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Outside the Hill:

Naruto: The Wind Calamity Chapter 131: Chaos inside the Hill 'Earth Release: Mountain Destroyer jutsu' Chakra poured from Renjiro's palms into the hill. The hill began collapsing. In merely 3 seconds, the entire hill collapsed! The rogue Kiri nins felt the ground under them trembling. In a second, some rocks began falling! Their expressions grew grim! By then, only 11 ninjas had assembled there. 3 still hadn't made it to that room. They understood that they needed to escape! However, escaping to the cave entrance would be very dangerous! Realizing their grim situation, Mitsuzuka made a hand sign. Immediately, a Water Prison began forming around them. He shouted, "Pour your fucking chakra into this jutsu everyone!" The rogue ninjas wasted no time and immediately began pouring their chakra into Mitsuzuka's Water Prison jutsu. The water prison became larger and denser as a result of everyone's chakra. Rocks kept falling on it but didn't damage it. However, the first critical time was when the ground under them collapsed. The Water Prison sphere also fell and maintaining its form became very difficult. Through everyone's desperate efforts, they managed to hold on! The second critical time was when the Water Prison hit the ground after falling! This time, they didn't manage to maintain the sphere. The impact on the ground coupled with the rocks falling on it broke the jutsu! However, 4 ninjas used Water Barrier jutsu to provide protection.

While the hill was collapsing, the Yugakure ninjas were struggling with the traps. Tokuhei erected Earth Walls to protect everyone. The ninjas themselves used kunais to block incoming needles.

They managed to withstand the barrage. Tokuhei breathed in relief when one of them fell to the ground.

Shunso immediately moved towards him. He checked him. Others gathered around him. Shunso said, "He is alright. It's just two needles that hit his thighs."

He removed the needles and observed them. The others got worried thinking that the needles were poisoned. After checking the needles and the fallen ninja, Shunso said, "The needles are coated with some anesthetic medicine. He will probably sleep for some time."

Everyone breathed a sigh of relief. Tokuhei said, "Shunso, stay here and keep him safe. Others follow me. It looks like they have already begun fighting. We can't be left out!"

Fujin, Hoka and Mieko got the front row seat to watch a small hill collapse. However, they weren't very surprised. By now, they had seen a lot of crazy stunts that Renjiro kept pulling.

All three immediately focused on the rogue ninjas inside the debris. Fujin spread his chakra field to sense them. There was no more need for maintaining stealth. He made a few hand signs and prepared a Wind Vacuum Bullet. Hoka and Mieko got ready as well!

Inside the collapsed hill, there was chaos! The 11 who were together managed to avoid critical injuries. However, most of them had minor injuries due to pieces of rocks falling on them. One chunin had a minor concussion.

However, the 3 who weren't along with them suffered. 2 of them specialized in the Water element, while the last one specialized in the Earth element.

All three had woken up due to the ground wave produced by Mitsuzuka. However, they were deep in sleep and woke up a few seconds later. By the time they began moving, the hill had already begun collapsing!

They didn't understand. Similar thoughts ran through their minds, 'What the hell happened? We were having the time of our life before we went to sleep! Why is this happening? That too right after we left that shithole!'

The two Water affinity ninjas tried protecting themselves, but they were crushed by the rocks. The Earth affinity ninja tried going underground. However, the ground under him itself crumbled! But, he still managed to build an Earth Dome to protect himself just in time. He got buried under the debris but stayed alive.

Even before the two sides had met in combat, Renjiro had almost killed a quarter of their numbers!

On seeing his efficiency, Fujin had just one thought, 'Need a team my ass!'

Renjiro made another hand sign and slammed his palms on the ground.

'Earth Release: Thousand Needles jutsu'

On seeing Renjiro perform another jutsu, his students, once again, had the same thought running through their minds. They thought, 'Please leave one for us too, Sensei!'

At the same time, Mitsuzuka made a few hand signs.

'Water Release: Water Shock bomb'

He spat out a jet of water that hit the debris on top of them. On contact, it exploded and sent the debris flying over. It created a hole for them to escape.

However, at that very instant, hundreds of earth needles formed in the ground around them and instantly shot at them. All of them noticed it, however at varying speeds. The ones who noticed the needles forming jumped up the hole immediately.

Six of them managed to jump safely out of the range of the needles. Three got cut by a few needles that just cut across their flesh. One had a dozen needles stabbing him, but none were critical.

However, the last one was unfortunate. He was the slowest to notice and jump. He got turned into a pincushion and died!

He didn't die alone. The last member of the rogue group who wasn't with them also died to the thousand needles jutsu. He had trapped himself inside an Earth Dome and had no way to get out or defend himself quickly.

The number of rogue ninjas dropped to 10! And yet, their misery wasn't over! As soon as they jumped out, they still had to protect themselves from the sneak attacks of the students of the man who made them miserable!

The first person to leave the hole was Mitsuzuka. As soon as he left the hole, he saw three shurikens targeting him. He quickly deflected them and looked at where the shurikens came from. His eyes landed on Renjiro and widened. He exclaimed, "Motherfucking Senju Renjiro!"

As soon as the rogue nins left the hole, they were greeted by shurikens thrown by Mieko with pinpoint accuracy. Mieko targeted the first two who left the debris. Both were Jounins and they easily blocked her shurikens.

Unlike Mieko, both Hoka and Fujin could only select one to attack. Hoka felt ambitious! He decided to target a Jounin. Whereas Fujin decided to be efficient.

Hoka ended up choosing Fumimaro as his target. Fumimaro was the third one to leave the debris. Hoka aimed a Vacuum Palm at his heart. Fumimaro sensed Hoka attacking him. He spat out a Water Bullet to counter it. It clashed with the Vacuum palm and nullified it.

Fujin targeted the 5th person to leave the debris. His chakra was higher than an average chunin. Guessing him to be an Elite Chunin, Fujin chose him. As soon as he appeared, Fujin shot a Vacuum Bullet at his heart.

Unlike Fumimaro, Fujin's target didn't have sensory capabilities. Additionally, Fujin's Vacuum Bullet was many times faster than Hoka's Vacuum Palm. He didn't even see the attack coming and had his heart pierced!

The rogue Kiri ninjas finally landed on top of the debris. They watched with grim faces. 7 of them had been killed without them even seeing who their enemy was!

At the same time, the Yugakure ninjas also arrived there and landed beside Team Renjiro. Their eyes widened on seeing the scene before them! Two headless corpses with Earth Spears piercing through their bodies were next to them. The hill where the rogue ninjas were supposed to be had completely collapsed. And the 9 enemies they saw all had some injuries on them, while the Konoha ninjas didn't even have a scratch on them!

Mitsuzuka immediately analyzed the situation and yelled, "DISPERSE!"

He instantly flickered away. The others followed him.

Team Renjiro and Tokuhei immediately gave chase. Renjiro made a Shadow clone. He chased Mitsuzuka while his clone chased Fumimaro. Tokuhei went after the 3rd Jounin.

Fujin, Mieko and Hoka chose a chunin level target. Mieko and Hoka looked for the ones who have higher chakra amongst the chunins, while Fujin went after the one who was injured.

The remaining Yugakure ninjas were slow. They moved around 1-2 seconds after the others. Usually, Tokuhei would command them, but he was feeling pressure due to their subpar performance so far. So he moved quickly believing that his subordinates would do their job.

They quickly gave chase too. Shusaku went after a chunin alone. The remaining 4 chased in pairs.

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Chapter 132: The Interference of the Clones

The 10 Konoha and Yugakure ninjas chased after 9 rogue ninjas from Kirigakure.

Mitsuzuka noticed the enemy splitting up. He made a hand sign. 3 water clones formed around him. They dispersed in different directions.

Renjiro noticed them and made a hand sign too. 3 shadow clones appeared. They chased after the water clones.

Renjiro didn't mind this. His chakra was much larger than Mitsuzuka's chakra. And he was confident that the water clones won't be able to interfere in the fights with his students. As for the Yugakure ninjas, he didn't care much.

The first one to catch up to his prey was Fujin. Fujin was the 2nd one to flicker among the group. Only Renjiro was faster than him. In addition, Fujin's opponent was injured. He had a dozen needles stuck in his body. Fujin caught up with him with just 2 flickers.

On seeing him, he grabbed his sword and rushed at him. This rogue ninja was Imamura Seitaro. He didn't want to fight at close range due to the needles stuck in him. They limited his movements.

He made a few hand signs quickly, 'Water Release: Wild Water Wave jutsu'

A 5-meter tall and 20-meter wide wave of water appeared in front of Fujin. Fujin decided to take it head-on. Chakra flowed through Fujin's sword. He grabbed it with both his hands and swung it with a huge force.

A horizontal flying slash of wind chakra was sent. It slashed the wave and moved towards Seitaro. The accompanying winds completely dispersed his jutsu.

Seitaro was shocked! He had never seen a jutsu like this! He quickly jumped up thinking, 'What jutsu is this? I recall the Samurais sending flying slashes, but it was nothing like this!'

The slash passed from under him. It cut a lot of trees directly behind him. However, he wasn't uninjured. He was hit by the razor-sharp winds. Numerous cuts appeared on his body. Both his eyes were cut as well!

He yelled in pain and horror. In the next second, his heart was hit by an Air bullet. He fell down dead!

After the rogue ninjas escaped, the first ninja died in under 30 seconds! They would have never imagined such a result. Fujin created a shadow clone to seal and store his body. He grabbed the scroll and moved towards other targets.

While Fujin was fighting, the others were still chasing.

The three jounins successfully escaped into the sea. However, Renjiro and Tokuhei chased them into the seas.

Mieko and Hoka managed to intercept their targets before they entered the sea. They began fighting. However, they were restricted as they had to ensure that their opponent didn't escape into the sea.

All three of the chunins that Yugakure's chunins chased also entered the sea. They followed them.

The fight would have entered a deadlock, if not for two variables. The first one was Fujin, who killed his opponent in little time. The second variable was the water clones of Mitsuzuka.

Mitsuzuka had seen Renjiro stand with the 3 kids before the Yugakure ninjas arrived. He had speculated that those 3 were his students. His three water clones rushed towards Fujin, Hoka, and Mieko. Renjiro's shadow clones followed them.

