed to be responsible for this?'

'The builders of the city landscapes shouldn't face such a treatment.'

'Leader Wang of the Ministry of Manpower is involved in this and he had requested for the developers to pay the workers.'

'It clearly isn't the first time that Mother Earth Real Estate Corporation has delayed payment.'

'Master Lin has requested payment for his fan, what do you think of that?'

Many different headlines surfaced on the Internet. In the past, a news like this wouldn't have received so much publicity. However, it was different this time.

Because this matter involved Master Lin.

The netizens.

"F\*ck, is this matter still unresolved?"

"Master Lin is too good. If you want to have an idol, you have to be a fan of Master Lin."

"The real estate developers are shameless. How can they delay the salaries of the migrant workers?"

"The Lunar New Year is almost here. Can they just let them return home for a good holiday?"

“Mother Earth Real Estate Corporation sounds a little familiar. We have a newly developed small district that was also developed by them.”

“We have to support Master Lin for this.”

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The netizens made the atmosphere online really intense. Many of them were flaming Mother Earth Real Estate Corporation.

Of course, some of them were trying to speak for these real estate developers. However, these comments were soon flooded by righteous netizens.

At Mother Earth Real Estate Corporation.

Zhou Guo Sheng and the other directors had drunk quite a lot of alcohol the previous night. He was still recovering from his hangover. When he arrived at his office, his secretary rushed over.

“Director Zhou, something bad happened,” the secretary said anxiously.

“Why are you so anxious? Even if the sky is falling, you don’t have to be so anxious,” Zhou Guo Sheng reprimanded. Then, he asked, “Tell me, what is it?”

The secretary showed him the news, “Director Zhou, look at this. The Internet said a lot of bad things about our company. It has sparked a big discussion.”

“Discussion? What discussion?” Zhou Guo Sheng looked at the news and his face changed. “What is happening?”

The secretary replied, “The plot of land that we developed at Chao Hai Road that was previously outsourced but the labor services company didn’t pay the workers. This matter was reported to the Ministry of Manpower.”

Zhou Guo Sheng furrowed his brows, “That only involves the labor services company. What does it have to do with us?”

The secretary said, "But the people out there don't think so."

Zhou Guo Sheng waved his hand, "Don't care about them. Let them do what they want. Tell the labor service company to resolve it quickly. If not, we'll meet in court."

\*knock, knock\*

Then, someone knocked on the door.

"Come in."

The manager of the sales department rushed in anxiously, "Director Zhou, something is wrong. A lot of people are withdrawing from the housing units all over the country. A lot of people are gathering at the sites to ask for salaries."

Zhou Guo Sheng replied, "What is going on? Why are they asking for their salaries?"

"No, they're asking on behalf of the workers," the manager said.

"D\*mn it, these citizens must really be very free. They're not even buying any houses and they're so good at causing trouble," Zhou Guo Sheng said furiously.

Of course, he hadn't felt the seriousness of this problem. After all, the lands that they developed were really well located. They were bound to sell out.

However, he couldn't let this matter progress further.

He had to think of something to resolve this.

However, what was Master Lin doing? After all, he didn't offend him at all. What did the development of a small district have anything to do with him? Did he have to be such a busybody?

Then, Zhou Guo Sheng's impression of Lin Fan was really affected.

Ding ding!

Then, a phone call came.

Zhou Guo Sheng looked at the phone and his face changed. Then, he waved his hand to ask his secretary and the manager to leave. Then, he picked up the phone and answered politely.

“Chief Lu, may I know why you called?”

The person on the phone was the director of Lu Corporation. Although Zhou Guo Sheng was powerful, he couldn't be compared to such a big company. It was a big difference.

He had been at the same entrepreneurial events with him before. He had always wanted to speak to him but he didn't have any chance to do so. After all, he wasn't powerful enough.

He only managed to save his number with the help of someone.

They had been working on a project together. Although they were still in the early stages, Zhou Guo Sheng knew that his ranking in the list of most wealthy people would definitely improve if the discussions were successful.

Lu Li said, “Chief Zhou, your company owes the workers salaries. I think this is pathetic. I am feeling doubtful of your company now.”

Zhou Guo Sheng was anxious after hearing that, “Chief Lu, please listen to me. This is a misunderstanding. Only the labor services company is involved in this. I am also a victim.”

Lu Li replied, “I am not asking about what had happened. Lu Corporation only works with reputable companies. Your Mother Earth company is in shambles now. I called to inform you that we need to discuss our partnership again.”