Mieko's opponent was Nakane Motoyuki. He was an Elite Chunin who specialized in the Water element.

Mieko was faster than him. She and Motoyuki stepped on the beach at the same time. She threw 2 shurikens at him and another 2 shurikens to cut off his escape route to the sea.

Motoyuki easily blocked the 2 shurikens. He looked at Mieko with disdain. However, Mieko's eyes turned red. He immediately became very alert. The Sharingan was a nightmare in battle! He was about to escape to the sea when he noticed that the other 2 shurikens had wires attached. Mieko controlled those wires to redirect the shurikens at Motoyuki from the other side.

At the same time, she used Fireball jutsu.

Motoyuki moved to dodge the 2 shurikens. While moving, he used Water Wall jutsu to block the fireball.

The Fireball hit the Water Wall and steam spread through the region. Motoyuki immediately made a few hand signs. The mist began gathering in the region. Mieko frowned as she noticed the Mist getting formed.

She was about to make a move when she felt danger! She immediately moved to her right.

A water bullet passed through her previous location. If she hadn't moved, it would have hit her heart!

Mitsuzuka's water clone beat Renjiro's shadow clone in reaching this battlefield. However, it didn't accomplish anything as Mieko dodged it and Motoyuki couldn't take any advantage of the opening it provided.

Spikes formed under the Water clone. The water clone quickly moved out of the way. Renjiro's shadow clone had also appeared on this battlefield.

Mieko observed both with her Sharingans and realized that they were clones. Renjiro's clone made a few hand signs, 'Great Breakthrough jutsu.'

The jutsu cleared out all the mist and steam. While the jutsu was harmless, the water clone was vulnerable. He immediately used Water Wall jutsu to protect himself.

Renjiro's clone appeared next to Mieko. Mieko grinned. She hadn't had the opportunity to fight alongside Renjiro as an equal yet. Neither did Fujin or Hoka. She was sure that she was the first among her teammates.

Renjiro said, "While I am still here, we can fight even in water. I'll take care of it."

Mieko nodded and said, "Alright sensei!"

The 1v1 turned into 2v2. Both sides would be stuck in a deadlock.

The situation with Hoka was similar. He tried dominating with his Taijutsu, but his opponent managed to keep his distance. However, Vacuum Palm proved to be a huge challenge for him.

They were in a deadlock until Renjiro and Mitsuzuka's clones entered the battlefield. Due to Hoka's Byakugan, no sneak attack was possible. It just turned into a 2v2.

In the same way as Hoka and Mieko got attacked, the last water clone of Mitsuzuka went towards Fujin. Unfortunately for him, Fujin's fight was already over. He immediately sensed two chakra signatures moving towards him.

Fujin frowned, 'One chakra signature belongs to Renjiro. But it is much weaker. Should be a clone. Who is the other guy? Is it a clone too? Or a new enemy?'

Mitsuzuka's water clone frowned as well. He felt that he was sensed. He thought, 'His students are so fucking bothersome! All 3 have some sort of sensory abilities. How the fuck should I sneak attack them?'

The aspect that made Mitsuzuka a terrible enemy was his ability to make perfect sneak attacks. Unfortunately, that ability was almost made useless. He frowned thinking, 'I made the wrong choice. I should have gone after the fucking Yugakure ninjas.'

Not knowing who was coming, Fujin prepared the Air bullet jutsu. Knowing that a sneak attack would be useless, Mitsuzuka's water clone increased his speed to attack Fujin with full power. Renjiro's shadow clone increased his speed as well.

Renjiro's clones couldn't catch Mitsuzuka's clones as they moved in a random way to avoid Renjiro's clones. With Mitsuzuka's clone traveling in a straight line, Renjiro's clone was able to close the distance.

As soon as he appeared in view, Fujin recognized him. Seeing that it was an enemy, Fujin attacked with the Air Bullet jutsu. 7 air bullets were shot at and around Mitsuzuka's water clone.

Renjiro's shadow clone noticed the attack and moved out of the way. Mitsuzuka's clone also moved out of the way quickly. The jutsu barely missed him! Had it hit, the clone would have been dispelled.

Mitsuzuka's clone was confused. He thought, 'Why isn't anyone fighting with him? Did he stop chasing?'

However, the clone didn't think for long. He immediately made a few hand signs.

'Water Release: Waterfall Jutsu!'

A huge column of water crashed down towards Fujin. Fujin was annoyed, 'I can understand if his main body tried attacking me head-on. But a mere clone wants to take on me in Ninjutsu?'

A huge amount of chakra gathered on Fujin. Renjiro's clone smirked on noticing it. He made a few hand signs. Mitsuzuka's clone's eyes widened on sensing Fujin's huge chakra. Fujin supercharged his jutsu and launched it without making any hand signs.

'Wind Release: Great Breakthrough jutsu'

Fujin's supercharged Great Breakthrough jutsu hit Mitsuzuka's Waterfall jutsu. Though the Waterfall jutsu was two ranks higher, the amount of chakra the Water clone had was very limited. After all, Mitsuzuka made it to sneak attack and not to attack head-on.

The Great Breakthrough jutsu tore into the Waterfall jutsu and dispersed the water. The Water clone immediately used another jutsu.

'Water Release : Water Prison jutsu'

The Great Breakthrough jutsu hit the water prison. It was sent flying, but it held firm. Even so, the water clone had a grim expression. His chakra was almost over.

While the Great Breakthrough jutsu was dying down, an Earth spear appeared under the Water Prison. It pierced through it. The Water clone saw the Earth spear. Unfortunately, he didn't have the chakra to do anything about it.

He avoided it, but the Water Prison jutsu was dispelled. He looked at the winds of the Great Breakthrough jutsu and shouted, "Fucking hell!"

The Great Breakthrough jutsu hit and dispelled him.

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Chapter 133: Hoka finally gets to use Taijutsu!

A few kilometers away from the shores, Mitsuzuka looked behind. Renjiro was still hot on his tail. He thought, 'One of my clones was dispelled. And so soon too. Sigh, how did we attract this bastard?'

Fujin looked at Renjiro's clone. He was hiding inside an Earth Dome. The dome collapsed. Renjiro's clone flickered next to Fujin. He asked, "What's the status?"

Fujin replied, "My opponent is dead. How are things with you?"

Renjiro's clone answered, "My opponent made a few Water clones and sent them to sneak attack you three."

Fujin nodded. He had concluded along the same lines.

Renjiro's clone said, "My clones have gone to Hoka and Mieko as well. You go help Hoka. I'll help Mieko."

Fujin nodded and flickered. He had already sensed Hoka. Fujin landed on a tree beside the beach. A frown appeared on his face, 'These guys are fighting on water. I won't be able to sneak attack.'

Fujin observed the situation properly. Renjiro's shadow clone was suppressing the Water jutsus of Mitsuzuka's Water clone and the other rogue ninja.

Both the water clone and the rogue ninja maintained a long distance from Hoka. His Gentle Fist and Vacuum Palm were too threatening. However, Renjiro's clone and Hoka weren't able to attack effectively either.

Fujin thought, 'I should consider getting a summon that can fight in the water. After all, my Water affinity is pretty much non-existent. I'll be in danger if I get trapped underwater.'

After observing for a minute, Fujin sighed, 'There is no way to sneak attack. Maybe I should have bugged Hiruzen for a jutsu that can attack over a kilometer away with pinpoint accuracy instantly. Surely he'd have something like that. Even if he doesn't, considering the badass titles he has, he should be able to create a new jutsu like that, right?'

Fortunately for Hiruzen, he couldn't know Fujin's thoughts.

Fujin made a few hand signs.

'Wind Release: Vacuum Bullet jutsu'

A vacuum bullet formed inside Fujin's mouth.

Chakra gathered on his feet and Fujin flickered. The fight was happening around 250 meters from the shore. Fujin flickered thrice in quick succession.

Mitsuzuka's clone felt Fujin's danger and looked at him. He shouted, "Another ninja is coming. Pay attention, Ryu!"

Ueda Ryu paid attention to the new enemy while keeping an eye on the existing ones.

Fujin appeared on the battlefield in the blink of an eye. His target was the Water Clone. The Water Clone noticed that Fujin had built his chakra and was moving towards him. Immediately, a water wall appeared between them.

Fujin grinned and used Vacuum Bullet jutsu. The Water Clone's sight was blocked by the water wall. However, sensing danger, he moved towards his left.

While moving, he saw something piercing the water wall he erected. He increased his speed. The vacuum bullet barely missed his abdomen. However, Fujin grinned. It was enough.

The protective wind around the vacuum core was removed when it hit the water wall. As the Vacuum core of the Vacuum Bullet passed by the side of the Water Clone's abdomen, it created a strong suction force. This force created a cut on the clone's abdomen as it absorbed some water from the clone. This cut was enough to dispel the clone.

The Water clone watched with wide eyes as he was being dispelled. He would never imagine that a kid not even in his teens would dispel him.

Ryu watched with wide eyes. He cursed internally, 'What the hell! Not only did he lead Renjiro's clone here, but he got dispelled by a kid who hasn't even grown any facial hairs yet! What did I do to that foul-mouthed bastard that he would resort to such means to kill me?'

Ryu's complaints were understandable. Unfortunately, that wouldn't stop the Konoha ninjas from killing him.

With the water clone dispelled, Fujin, Hoka and Renjiro's clone looked at Ryu. Ryu's hair all stood up! He had seen the capabilities of the clone. He knew that he had no chance of escaping into the water.

Hoka took the Gentle Fist stance. Fujin grabbed his swords. They would be more practical while fighting on water.

Ryu quickly shouted, "WAIT, I surrender! I will give you all the secret information about Kirigakure. Just don't kill me!"

Hoka and Fujin didn't make any move and waited for Renjiro to decide. However, both were ready to make a move at a moment's notice.

Renjiro judged for a moment. On deciding, he said, "Alright. Don't resist. If you do, I will kill you. Hoka, close all his chakra points."

Understanding his position, Ryu didn't resist. Hoka attacked him and closed all his chakra points. Renjiro's clone flickered next to Ryu and knocked him unconscious. He put a Chakra Suppression Seal on him.