“Oh, right. Don't say that I listened to the rumors. I am good friends with Master Lin. He saved my life. I trust him a lot. You don't have to say too much. You should understand where I am coming from. Alright, I'll hang up now.”

Lu Li didn't say anything else. He just hung up.

Zhou Guo Sheng was dumbfounded. He didn't understand what was going on.

Chapter 789: What kind of relationship?

He couldn't understand how the boss of Lu Corporation was close to Master Lin.

It was illogical.

At Lu Corporation.

Lu Li called Director Zhou personally to return Master Lin a favor. However, he would never be able to repay him for saving his life.

The fact that he saved his life meant that he had to repay him with his life.

He knew that Master Lin wasn't the type to rely on favors. He would usually depend on himself to resolve problems.

After knowing about this incident, he didn't say anything much. He just called him immediately. He used the reputation of Lu Corporation and his own ability to reprimand Director Zhou. He wanted him to admit his mistakes.

Several million dollars were indeed just peanuts to him. However, it wasn't easy to obtain. Every brilliant entrepreneur wouldn't miss out on money. However, if they didn't stand to gain anything, they wouldn't care about it.

Zhou Guo Sheng could just spend a few million dollars to pay the workers. However, the problems with the internal departments caused this and he wasn't going to fork out his own money so easily.

Even if they were to pay, he would make the labor services company pay for it.

The secretary said, "Chief Lu, we could've just called on your behalf for this."

Lu Li smiled and waved his hand, "It's okay, you can leave now."

To the secretaries, they all had the dream of becoming wealthy women. Furthermore, Lu Li was single. He was a wealthy bachelor and everyone wanted to become his wife. However, he wasn't really involved with the women and the secretaries were helpless about it.

At Cloud Street.

Elder Liang said, "Little Boss, what are you going to do during the Lunar New Year?"

Lin Fan replied, "I'm not going home. My family is coming over to Shanghai. We're going to the Children's Welfare Institute to spend it with the children. What about you?"

Elder Liang said, "I have to go back home. I am prepared to close my shop a few days later to go back earlier. I have worked so hard for the past year and I want to stay at home for a while longer." Then, he smiled, "Little Boss, you can't always stay single. Should I go back home and find some ladies for you?"

"Elder Liang, something must be wrong with you. I am still so young. Why do I need to go through a matchmaking?" Lin Fan said.

Wu You Lan sneakily glared at Elder Liang after hearing that. Elder Liang realized that she was glaring at him and smiled. He was really envious of Little Boss.

Wu You Lan was really pretty and capable and he didn't even think about marrying her.

He really couldn't understand the young people these days.

Ding ding!



Then, his phone rang.

Lin Fan looked at it and it was a call from a stranger.

“Hello, who is this?” Lin Fan asked.

The person on the phone sounded calm. It was as if he was trying to get into his good books.

“Hi, Master Lin. I am the director of Mother Earth Real Estate Corporation, Zhou Guo Sheng.”  
Zhou Guo Sheng was helpless. He had to resolve the problem quickly.

Director Lu called him personally and he couldn't have done anything else. Even if he had to fork out his own money, he had to pay the workers.

“Oh, Director Zhou, what is it? Are you prepared to pay the workers?” Lin Fan asked.

He wasn't really troubled about anything besides the problem with this Mother Earth company.

They could just resolve it by paying the workers.

They just wanted to drag the situation longer. Lin Fan wasn't a fan of offending people. However, if he had to offend people to resolve something, he would do it.

“Yes, yes. This was our management's mistake. I am really helpless with regards to owing the workers their salaries. Master Lin, you should know that my family business is really big and I can't take care of all of the things well,” Zhou Guo Sheng said politely to Lin Fan.

He had to talk to Master Lin politely. If not, what else could he have done?

He was going to make a big loss.

He lost the big project with Lu Corporation over a few million dollars. If only he was smart enough to realize the seriousness of this issue.

Furthermore, this matter was a small one and he had to resolve it personally as the boss of his company.

Lin Fan didn't expect him to really agree to pay the workers. It was an unexpected occurrence. If he did it to avoid people talking about it, that would be illogical. If he did it to avoid that, he would have paid the workers yesterday.

However, Lin Fan wasn't going to be polite to him.

"You're a Director indeed. You understand the problem. You said that the workers are your foundation and if you were to lose your foundation, who would be there to build your houses, right?" Lin Fan said.