He looked at Hoka and Fujin and said, "You two go check on Mieko. I will keep an eye on him."

They nodded and flickered. Renjiro's clone carried Ryu and flickered to the forest and hid among trees.

Hoka and Fujin moved towards Mieko. Hoka asked, "How did you finish your battle so quickly?"

Fujin shrugged and said, "I attacked that injured guy. Why did you rush after an Elite Chunin?"

Hoka snorted and said, "I wanted to fight a stronger opponent."

Fujin smirked and asked, "Oh, I hope you had fun."

Hoka didn't reply to Fujin. However, he was complaining endlessly in his mind, 'I only fought him by myself for half a minute. Then the two Jounin clones interfered and dominated the fight! I barely got to fight!'

On Mieko's battlefield, Motoyuki was stunned when he saw another clone of Renjiro entering the battlefield. Motoyuki swore endlessly in his mind, 'I was winning the fight! I had set up the Hidden Mist jutsu. I could have easily escaped into the seas. I would have left far away in no time!

But Mitsuzuka's clone led Renjiro's clone here! With his methods, I couldn't escape! And now, another one showed up here! Don't fucking help if you are going to make the matters worse!'

Mitsuzuka's clone's expression was also grim. It understood the significance of Renjiro's clone showing up here. It meant that one of his fellow clones was defeated. And the ninja alongside him was also killed or captured.

A huge fight began. The Water clone desperately tried to defend himself while trying to create an opportunity to escape for Motoyuki. Unfortunately, nothing worked.

The teamwork of the two clones was flawless. And Mieko provided perfect support with her shurikens and the threat of Sharingan Genjutsu.

After a bitter struggle, the Water clone finally fell. Just like Ryu, Motoyuki also offered to surrender.

As soon as he offered to surrender, Fujin and Hoka arrived. One of Renjiro's clones looked at Hoka. He looked at Motoyuki and said, "Alright, don't resist. If you do, I will kill you. Hoka, close all his chakra points."

Hoka was surprised to be asked that again. Fujin grinned and taunted, "Today is your lucky day Hoka! You get to attack 2 Elite Chunins with your Gentle Fist. I am so happy for you!"

Hoka's face immediately went dark. He ignored Fujin and walked ahead while thinking, 'I want to fight them head-on! This is just lame!'

He followed the clone's command and closed his chakra points. The clone knocked him out and put a Chakra Suppression Seal on him.

Fujin said, "Sensei, even Hoka's opponent surrendered. Your other clone took him back to the shore."

One of the clones nodded and said, "I will take care of him."

He grabbed Motoyuki and flickered.

Mieko had heard Fujin's comment. She grinned and said, "Good job Hoka! I am glad you finally found opponents to fight with Taijutsu."

Both she and Fujin began laughing. Hoka's face got even darker. He looked at Mieko and said, "Why are you laughing? Even with two of Sensei's clones helping you, you were the slowest of us!"

That made Mieko scowl. She immediately began arguing with Hoka. Fujin silently moved away and stood next to Renjiro's clone. He was trying hard to suppress his laughter.

Renjiro's clone was speechless, 'We are in the middle of an A rank mission! And two of my students are arguing mindlessly. And the third one is the one who instigated the argument and is laughing at it! Was I too lenient with them?'

Renjiro's clone let out a cough. That attracted the attention of Mieko and Hoka. Realizing what they have been doing, they immediately stop arguing. However, both gave Fujin a few angry stares.

Fujin saw them but acted like he didn't see them. He thought, 'Oh boy! These two are hilarious as always! It's so hard to suppress my laugh, hahaha.'

Seeing that his students have calmed down, the clone said, "We will leave the enemy Jounins to my main body and Tokuhei. Let us move and clear out the 3 chunins that are engaging against Yugakure."

They nodded and said, "Alright Sensei."

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Chapter 134: Underwater Battle

While Fujin, Mieko and Hoka were dealing with their opponents, the others had begun fighting as well.

Renjiro finally managed to stop Mitsuzuka from running. Mitsuzuka looked at Renjiro and shouted, "Why the fuck are you here Renjiro? I have no interest in fighting you. I'll leave that fucking country of hot springs. That should fulfill your mission parameters, right?"

Renjiro smirked. He wasn't unaware of how foul-mouthed Mitsuzuka was. He said, "Unfortunately, you killed too many civilians. The Daimyo was very insistent on bringing your head back."

A scowl formed on Mitsuzuka's face. He shouted back, "Don't fucking underestimate me Renjiro! I killed dozens of your fucking subordinates in the last war. If you want to kill me, I'll take a fucking piece of you too!"

Renjiro didn't reply. There was no point in engaging in more talks. He made a hand sign.

'Water Release : Water Dragon jutsu'

A water dragon formed behind Renjiro and moved rapidly towards Mitsuzuka. Mitsuzuka flickered while making hand signs.

'Water Release: Water Shock bomb'

He released a jet of water that hit the dragon on its head and exploded. Both jutsus were neutralized. Water showered in all directions. Mitsuzuka thought, 'Too easy. There should be more.'

As Mitsuzuka thought, 3 Water Dragons appeared at the spot where the two jutsus had just clashed. The one in the center moved straight at Mitsuzuka. The other two water dragons split in opposite directions and attacked Mitsuzuka from his right and left.

Mitsuzuka moved backwards while making hand signs. Suddenly, he jumped backwards. A huge head of another Water Dragon appeared under his feet. The Dragon opened its mouth and shot a giant ball of water at Mitsuzuka.

Mitsuzuka watched with a grim expression on his face. He continued making hand signs.

'Water Release: Giant Mirror Shield jutsu'

Just when the water sphere was about to hit him, a giant mirror of Water appeared in front of him.

The ball of water hit the mirror and exploded. The mirror collapsed, but the impact didn't pass through it.

Behind the mirror, Mitsuzuka had used Water Prison jutsu to protect himself.

Renjiro watched from a distance. A sphere of water surrounded Mitsuzuka, who was about 15 meters in the air. Four Water Dragons moved rapidly towards the sphere of water. It looked as if the four dragons were competing with each other for food.

Mitsuzuka kept making more hand signs.

'Water Wall jutsu'

4 thick water walls appeared around the Water Prison. Each water wall blocked a water dragon. The Water Dragons pierced through the water walls and collided with the Water Prison. They exploded on contact.

Mitsuzuka infused a lot of chakra into the Water Prison jutsu. The explosions travelled through the water prison, but Mitsuzuka wasn't hurt. However, the Water Prison crumbled.

Mitsuzuka and water slowly fell down on the surface of the sea. As he was falling down, his eyes were glued on Renjiro, who was standing steadily. He saw that Renjiro wasn't making any move. However, he felt a strong sense of danger!

As soon as he landed on the surface of the sea, a giant claw attacked him. Mitsuzuka immediately flickered out of the way. The giant claw slashed his afterimage into two. However, Mitsuzuka wasn't unhurt. Though he moved quickly, the claw still left 3 long cuts on his back!

Mitsuzuka watched what had attacked him. His eyes widened. It was a gigantic, 25 feet tall, sloth! He muttered in annoyance, 'This fucking beast! I still recall reading reports in the 3rd war of a giant sloth killing and eating my subordinates!'

Renjiro smirked on seeing Mitsuzuka get injured. He had summoned the sloth under the cover of their first clash. He grabbed a sword and flickered towards Mitsuzuka.

Mitsuzuka noticed Renjiro's movement. The giant sloth also began swimming towards him. Understanding his disadvantageous position, Mitsuzuka dived underwater. Both Renjiro and the sloth followed him.

Mitsuzuka dived to a depth of 100 meters. He created 4 Water clones. Renjiro saw them and created 4 Water clones as well. In an instant, all 8 water clones disappeared.

The Water clones moved at a very fast speed underwater. One of Mitsuzuka's water clones attacked the sloth. The sloth, though strong and able to hold its breath underwater, was severely restricted by the water. One of Renjiro's water clones went to help him.

The other 3 water clones flickered around at great speeds and tried to sneak attack Renjiro. Renjiro's clones stopped their sneak attacks and sneak attacked Mitsuzuka as well.

2 men and 6 clones engaged in a high-paced melee underwater. They used numerous Water Release jutsus. While underwater, the power of Water jutsus was amplified by a huge degree. The surface of the sea above them became very chaotic due to the impacts happening under it.

Mitsuzuka was very well-versed in underwater battles. He attacked Renjiro from innovative and unimaginable angles. However, Renjiro was no slouch. He blocked all his attacks.

The battle between the remaining 2 clones and the sloth also continued. Renjiro's clone and the sloth kept attacking as well, but Mitsuzuka's clone countered properly and prevented the sloth from interfering in the battle.

The two remained in a deadlock for a few minutes. To increase the pressure on Renjiro, Mitsuzuka created 3 more clones. Renjiro smirked and created 6 water clones in response.

3 of them went ahead to intercept the 3 new clones of Mitsuzuka. The remaining 3 moved together in a group. Renjiro thought, 'Let's see how you counter this.'

The group of the 3 water clones attacked a clone of Mitsuzuka who was engaged in combat. It was caught off guard due to being suddenly attacked by 3 more clones. One of Renjiro's water clones sent a flying slash at him and dispelled him.

Mitsuzuka's face became grim. He realized the danger that the group of 3 clones posed. He immediately recalled his clones. They stopped fighting and retreated next to him. Renjiro and his clones tried attacking and dispelling them, but they were able to dodge everything and go back safely.

Mitsuzuka and his 6 Water Clones looked at Renjiro and his 10 water clones and his Sloth summon. Renjiro immediately pressed on the attack. His 10 water clones dispersed in different directions and assaulted Mitsuzuka from all sides.

Mitsuzuka's clones entered into a defensive formation. They desperately defended Renjiro's assault. Mitsuzuka cursed in his mind, 'These fucking Senju and their fucking huge reserves! If I keep fighting, my chakra reserves will dry up. I wanted to take advantage of him chasing me and land a killing blow, but he has been so fucking careful! I need to escape. Or I'll be dead. Worse, I'd be eaten by the fucking beast!'

Renjiro's clones kept up the assault. Renjiro floated next to his summon and observed, 'He is in a crunch. If he just makes one misstep, I'll kill him. Either he will need to create more clones or he will need to find a way to escape.'

After desperately defending for a couple of minutes, Mitsuzuka made his decision. He made a hand sign. 5 more Water clones appeared around him.

All his water clones immediately moved to attack Renjiro's clones. The last one attacked Renjiro and his summon. Meanwhile, Mitsuzuka turned around and ran away.

Renjiro noticed it. It was as he anticipated. He quickly made two water clones to intercept the incoming clone. He rode the sloth to chase after Mitsuzuka. The sloth went around the battlefield of the water clones and swam towards where Mitsuzuka had escaped.

However, soon it stopped and turned around and attacked a water clone. Renjiro was surprised. He hadn't instructed the sloth to do anything like this. However, his eyes widened as he realized why the sloth had done this.

The 'water clone' had a grim face! It was actually Mitsuzuka disguised as a water clone. The one who ran away was actually a clone. Mitsuzuka wanted to lure Renjiro's main body away. Then he could create more clones to block all of Renjiro's clones and run away before Renjiro realized that he was tricked.

He immediately began cursing, 'What the fuck? How the fuck can this beast smell underwater?'

He immediately fell into a difficult situation. Renjiro and his clones made a hand sign and assaulted Mitsuzuka with dozens of water bullets.

Mitsuzuka barely managed to dodge and block them. However, a few cuts appeared on his body. Once the Water bullet barrage was over, the sloth moved forward and swung its massive claws at Mitsuzuka. Mitsuzuka immediately moved to dodge it.

Renjiro appeared in his path and attacked him with his sword. Mitsuzuka knew about Renjiro's abilities with a sword. He grabbed his kunai and channeled his chakra through it.

He blocked Renjiro's sword and used the force of the sword to move away from Renjiro. However, Renjiro's clone intercepted him and attacked him with Water Dragon jutsu. At the same time, the sloth as well as Renjiro moved forward to attack Mitsuzuka.

Mitsuzuka desperately defended himself.

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Chapter 135: Mission Incomplete

While Renjiro and Mitsuzuka clashed, Renjiro's clone and Tokuhei also clashed with their opponent. Tokuhei's opponent was Arihyoshi Juichi. They stood face to face on the sea.

Juichi taunted, "Tokuhei, we have heard about you. You are a strong Earth Release user. But..." He smirked and continued, "But, we are at sea. How will you fight me here?"

Tokuhei wasn't affected by his opponent's attempt at disturbing him. He calmly said, "You ninjas from the big 5 villages need to stop underestimating us."

He made a hand sign, "Since I dared to chase you, it means that the result of this battle will only be your death!"

Tokuhei opened his mouth wide. He spat out rocks and mud from his mouth. Soon, a small, 5-meter radius island formed in the middle of the sea.

Juichi was surprised at Tokuhei's skill! He thought, 'He is very good. No wonder Mitsuzuka asked us to not fight against him on land!'

Tokuhei made a few more hand signs.

'Earth Release : Rock Dragon jutsu'

He spat out a 20-meter-long Rock Dragon!

Juichi was surprised once again. He quickly moved backwards and made a few hand signs.

'Water Release: Water Bullet jutsu!'

He spat a few dozen water bullets at Tokuhei and the Rock Dragon. But the Rock Dragon moved and got in front of Tokuhei. All the Water bullets hit the Rock dragon. But, apart from a few scratches, no damage was done.

Juichi swallowed his saliva, 'Such strong defense!'

Tokuhei smirked on seeing Juichi's reaction. He controlled the Rock Dragon to move towards Juichi. Juichi instantly dived underwater. Tokuhei jumped on his dragon and followed him.

Inside the water, Tokuhei again made a few hand signs. The Rock Dragon opened its mouth and spat multiple mud bullets at Juichi. Juichi was surprised, but he dodged them all.

Juichi made a few hand signs while running.

'Water Release: Water Dragon jutsu'

A water dragon formed and moved towards Tokuhei. The Rock and Water dragons clashed. The Rock Dragon just moved through the Water Dragon, completely crushing it. Juichi was dumbfounded!

He screamed internally, 'What the hell is this thing made of?'

This matchup was very unfair for Juichi. The Earth element is strong against the Water element. Of course, Juichi himself isn't strong enough. Unlike Renjiro and Mitsuzuka, he couldn't make his Water Dragon explode on contact. So the damage output of his jutsu was quite low.

Juichi was very annoyed by the battle so far. He immediately made a few hand signs.

'Water Release: Water Clone jutsu'

Four water clones appeared around him. They immediately dispersed and surrounded Tokuhei. Juichi made more hand signs.

'Water Release : Great Current jutsu'

A water current formed in front of Juichi. It engulfed Tokuhei and his Rock Dragon. They began getting dragged backwards along the water current. Tokuhei exerted more chakra on his Rock Dragon to get out of this current.

This provided an opening for Juichi's clones. They immediately used Water Bullet jutsu on Tokuhei. Each clone shot a dozen bullets. Despite the strong water current around Tokuhei, each bullet hit its target!

Tokuhei saw the incoming attack and made a hand sign.

'Earth Release: Iron Skin jutsu'

All 48 water bullets hit him. However, he didn't suffer any damage at all! Juichi and his clones were

speechless!

Juichi's eyes went red in anger. He screamed in his mind, 'You know what, Screw you!'

He made eye contact with his water clones. His water clones moved and made hand signs.

'Water Release: Great Current Jutsu'

All four water clones poured all their chakra into the jutsu. They created four more water currents. And each of these water currents joined up with the current created by Juichi. It was like tributaries joining up with the main river.

As a result, the force of the water current increased exponentially! Tokuhei tried his best to break out of this water current but to no avail. Both Tokuhei and his Rock Dragon were washed away for a couple of kilometers!

Juichi watched Tokuhei getting washed away. He thought, 'That wouldn't be enough to kill him. But screw him! I don't want to fight that turtle!'

He created four water clones. One clone ran towards Tokuhei. One stayed where he was. Juichi and the remaining two clones ran in different directions.

Tokuhei was livid at getting washed away in this manner. The strong current also damaged his Rock Dragon to a certain extent. Its Rocky scales had been crushed and there were cracks all through its body. Tokuhei decided to dump it and moved forward at full speed.

A few kilometers from where Tokuhei and Juichi clashed, another clash took place. Renjiro's clone had caught up with Fumimaro. Renjiro had put around 25% of his chakra in this shadow clone.

No words were exchanged between them. They directly attacked each other. Knowing that his opponent was just a clone, Fumimaro began attacking with low-power but large-scale water jutsus.

Renjiro's clone knew that defeating a jounin with just a clone would be close to impossible. He stayed on defense. After all, he only needed to stall his opponent until his main body was done with his fight.

Unfortunately for Renjiro's clone, he didn't have enough information regarding Fumimaro.

While Renjiro's clone kept his distance from Fumimaro, Fumimaro too didn't try to close the distance between them and instead stayed far away.

He just used a combination of Water bullet, Exploding Water Colliding Wave, Water Dragon and Water Gun jutsus. Renjiro's clone managed to block everything perfectly with Water Wall and Water Prison jutsus.

After fighting for 4 minutes, Fumimaro made a hand sign.

'Hidden Mist Jutsu'

Renjiro's clone frowned as the mist began forming. This jutsu was very good for running away. He immediately made a few hand signs.

'Wind Release: Great Breakthrough jutsu'

The jutsu immediately dispersed all the mist. However, Fumimaro secretly smirked. While the Winds were travelling away from Renjiro's clone due to the Great Breakthrough jutsu, one small wind travelled across the flow towards Renjiro's clone.

Renjiro's clone felt that something was off, but he couldn't understand what. He focused chakra into his eyes. They began glowing. He was surprised. A Wind clone was disguised as the wind itself and travelling towards him.

Seeing that he was noticed, Fumimaro's Wind clone appeared in front of him. He was only 10 meters away from Renjiro's clone. Immediately, a Water Wall began appearing in front of Renjiro's clone. However, it was too late.

Fumimaro's Wind clone exploded. The winds sent by the explosion pierced through the thin water wall. Renjiro's clone flickered, but he still got hit. A small cut appeared on his face.

He looked at Fumimaro and said, "I underestimated you..." and got dispelled into smoke.

Fumimaro looked at the spot where Renjiro's clone was. He thought, 'Shadow clones are known to transmit memory. If he defeats Mitsuzuka, he will come after me.'

He created a few water clones and they all dispersed in different directions. As he left, Fumimaro thought, 'It was a mistake to come here. I had advised Mitsuzuka to not create any chaos. Unfortunately, he enjoys killing and torturing just as much as swearing.

Even if Mitsuzuka survives, I shouldn't go back with him. He will just attract another calamity. But where to go without him? If I stay in the vicinity of Hidden Mist, I will attract those dogs of Mizukage. I can't join the rebel faction either due to how many of them I killed.'

He thought for a bit, 'The best place to go would be to a country that doesn't border any of the big 5 countries. Unfortunately, such a country doesn't exist... I guess I will move to the distant Land of Snow. Perhaps there I could find clues on how to fuse my Wind and Water elements into the Ice element.'

With no one pursuing him, Fumimaro quickly escaped from the battlefield. Since he ran on water, there wasn't any trail left behind.

Renjiro, who was assaulting Mitsuzuka along with his summons and clones, got the memories of his defeated clone. He was surprised, 'I had heard about him. But there was no intel on his Wind nature capabilities. He hid it deep!'

However, he ignored it and focused on Mitsuzuka. Both Renjiro and Mitsuzuka had returned to the surface of the sea. Mitsuzuka's state was terrible! His clones had all been defeated. There were a lot of

small injuries on his body. There were 9 huge claw marks on his body. And his left arm was missing from the elbow!

Knowing that his death was imminent, he shouted, "RENJIRO! Let me go! Or I'll haunt you even after I become a fucking ghost!"

Renjiro was surprised by this threat. He thought, 'Well, that's a new one.'

Mitsuzuka's expression was full of anger. However, he was thinking, 'Damn it! How do I distract him for a moment to get away? Even something crazy like that doesn't make him even blink an eye! Am I going to fucking die here?'

Mitsuzuka was on his last legs. Renjiro's clones launched a fresh assault. Mitsuzuka dodged desperately. However, after such a long fight, he finally gave an opening to Renjiro.