Zhou Guo Sheng replied, "Yes, yes. Master Lin put it really accurately. If I had known about this earlier, I would've paid the workers immediately. The managers these days are really terrible. When this is over, I will teach them a lesson."

Lin Fan replied, "Alright, Director Zhou, you must be an understanding person. I won't be too overboard with this. After you pay the workers, I will delete the Weibo posts. However, I feel that you should give the workers some reimbursement. You should pay them 1.5x of their salaries. After all, if you were to go to arbitration, that would be the outcome too. Don't you think so?"

"Huh?" Zhou Guo Sheng was stunned. 1.5x their salaries? Didn't that mean that he was going to lose extra money?

However, could he still think about this? He felt that Master Lin was really ruthless. It was clearly not his fault but he was trying to make things difficult for him.

"Sure, I'll do as per Master Lin's instructions. It's indeed our fault for this problem. We'll pay them 1.5x their salaries then. However, can I please request Master Lin to speak to Chief Lu?"

"If you were to say that you had that kind of relationship with Chief Lu, I wouldn't have allowed this matter to progress to this stage. Don't you think so?"

Lin Fan was stunned. What Chief Lu? Who was he talking about?

He didn't know who he was.

However, Director Zhou was saying that Chief Lu had a special relationship with him. Lin Fan didn't want to expose himself.

"Sure, that will do. Just resolve the problem first. I'll be waiting for good news," Lin Fan immediately promises. Once the problem was resolved, they could discuss with Chief Lu again.

Zhou Guo Sheng wasn't doubtful of him, "Alright, I will get the finance department to transfer the funds. I won't disturb Master Lin anymore."

He hung up.

Lin Fan touched his chin and wondered

"Chief Lu? Which Chief Lu was he talking about? Could it be Lu Li? The boss that got kidnapped with him."

"What did he mean by saying that they had a special kind of relationship?"

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After Zhou Guo Sheng hung up, he gasped helplessly. Master Lin was really ruthless. He immediately asked for an extra 50% of their salaries. Master Lin must have been a really thick-skinned individual to have said that.

However, he admitted defeat.

Then, he made a call. It sounded like he was shouting, "I'll call the finance department later. You have to pay the workers 1.5x their salaries. If something were to happen again, or if you were to deduct money again, you'll be banished. Do you understand?"

Manager Wu was furious after he heard that. He didn't expect his big boss to have called him and spoke to him so furiously. He just nodded and agreed.

“I understand that.”

He didn't expect the workers to be paid 1.5x of their salaries. It was totally unexpected.

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“Brother Lin, did they agree to pay the workers?” Wu You Lan asked.

Lin Fan said, “Yeah, they agreed to pay 1.5x instead.”

Wu You Lan felt really happy. She felt that Brother Lin had done another good deed.

Zhao Zhong Yang was a little doubtful, “Something is wrong. Why did Mother Earth Real Estate Corporation agree to pay? Furthermore, he's paying extra 50%. Is the director stupid?”

Lin Fan didn't say anything. He just pretended that the director was stupid.

However, why did Lu Li decide to help him?

Forget it, he didn't want to think about it. Anyway, the matter had been resolved and everything was perfect.

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In the afternoon.

When the migrant workers went to collect their salaries, they were all in disbelief.

When they reached the construction site and found out that they were going to receive an extra 50%, they were ecstatic. They were all in disbelief.

They really didn't believe it. It was already good that their salaries were not cut. They didn't expect to receive extra 50% of their salaries.

This time, they were definitely going to have a good Lunar New Year.

Young Zhao was so excited that he was about to cry. "We really have to thank Master Lin."

The other migrant workers nodded, "Young Zhao, we really have to thank Master Lin. If not for him, we wouldn't have received our money so quickly. It's all thanks to Master Lin."

The reporters had been following this matter promptly.

When they found out that the workers were going to claim their salaries, they immediately rushed over to interview them.

The reporter asked, "Hi, can I find out how you feel after receiving your salary?"

The worker was in his mid-thirties and his skin was a little calloused. He smiled, "I am really happy. I have to thank Master Lin for this. I have two kids at home. Now that I got my salary, I can afford to buy new clothes for them and spend a good Lunar New Year with them."

The reporters interviewed the migrant workers and all of them were really happy after receiving their salaries.

After that, the reporter interviewed the manager of the construction site.

"May I know the reason why you gave them their salaries? Is it because of the documents that the Ministry of Manpower had given instructions down the chain of command?"