Renjiro immediately flickered behind him and swung his sword at his neck. Mitsuzuka noticed and ducked down as quickly as he could. The sword barely missed him and only cut his hair. Renjiro followed with a kick.

Mitsuzuka noticed it as well and tried to move ahead to avoid getting hit. However, it resulted in his ass getting kicked and he was launched up into the air. Unfortunately for Mitsuzuka, Renjiro's kick was a part of the Senju Taijutsu style.

His kick was infused with a lot of chakra. Mitsuzuka's entire skeleton was shaken due to that kick! Many organs began bleeding internally. His Sitz bones were cracked.

Seeing him in the air, Renjiro's clones immediately attacked him with Water Bullet jutsu. Surprisingly, even in this terrible shape, Mitsuzuka made a hand sign with his remaining hand.

Water Walls rose around him. The water walls were too weak to block the water bullets. However, they managed to divert the direction of the water bullets slightly. Not a single water bullet hit him!

Renjiro watched with praise in his eyes. He thought, 'This is a real Jounin! Unfortunately, this is the end for him.'

Renjiro didn't attack anymore. Mitsuzuka started falling. He was falling straight where the Sloth was! The Sloth swung its huge claw down at Mitsuzuka. Mitsuzuka noticed it, but he had no way to move out of the way. He grabbed a kunai and raised it to block the beast.

However, the Sloth didn't even feel the kunai. Its claw hit Mitsuzuka's head and cracked it open! He became the fourth Jounin from Kiri to fall to Renjiro and his students in the span of four days!

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Chapter 136: The Sea is Vast

Tokuhei chased rapidly after Juichi. After travelling a bit, he encountered Juichi's clone. He immediately recognized that it was a clone.

He wanted to ignore it and move around, but the clone attacked him. After a small clash, Tokuhei managed to injure the clone and dispel it.

After reaching the place where he fought with Juichi, he found another clone. Not seeing Juichi anywhere, Tokuhei decided to take his anger out on the clone.

The water clone saw Tokuhei and immediately attacked with Water bullets. Tokuhei made a few hand signs.

'Earth Release: Mud Wall jutsu'

He spat out a mud wall in front of him to block the attack.

The Mud wall blocked all the water bullets. Tokuhei made a few more hand signs and slammed his right palm on the mud wall. The mud wall immediately began shooting out mud shurikens at the water clone.

However, the clone managed to dodge everything. The speed of the mud shurikens was slower due to the drag inside the water.

The two exchanged more attacks. As they kept fighting, Tokuhei's mood kept getting worse. Though the clone didn't manage to land any hits on him, the fact that he couldn't defeat the clone of a not-so-famous Jounin for so long hurt his pride!

After a couple of minutes, the clone's chakra was almost exhausted.

It stopped attacking and said, "There is no need to fight anymore."

Tokuhei stopped, but his face was ugly!

The clone smirked on seeing his expression. He said, "My main body has already escaped far away. You will never be able to catch him. I can tell you that my main body has no intention of returning to the Land of Hot Water. However, if you keep hunting me persistently, I will give up on a peaceful life and go back to the Land of Hot Water occasionally to kill your civilians. Convey this message to your Daimyo."

Tokuhei's face was ugly. However, he didn't reply. There was no point in talking with a Water clone. After all, the message wouldn't travel to the main body. Seeing his ugly face, the water clone laughed.

His body began dispersing. Hearing his laughter finally pushed Tokuhei off the edge. He moved forward. A Mud spear formed in his right hand. It solidified instantly and he threw it at the clone. He thought, 'At the very least, I will dispel this clone!'

Juichi's clone smiled and made a hand sign. His water body's shape began deforming. The mud spear passed through its body without harming it. The clone's body transformed into a water blade that slashed at Tokuhei's face.

At such a close distance, Tokuhei had no time to harden his skin. He immediately tried moving out of the way. The Water blade hit his right cheek and left a cut on it.

The cut wasn't serious. However, it was a big slap to his face. It was a big blow to his pride. After such a pitiful performance, with what face could he ask the Daimyo for more funds?

Not wanting to give up like that, he tried searching for Juichi fruitlessly!

After killing Mitsuzuka, Renjiro stored his body and left for where Fumimaro and his clone had clashed to check if any trails were available.

Meanwhile, Fujin, Mieko and Hoka tried to search for others. Renjiro's clone followed them silently. After searching for some time, Hoka finally saw Shusaku fighting against an enemy.

Not having any way to sneak attack in the middle of the sea, they decided to attack from the front. They immediately flickered towards them.

Shusaku and Saga Shoraku were equally matched against each other. Both had water affinity. They had just clashed with each other and were separated by a few meters when the trio flickered in and attacked without warning.

Fujin was the first one to attack. He attacked from a distance with the Air Bullet jutsu. Hoka followed up with a Vacuum palm.

Shoraku had just noticed the trio when the attack arrived. He hurriedly made hand signs for Water Wall jutsu and tried getting out of the way.

Fujin's air bullets pierced through the water wall with ease. Many of them hit Shoraku. But none hit him in a critical area. However, he was hurt and bleeding.

The pain diverted his attention and he couldn't avoid Hoka's attack. Hoka's attack hit his heart and made him cough blood.

Mieko didn't do a ranged attack and instead sped up towards him. She flickered in front of Shoraku right after Hoka's attack hit him and slit his throat.

Shusaku was dumbfounded. The opponent that he was struggling with was killed so easily by the three kids he doubted!

Fujin looked at the stunned Shusaku and asked, "Are you aware of where your fellow ninjas are?"

Shusaku shook his head, "No. But what happened to your opponents?"

Mieko replied haughtily, "They are dead obviously."

Unlike Fujin, Mieko took pleasure from Shusaku's stunned face. She was aware that the Yugakure ninjas underestimated them. Replying in this way felt satisfying.

Fujin sighed and said, "We will have to search for them in the open seas. It's so tedious!"

Mieko and Hoka nodded. While the open seas didn't have any obstacles, it was way too big. Even with the huge range of Hoka's sight and Fujin's chakra field, it was difficult to find them.

Mieko said, "Let's go look for someone else too."

Fujin nodded, "Yeah, let's move."

The trio were about to move, when Shusaku asked with an embarrassed expression, "Can I come with you as well?"

Fujin looked at Hoka and Mieko. Both their faces showed that they didn't want him. He chuckled internally.

Fujin answered, "No. We have never worked with you before. So our teamwork will be affected. It'll be better if we search in opposite directions. That would double our chances of finding someone and helping them."

Fujin, Mieko and Hoka flickered without waiting for Shusaku's reply. Renjiro's clone, who was keeping a watch from afar, chuckled and followed them. Shusaku never sensed Renjiro's clone.

Shusaku watched the trio with a dumbfounded expression. He thought, 'This is the first time I have felt 3 kids looking at me as if I was useless. The kids in my village look up to me! Besides, how can my scouting skills compare to that of a Hyuga?'

He shook his head and stored the body of the dead rogue ninja and went in the opposite direction.

The trio continued searching for around 10 minutes but didn't find anyone.

Mieko complained, "What the hell? How long are we going to search in these open seas? There is no one here!"

Hoka nodded.

Fujin thought for a bit. He made a hand sign.

'Shadow Clone jutsu'

He used Shadow clone jutsu multiple times until he made 6 clones. The clones immediately dispersed in different directions with their chakra field activated. Mieko and Hoka noticed that.

Hoka said, "That's smart Fujin!"

Mieko asked in an annoying tone, "Why didn't you use this tactic earlier?"

Fujin shrugged his hands and answered, "Experienced ninjas are able to know when they are being sensed. Especially if they are sensors. If they notice my clones, they will just run away. And with us being far away from our clones, the enemy will run away by the time we reach there."

Mieko understood Fujin's reasoning. She said, "That makes sense."

The trio waited at their spot. After a few minutes, one clone dispelled itself. Fujin received his memories. He said, "One of my clones found two Yugakure ninjas. They are carrying the dead body of the enemy they chased."

Hoka sighed, "Well, that's useless for us."

Fujin nodded. He created another Shadow clone which replaced the one who dispelled.

Fujin's clones searched for half an hour without any success. With their chakra dropping low, all dispelled themselves.

Fujin received their memories and said, "It's hopeless. They didn't find anyone!"

He looked back and said, "Not even your main body Sensei."

Renjiro's clone appeared behind them and said, "It means that they are fighting too far into the sea. Leave it, there is no point in trying to find others anymore. Let's return to the beach and meet up with my other clone."

The trio sighed and followed him. After a few minutes, they returned to the beach and met up with the clone of Renjiro who was looking after the two captured enemies. The other clone had dispelled himself to send memories to Renjiro.

After meeting up, Renjiro's clone that was following his students also dispelled himself. Renjiro, who was a long way into the sea, received the memories of his clone. He thought, 'Of the 9 we chased, 5 chunins and their leader are confirmed dead. Fumimaro escaped. And we don't know the status of the other two.'

He sighed, 'I guess this will be the extent of completing this mission. It's difficult to kill every one of them. Especially the Jounins.'

Knowing that the search for Fumimaro was pointless, Renjiro decided to return to the beach.

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Chapter 137: Learning Sage Mode

Senju Renjiro returned to the beach. He found his clone, students and 5 Yugakure chunins waiting there. Shunso had joined the 3 Yugakure chunins along with their sleeping teammate. They had set up a couple of tents. Renjiro entered the tent of his students. He informed his students of how his fight went and they decided to wait for others to return,

Late in the afternoon, Tokuhei and the remaining two chunins returned to the beach. Renjiro asked, "What's the status of your opponents?"

Tokuhei replied, "Mine managed to run away."

The chunins replied, "Our opponent ran away as well. We tried searching, but couldn't find anyone."

Renjiro nodded and said, "From 13 chunins and 3 Jounins, only 2 Jounins and 1 chunin are left. And we suffered no casualties. The mission can be considered a success. The ones who escaped will not dare to return here again. And once the news spreads, other rogue ninjas also won't dare to create chaos in the Land of Hot Water."

Tokuhei asked, "Which other jounin managed to escape?"

Renjiro answered, "I killed Mitsuzuka. Fumimaro managed to injure my clone and escaped."

Tokuhei breathed a sigh of relief. He said, "Good. As long as Mitsuzuka is dead, this mission can be considered a success."

Renjiro nodded and handed him a scroll. He said, "His body is inside it."

Tokuhei accepted the scroll. Renjiro looked at Fujin and said, "Give him the body of the ninja you killed as well."

Fujin nodded and handed the scroll to Tokuhei.

Tokuhei chatted more about the mission. He talked with his subordinates as well to understand everything that took place.

With the mission over, Team Renjiro returned to Konoha. Renjiro said, "I'll report the mission's success to Lord Hokage. You guys can leave."

Everyone nodded and left.

Fujin was considering what his future actions should be while heading home. As he was walking in his thoughts, he saw something in the corner of his eye. He turned his head to the right to see a man with long white hair peeking in through a hole. He looked up to see what the man was peeking into. Fujin's eyes twitched as he read the sign. It read 'Konoha Hot Springs'.

The man was peeking into the Women's section of the bath.

Fujin's eyes glowed as he observed the man. His chakra was humongous! He sighed as he thought, 'Pervy Sage... What an appropriate name. A shame that he won't get that name for a few more years. Still, I wonder what he's doing here. Did he come back to report something to Hiruzen? Or did Hiruzen call him back due to the threat of the coup? His presence could make the Uchihas more cautious.'

Jiraiya sensed someone looking at him and turned around. He saw an eleven-year-old boy staring at him with glowing eyes. He thought, 'What does this kid want? I hope he doesn't interfere in my research.'

He was about to continue peeking when the boy's chakra suddenly spiked. He began making hand signs rapidly. Jiraiya panicked, 'What the hell? Since when did young brats begin having Jounin-level chakra? And why the hell is he making hand signs for the Air Bullet jutsu? Does he want to destroy the bath house?'

Jiraiya immediately flickered and appeared next to Fujin and grabbed his hands. He asked, "Calm down kiddo. What are you doing?"

Fujin looked into his eyes and said, "Grandpa said that all perverts must be caught, castrated and tied to a pole to be whipped publicly to death."

Jiraiya's eyes twitched. He asked, "Which crazy old man is your grandpa?"

Fujin replied, "Lord Third. Now let my hands go and accept your punishment."

Jiraiya's eyes twitched once again. He complained in his mind, 'How many young kids is that old man going to fool into calling him grandpa? And since when did he become so righteous? No, this doesn't sound like him at all. He is as perverted as me!'

Jiraiya let his hands go and said, "That old man is my sensei. So stop building your chakra up."

Fujin looked back with deadpan eyes and said, "His students are the Legendary Sannins, not Legendary Perverts."

Jiraiya laughed, "Legendary Perverts? Hahahaha!"

He looked at Fujin and said, "You are lucky that you met Jiraiya the Gallant and not the other two Sannins."

Fujin thought in his mind, 'No shit. One is a pedo researcher and the other is a drunk hulk.'

Fujin looked at Jiraiya with surprise on his face. He said, "Are you really..."

Jiraiya smirked and said, "That's right. You are looking at the one and only."

Jiraiya slammed his hand on the ground. A lot of smoke appeared and from the smoke, a toad appeared. Jiraiya jumped on the toad and moved as if he was dancing. He swirled his hair and head in a manner that he thought was cool.

"I am the hermit of Mount Myoboku. The Wise and Immortal Spirit. That's right! It's I, the Toad Sage, Jiraiya of the Legendary Sannins!"

A look of awe appeared on Fujin's face. He said, "That's cool! But gramps said that even if his students were perverts, he would still chase them down with a stick in his hand!"

Hearing that, Jiraiya's leg slipped and he fell on the toad. He thought, 'The first half doesn't sound like the old man at all! But him chasing with a stick totally sounds like him!'

Jiraiya looked at Fujin and said, "What do you want, kid? You are interrupting my research."

Fujin said, "If you don't want me to tell grandpa about your perverted acts, then you need to teach me what I want."

Jiraiya was amused by Fujin. He asked, "Oh, and what do you want to learn?"

An innocent smile formed on Fujin's face. He said, "Sage Mode."

Fujin's reply shocked Jiraiya. His mouth fell open in disbelief as he heard what Fujin wanted. He forgot to swallow, and the resulting coughs rattled through his chest like a storm, leaving him gasping for air.

He took deep breaths and said, "Kid, go bother someone else. I have no time for you!"

Fujin squinted his eyes and said, "You have to, or I will never let you do your research."

Jiraiya looked skeptically at Fujin and said, "Good luck catching me kiddo."

He made a hand seal and both he and the toad disappeared into the smoke.

Some distance away, Jiraiya appeared. He muttered, "What an annoying brat."

At that instant, he saw a gorgeous lady walking next to him. His eyes immediately landed on her and a lecherous smile appeared on his face.

However, he suddenly heard, "Stop perving around and teach me, old man!"

Fujin's voice wasn't soft. Everyone in the street heard him. Everyone began looking at Jiraiya with disgust. Jiraiya turned around to see Fujin standing behind him! His eyes widened. He asked, "How did you follow me?"

A smirk appeared on Fujin's face as he said, "I have been taught by gramps. Do you think you can get away so easily?"

Jiraiya grabbed a smoke bomb and threw it on the ground and said, "Try following me now!"

Jiraiya appeared under a tree and said, "Finally got rid of the boy!"

However, he heard, "You didn't."

Jiraiya looked up to see Fujin standing on a branch of that tree. Jiraiya disappeared once again! Fujin followed him.

Both appeared in various locations in the village. Fujin tracked down Jiraiya every time. Jiraiya was annoyed, 'Not only does he have a high chakra, but he is also a sensor and can flicker seamlessly! So annoying!'

Realizing that he wouldn't be able to get rid of Fujin, he transformed into a toy bear. Fuji. A few seconds later, Fujin appeared at that location. He looked at the Toy bear and frowned. He muttered softly, "That old pervert ran away! Shit, grandpa will be disappointed with me!"

Jiraiya laughed in his mind as he saw anger and disappointment appear on Fujin's face. However, soon he was terrified! Chakra gathered on Fujin's fist as he punched at the bear with full power.

Jiraiya immediately undid the transformation and moved out of the way. The punch hit the ground and left a massive hole in it! Cracks spread in the ground around it. Jiraiya's eyes widened as he saw how dangerous the punch was, 'What the fuck? Did Tsunade teach him?'

Fujin looked at Jiraiya and completely ignored the damage he had caused. He said with an innocent smile, "Oh, you are still here. I thought I lost you."

Jiraiya complained in his mind, 'Shit, this brat is worse than Orochimaru and Tsunade combined!'

He asked, "Why do you want to learn Sage Mode?"

Fujin said, "Well, I asked grandpa to teach me Sage Mode. But he said that only you know it. So he taught me Wind Vacuum Technique instead. So I want to learn Sage mode from you."

Jiraiya watched with a deadpan expression, 'You didn't answer my question. Wait, those sentences aren't even in sync with each other!'

Jiraiya sighed and said, "I can't teach you Sage Mode either. I was taught by the toads and they won't teach anyone else."

Fujin expected such a reply. He quickly said, "That's fine. You can tell me how to learn Sage mode and monitor me. I'll learn it on my own."

A frown formed on Jiraiya's face. He said, "Sage mode is very risky to learn."

However, Fujin was adamant and kept asking him. Finally, Jiraiya gave up and agreed.

Both flickered to the Training ground. Fujin sat in a meditative position.

Jiraiya said, "Try to feel natural energy around you. And absorb it and mix it with your own chakra. Once you manage to do it, I'll tell you the ratios."

Fujin nodded and began sensing. However, without any help, he had no success. Jiraiya saw Fujin try unsuccessfully and smirked, 'Suzuki Fujin. Sensei told me information about him. Orphan, hardworking, extremely talented with the sword and wind release and has very high chakra for his age. Unfortunately, it looks like he has allowed himself to be very arrogant! This should make him more humble.'

Fujin spent 6 hours trying to sense sage chakra without any success. Finally, he sighed and asked Jiraiya, "Could you give me some tips?"

Jiraiya said, "I already gave you all."

Fujin said, "Can you tell me anything else? Like how do you feel when you absorb natural chakra or anything else that could help me?"

Jiraiya thought for a bit and said, "Now that you say, I do feel a tingling sensation in my back whenever I activate Sage Mode."

Fujin asked, "Tingling sensation?"

Jiraiya turned around and pointed at the center of his back. He said, "Over here. I concentrate my chakra and get a tingling feeling here while activating sage mode."

Fujin was lost in his thoughts on hearing that, 'Tingling feeling... Tingling feeling... Tingling feeling...

It feels like I have forgotten something... something important...'

He sat in the meditative position once again and concentrated his energy on his back. Soon, he began feeling a tingling sensation on his back. He kept meditating and sending more chakra there.

Jiraiya watched Fujin with curiosity. But soon, his curiosity turned into shock! His mind couldn't form words as he sensed Fujin's chakra skyrocket!

Finally, he gathered himself, 'What the fuck is happening? How can a human have so much chakra? It is exceeding Tailed Beast chakra levels! No, it has already exceeded them! Even Nine Tailed Fox doesn't have so much chakra!'

Fujin chakra kept skyrocketing. Soon, a golden aura appeared around him. He gritted his teeth and focused. The aura caused high-speed winds around Fujin. Even Jiraiya had to move backwards. The winds spread throughout Konoha and every sensor looked towards the training ground where Jiraiya and Fujin were. The chakra was so intense that everyone was scared out of their wits.

Suddenly, Fujin yelled loudly! He let out all his energy. The golden aura around him grew. His hair turned golden! He stood up and muttered, "Right, this is what I have forgotten!"

Soon, lightning began appearing on his body. He said, "It's a good thing that I learnt lightning release."

As soon as Lightning appeared on his body, his energy once again Skyrocketed! It increased by more than 10 times! His chakra spread throughout the universe.

A long long distance away from Earth, there was a settlement in space. This area was ruled by a strong clan. The members of this clan were all very pale and had white eyes. Some of them had a 3rd eye on their forehead. In this clan, an old man opened his eyes and looked in the direction of the earth. A serious look could be seen on his face. He was stunned, "What energy! This doesn't feel like anyone from my Otsutsuki clan! Who unlocked such a huge power?"