The manager was confused, "I don't know. It's given by our boss. I don't think it's because of the Ministry of Manpower."

The reporter knew what had happened. It was definitely because of Master Lin.

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The next day.

News articles started surfacing again.

The whole incident regarding the workers' salaries was finally concluded.

However, all the news articles said that the issue was resolved thanks to Master Lin. The Ministry of Manpower was minimally involved.

When Lin Fan saw the news articles, he immediately deleted his Weibo posts. It was something that he promised and he had to do it.

Then, he posted something on Weibo again.

"The workers have received their salaries. The matter is resolved. I hope next time the people would not owe the migrant workers their salaries anymore."

The netizens quickly replied to it.

"666... Master Lin is extraordinary. This matter was resolved so quickly."

"These workers are in luck to have met Master Lin. If not for Master Lin, I wonder what the outcome would be like."

"Mother Earth Real Estate Corporation handled this quite efficiently. At least they did a reimbursement."

In the afternoon.

Lin Fan was at Cloud Street and there was a big group of people outside.

When Lin Fan saw them, he smiled and stood up, “Have you received the money?”

The workers didn’t return home immediately after receiving the money, they went to Cloud Street to thank Lin Fan.

To them, if not for Master Lin’s help, they might not have even gotten their money.

Young Zhao said, “Master Lin, we got our salaries.”

“That’s good. Keep it safe, don’t let it get stolen by people on the streets,” Lin Fan smiled.

The workers smiled.

“We have deposited the money into our banks.”

“Yeah, it’s the first time I got so much money.”

“My wife was really happy when I told him.”

Lin Fan talked to them for a while and asked them to return home earlier.

When he saw them leave, Lin Fan felt a sense of achievement. Although he had to depend on Lu Li for this matter, he felt that the end result was more important than the process.

Then, he called the leader of the Ministry of Manpower to thank him. After all, it was really nice of him to have agreed to help.

Although he wasn’t really willing to help, he didn’t reject him. That was already good enough.

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Then, Elder Dog Nicholas stood up and looked at Sister Hong's shop before running towards it.

Lin Fan was a little stunned, "Hey, what's with Elder Dog?"

Then, Sister Hong shouted, "Master Lin, a puppy is coming out."

Then, Cloud Street got really lively.

Wu You Lan immediately stopped what she was doing, "Let's go and have a look."

The other shop owners also stopped. They were really curious to see the babies of Elder Dog being born. After all, Elder Dog was the small celebrity of Cloud Street. He was the elder of the dogs.

In the house.

Flowers was lying in the house. Sister Hong had prepared everything.

The room was pretty warm and it was significantly warmer than the temperature outside.

Elder Dog stood aside and looked at what was happening. He walked around in the house. When Elder Dog was prepared to move forward, Flowers just barked at Elder Dog.

It was as if she didn't want any living thing near her.

Wu You Lan asked curiously, "How many will she give birth to?"

Fraud Tian looked at her big belly, "I think there will be at least six."

After a while.

Three small puppies were lying down there and whimpering softly.



Elder Dog looked at them and ran around happily in the house.

Elder Liang smiled, "Look at Elder Dog. He seems so happy. However, Sister Hong, can I adopt one?"

Sister hong smiled, "No way. I'm taking care of them."

Elder Zhang said, "Sigh, Sister Hong, you're a little selfish. There are three small puppies, you should give us some."

Fraud Tian touched his chin, "That's illogical. Why are there only three?"

Lin Fan didn't expect Elder Dog to have babies so quickly. He was thinking about how long he had adopted Elder dog.

Time past really quickly.

The three dogs inherited Elder Dog's superior genes. They looked snowy white and were hybrids.

Lin Fan smiled and waved his hand, "Alright, the Lunar New Year is almost here. Let's go back. We should have a good feast today."

"That sounds good."

"Let's go to Dongyue Entertainment Hotel. We can go for a karaoke after that."

Lin Fan didn't expect them to want to go to Liu Xu's place. However, he didn't mind it. Recently, she didn't really offend him anyway. He wanted to go there to support her.

"Let's go." Lin Fan waved his hand and left for their destination.

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On the way there.

Zhao Zhong Yang was driving and Lin Fan took out his phone to call his parents.

“Dad, when are you going to come over?”

“I booked the tickets for the day after tomorrow.”

“Alright, tell me when you’re here. I will fetch all of you.”

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