Fujin looked at Jiraiya and said, "You can increase the length of your hair, right? Can you show me how it's done?"

Jiraiya was scared shitless by Fujin's aura. He nodded and made hand signs and increased the length of his hair.

Fujin watched carefully and replicated his jutsu without making any hand signs. His hair began growing. They grew up to his waist. And his eyebrows disappeared. He said, "This is the power I want!"

His chakra grew many folds once again. He looked up in space and could sense every being in the huge space in the territory controlled by Otsutsuki!

The leader of the Otsutsuki clan, who was wondering who could have such power, suddenly shivered as he felt Fujin sensing his location.

A grin formed on Fujin's face as he said, "I will be the God of this world! No one can stop me!"

He began laughing like a maniac, "Zehahahahahaha"

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Chapter 138: Concluding the Mission

Senju Renjiro returned to the beach. He found his clone, students and 5 Yugakure chunins waiting there. Shunso had joined the 3 Yugakure chunins along with their sleeping teammate. They had set up a couple of tents.

Renjiro entered the tent of his students. Fujin had sensed Renjiro when he arrived close to the beach. All three students greeted him.

Meiko asked, "What's the status of the mission Sensei?"

Renjiro's clone dispelled itself to transmit all the memories back to his main body.

Renjiro answered, "Their leader Mitsuzuka is dead. The other Jounin that my clone chased managed to escape."

The trio were surprised. This was the first time they heard someone escaping from Renjiro.

Renjiro looked at their expression and shrugged his hands and said, "It was a clone. It's difficult to stop a Jounin with just a clone."

The trio looked away awkwardly. Their expectations from Renjiro were too high! Fujin asked, "What about the ones who didn't return Sensei? We searched for them a lot, but didn't find them!" Renjiro answered, "There are two possibilities. The first possibility is that they are dead, with their bodies at the bottom of the seafloor or taken away by the enemies. Or the second possibility of them failing their mission and trying to search for the enemy fruitlessly." The trio nodded. They had reached the same conclusion. Renjiro continued, "Let's wait here till the evening. If they are alive, they will return when their chakra drops low." The trio nodded. The tent became silent. They didn't have anything to do but wait. After some time, Fujin said, "I am bored of eating Ration bars. You guys wanna hunt fish?" Hoka and Mieko immediately agreed! Hoka said, "Definitely!" Mieko said, "Let's go." All three flickered out of the tent leaving Renjiro alone. Renjiro sighed and muttered, "Oh well. This mission is pretty much over. No harm in having some fun."

Before diving into the water, Mieko announced, "The one who catches the biggest fish is the winner! The time limit is 10 minutes."

She dived into the sea without waiting for the response of her teammates. Hoka and Fujin chuckled and dived into the water as well.

Mieko activated her Sharingan to watch properly underwater. Hoka activated his Byakugan. He had the advantage in this competition. Fujin spread his chakra field to pick up on signs of fish. They dispersed in different directions.

The Yugakure ninjas noticed them diving into the sea in a hurry. Shunso wondered, "Did they find an enemy?"

He immediately alerted others and they prepared themselves for a fight.

The trio searched under the sea. Hoka was the first one to find prey. He saw a big Whale Shark. He ran towards it quickly. The Whale shark noticed something coming towards it and sensed the danger. It immediately charged towards Hoka to tackle and bite him. However, Hoka moved out of the way and hit it with the Gentle fist style. A single hit killed the shark.

Fujin was the next one to find his target. He found a giant crab. He thought, 'Damn, do crabs in this world become so freaking huge? Umm... on second thoughts, there are gigantic toads. So this shouldn't be strange I guess.'

The crab noticed Fujin and attacked him with its giant claws. Fujin dodged and gathered chakra on his fist. He punched between its eyes. The punch caused cracks to appear on its shell. Its brain was smashed due to the punch. It died. Fujin lifted the crab and began making his way back.

Mieko saw quite a few giant fishes. But she wasn't satisfied. When the time began to run out, her eyes laid upon an 8-meter-long bluefin tuna. She immediately went towards it and killed it. She carried it back.

Hoka was the first one to return to the coast. Behind him, he dragged a 12-meter-long Whale Shark. The Yugakure ninjas watched with wide eyes. One of them cursed, "Those brats went fishing! We don't know where our teammates are and they are enjoying themselves!"

Shunso calmed him, "Calm down. They have done more than enough for the mission. No point in getting angry with them."

The guy snorted and stayed quiet.

Soon, Fujin returned. He walked on the surface of the sea with his right arm stretched up. He was carrying the giant crab on his right hand. He walked next to Hoka's shark and dropped his crab there.

Hoka quickly observed and smirked. He claimed, "My shark is 12 meters long. Your crab is only 10 meters in height. I won!"

Fujin's eyes twitched. He countered, "Look at their sizes. Your shark is only 2 meters wide. My crab is 8 meters wide. So mine is much bigger than yours!"

Hoka was about to argue when Mieko returned. She was carrying an 8-meter-long blue tuna fish. She saw Fujin's crab and Hoka's whale shark and her face became upset.

Hoka chuckled, "Well, we know who the loser is."

Fujin nodded. Mieko's Tuna was the shortest and the thinnest among the three.

Mieko snorted in displeasure.

Hoka asked, "Mieko, judge whether Fujin's crab or my shark is bigger!"

Mieko was upset at losing. She turned her head away and snorted, "I don't care which fish is bigger. Why are you arguing like little kids?"

Fujin and Hoka gave her deadpanned looks. Hearing the commotion, Renjiro left the tent. Hoka looked at him and said, "Sensei, you be the judge. Is my shark or Fujin's crab bigger?"

Renjiro's eyes twitched. He thought, 'Why are they being so childish?"

He looked at Mieko who was looking away from them and had the smallest fish and realized, 'Looks like it was her idea.'

Hoka pressed Renjiro, "Come on Sensei! Tell me that my fish is bigger!"

Renjiro replied, "Stop being childish and cook the fish you caught."

Hoka sighed due to not getting any answer. Fujin chuckled at his antics.

The trio decided what fish to eat. After some discussion, they decided to eat the crab as none of them had eaten a giant crab before. The shark and the tuna were stored in special storage scrolls that helped keep food fresh.

Preparing and cooking the crab took quite some time. All four ate it till their stomachs were full. They invited the Yugakure ninjas, but they politely refused the invitation.

Late in the afternoon, Tokuhei and the remaining two chunins returned to the beach. Renjiro asked, "What's the status of your opponents?"

Tokuhei replied, "Mine managed to run away."

The chunins replied, "Our opponent ran away as well. We tried searching, but couldn't find anyone."

Renjiro nodded and said, "From 13 chunins and 3 Jounins, only 2 Jounins and 1 chunin are left. And we suffered no casualties. The mission can be considered a success. The ones who escaped will not dare to return here again. And once the news spreads, other rogue ninjas also won't dare to create chaos in the Land of Hot Water."

Tokuhei asked, "Which other jounin managed to escape?"

Renjiro answered, "I killed Mitsuzuka. Fumimaro managed to injure my clone and escaped."

Tokuhei breathed a sigh of relief. He said, "Good. As long as Mitsuzuka is dead, this mission can be considered a success."

Renjiro nodded and handed him a scroll. He said, "His body is inside it."

Tokuhei accepted the scroll. Renjiro looked at Fujin and said, "Give him the body of the ninja you killed as well."

Fujin nodded and handed the scroll to Tokuhei.

Tokuhei chatted more about the mission. He talked with his subordinates as well to understand everything that took place.

After understanding everything, he walked to Team Renjiro's tent. On entering, he saw the two captured rogue ninjas. He said, "Renjiro, I want to take over these two as well."

Renjiro shook his head and said, "They surrendered to me. I will take them to Konoha and interrogate them properly."

Tokuhei realized why Renjiro was adamant. They could provide Konoha with a lot of important information regarding the current state of affairs in Kirigakure.

However, he insisted, "Renjiro, a lot of innocent civilians were killed by these guys. I can understand your point. However, we have to answer to the citizens of the Land of Hot Water. So allow me to take them back first. Later, we can transport them to the Land of Fire."

Renjiro frowned. He could understand Tokuhei's point of view, but these two could provide Konoha with a lot of information. He thought for a bit and concluded, 'If I stay adamant, I can take these two to Konoha. Tokuhei won't stop me and the Daimyo won't say anything either. But this was a mission issued by the Daimyo. He will be displeased by this action and the goodwill generated by this mission will be lost.'

Renjiro said, "Alright. But, you are not allowed to maim or cripple them. I will report about them to Lord Hokage and he will send a team to retrieve them. Pass this message to your Daimyo."

Tokuhei sighed in relief. He immediately agreed to Renjiro's conditions.

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Tokuhei smiled and said, "The reward for completing the mission should already be handed to Konoha. As for the bounties, Lord Daimyo will send them to Konoha as soon as he can."

Fujin asked, "What bounties?"

Tokuhei replied, "Due to the chaos that this group created, Lord Daimyo had put bounties on their heads. Mitsuzuka had a bounty of 20 million Ryo. Any Jounin in the rogue group had a bounty of 10 million Ryo, while the chunins had a bounty of 2 million each."

He looked at the kids and said, "Fujin, you killed 2 chunins. Mieko and Hoka, you two killed one each. And you three helped Shusaku in killing his opponent. So the reward for that kill would be split among you four."

Fujjn was stunned, 'The hell? 4.5 million Ryo for such an easy job?'

Tokuhei smiled on seeing Fujin's reaction.

Hoka and Mieko didn't react much.

Fujin looked at Renjiro and thought, 'He killed Mitsuzuka. In addition, he killed the 2 gatekeepers and 4 more chunins before the fight began! He'll get a freaking 32 million Ryo!'

Renjiro noticed Fujin's gaze but didn't react. Tokuhei said, "I will lead my team to collect the dead bodies from under the debris."

Renjiro said, "Alright. We will take our leave then."

Tokuhei asked, "You don't want to rest for a bit in the town?"

Renjiro answered, "No, we had some rest. Besides, the borders of the Land of Fire are closer to here than the town."

Tokuhei nodded and said, "Alright. It was good working alongside you."

Renjiro smiled and said, "It was good working alongside you as well."

Tokuhei left. Renjiro looked at his squad and said, "Pack up, we are leaving."

The trio nodded and immediately packed up the tent.

After gathering everything, they left. As they moved through the forest, Fujin asked, "Sensei, do rank A missions pay so much?"

Renjiro replied, "It depends on how critical the mission is for the ones who issue it. This time, the Daimyo was under a lot of public pressure. That is why he issued those bounties."

Fujin nodded. Mieko asked, "Sensei, how difficult are the rank S missions?"

Renjiro answered, "Well, imagine having to do this mission with just a squad of 4 ninjas. So if this wasn't a joint mission, it would have been close to a rank S mission.

Usually, rank S missions aren't labeled as such due to difficulty. Rather, it is the critical nature of the missions. If it is labeled rank S due to difficulty, then our opponent would be an Elite Jounin. Someone who could go up equally against me."

Mieko, Fujin and Hoka paid attention to Renjiro's words. Since this one would probably be their last mission together, they asked Renjiro a lot of questions. Renjiro answered them patiently and resolved their queries.

While they were moving, Fujin occasionally activated his chakra field, while Hoka activated his Byakugan. During one such occasion, Fujin sensed something that shocked him!

Fujin shouted, "Halt! Two huge chakras are incoming. One has slightly lower chakra than sensei. While the other one has more than twice sensei's chakra!"

That shocked them. Hoka immediately activated his Byakugan, while Mieko activated her Sharingan. Renjiro also became serious. He thought, 'My chakra was naturally high due to being a Senju. The ones who had chakra equal to or higher than me are usually S ranked ninjas!'

Renjiro spoke, "Hoka"

Hoka answered, "One is a shinobi from Kumo while the other is from Taki. Both are rogue ninj..."

Suddenly, Hoka stopped speaking. There was a stunned expression on his body. Renjiro asked, "What did you see?"

Hoka answered in a shocked voice, "The one with the higher chakra has a different body... It's disgusting!"

This surprised them. Fujin thought, 'Disgusting body?'

A few faces appeared in his mind.

Around 800 meters from Team Renjiro, two ninjas were travelling at a rapid speed. One of them was 5 feet 6 inches tall and very slim. The other one was over 6 feet tall and had a well-built body.

The slim one asked, "Are you sure that cash cow will be travelling from here?"

The tall guy answered, "My sources are never wrong. Now shut up and keep moving."

Suddenly, both their eyes widened. The slim guy chuckled and said, "Looks like you were right, freak. Let's go quickly."

Both of them sensed Fujin sensing them and moved rapidly towards Team Renjiro.

Team Renjiro waited to see who was approaching them so quickly. Fujin had a very bad feeling. In a few seconds, two silhouettes appeared in front of them.

Fujin watched as his eyes kept widening. They both wore long black cloaks with red clouds, red interiors, and chin-high collars. Fujin didn't recognize one of them. But the other, he recognized very well.

Fujin was scared! No, he was horrified! Only one thought ran through his mind, 'Motherfucking Kakuzu!'

Renjiro looked at them. He didn't recognize Kakuzu but recognized the other one. He was surprised. He said, "Kaminari. I heard that you had disappeared from the Land of Lightning. Didn't know that you became a rogue ninja. Looks like Kumogakure did a good job of hiding your details."

A scowl formed on Kaminari's face. He didn't like anyone recalling his days when he was in Kumogakure.

Though Renjiro spoke casually, he was on full alert to start a fight. Fujin looked at Mieko and made eye contact. Mieko noticed his gaze and understood what he wanted. Meanwhile, Hoka kept observing Kakuzu's body. He was very surprised at seeing the 5 hearts inside Kakuzu's body.

Kakuzu said, "Senju Renjiro. I have heard a lot about your war exploits. Today, I will claim the 45 million Ryo bounty on your head."

Kakuzu wasted no time and moved forward to attack. Kaminari joined him. Renjiro grabbed his sword to confront them. However, Mieko and Fujin were faster.

Mieko made hand signs immediately.

'Fire Release: Great Fireball jutsu'

She released a giant ball of fire.

At the same time, Fujin launched his supercharged jutsu

'Wind Release: Great Breakthrough jutsu'

Both jutsus combined. The Fireball dispersed and spread out throughout the Great Breakthrough jutsu. Kakuzu and Kaminari, who were focused on Renjiro, were surprised. Kakuzu had used such a combination several times in the past. He understood its lethality. So did Kaminari.

Both flickered behind. Kakuzu made a hand sign. An Earth Dome appeared and covered them both.

Renjiro noticed the earth dome and smirked. He made a hand sign and was about to slam his hands on the ground. Mieko and Hoka were prepared to go on the assault too. However, Fujin yelled, "Formation Nine!"

As soon as they heard it, their eyes widened.

Kakuzu and Kaminari were protected by the earth dome. However, soon needles began forming on the inside surface of the dome. Kakuzu noticed them and snorted. He made a hand sign and all the needles crumbled into dust and soil.

They felt that the combination jutsu had already passed and hence lifted the earth dome. But, instead of a clear battlefield, they were met by a 20 feet tall Sloth who attacked them with its giant claws. They

both flickered in opposite directions.

Realizing that Kakuzu would be the bigger threat, he flickered in front of Kakuzu and attacked with his

swords. Kakuzu saw Renjiro and made a hand sign.

'Earth Release: Iron Skin jutsu'

Kakuzu's skin blackened. He raised his fist and blocked Renjiro's sword. Chakra flowed through Renjiro's

sword. It hit the back of Kakuzu's fist. The attack left a small slash on Kakuzu's fist.

Kakuzu was surprised. He said, "It's been a long while since someone could hurt me. I will enjoy killing

vou!"

Renjiro and the Sloth were about to press on the attack, but they suddenly withdrew backwards. Renjiro looked at Kakuzu. It seemed as if there were monsters under his clothes, or perhaps under his skin, that

were trying to break out.

Four black monsters appeared around Kakuzu. Each had a mask of different color on them.

Renjiro, despite all his experience, was stunned. He thought, 'What the hell is this? And who is this guy?

And why was there no mention of such a strong ninja during the previous wars?'

Kakuzu and the 4 monsters attacked Renjiro and his summon with perfect coordination. Renjiro kept his

distance from them and tried his best to defend himself. He often resorted to diving into the ground to

protect himself.

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On the other side of the battlefield, Kaminari was confronted by Fujin, Mieko and Hoka. Fujin flickered in

front of him while making some hand signs.

'Wind Release : Air Bullet jutsu'

Fujin shot a dozen air bullets at him. Lightning sparks appeared on Kaminari's body. His speed increased

a lot and he dodged all air bullets easily.

Mieko and Hoka quickly attacked with shurikens, but Kaminari dodged them as well with ease. Fujin

analyzed, 'There is no lightning armor on him, just sparks. Is this a toned-down version of Raikage's

technique?'

After dodging, Kaminari moved towards the trio. His speed was incredibly fast. Fujin's eyes couldn't

follow him. He instantly blew a Great Breakthrough jutsu in front of him. It didn't matter if he couldn't

see his opponent's exact location. He would just attack the whole area.

Kaminari saw the incoming attack and quickly moved out of range. He tried attacking from a different

direction, but Fujin attacked again with the wide-range Great Breakthrough jutsu. Kaminari tried

attacking from different directions, but Fujin just kept attacking with the Great Breakthrough jutsu.

Kaminari was annoyed, 'This brat keeps trying to keep me at a distance. Does he think that he has

infinite chakra? And that Uchiha girl is staring at me as well. If I try to break through his jutsu head-on,

she will fire a fireball into this wind jutsu.'

Kaminari made a few hand signs.

'Lightning Release: False Darkness'

Multiple spears of Lightning formed and moved towards Fujin's group.

Fujin sensed Kaminari building his chakra and made a few hand signs. Seeing the Lightning jutsu, Fujin

launched his jutsu.

'Wind Release: Infinite Breakthrough jutsu'

Both jutsus clashed. Fujin observed carefully. He thought, 'Isn't this the same jutsu that Kakuzu used later? Did Kakuzu take his heart?'

Fujin's jutsu broke through the lightning spears and moved towards Kaminari. However, Kaminari had already launched another jutsu.

'Fire Release: Blast Wave Wild Dance'

Kaminari expelled a large stream of Fire which moved in a spiral manner. It clashed with Fujin's jutsu. Kaminari smirked as he watched, 'My False Darkness was stronger than his jutsu. However, the wind release has too much of an advantage against Lightning. But, False Darkness reduced the momentum of his jutsu. And now, my Blase wave will be assisted by his jutsu!'

As Kaminari had calculated, his Blaze Wave entered the Infinite Breakthrough jutsu and spread throughout it. Fujin thought, 'Damn, he is good!'

Hoka moved forward and slammed his hands on the ground.

'Earth Release: Earth Wall jutsu'

A huge wall appeared between them and the flames. He made another hand sign and slammed his hands on the ground again.

'Earth Release: Earth Dome jutsu'

A dome was formed that covered all three of them.

The fire covered a large area. It flowed over the wall and heated the outside of the dome. Trees were set on fire for hundreds of meters. The jutsu even reached Renjiro and Kakuzu's location. Both immediately escaped into the ground. Renjiro's Sloth summon had already been injured by Kakuzu and it had returned back.

After a minute, the fire died down. Renjiro and Kakuzu had begun fighting underground.

Kaminari quickly moved across the battlefield. He stood on top of the earth wall and noticed the dome below. Fujin noticed his chakra and made a few hand signs.

Lightning sparks began appearing on Kaminari's body. He jumped down at the dome.

'Lightning Release : Lightning Spear jutsu'

A spear made of lightning appeared in his hands. He threw it at the dome.

It hit the dome and pierced through it. However, right when the tip of the lightning spear appeared inside the dome, Fujin used his jutsu.

'Wind Release: Vacuum Bullet jutsu'

The vacuum bullet hit the lightning spear's tip. It pierced through the entire length of the lightning spear and completely dispersed it. Without slowing down, it targeted Kaminari who was falling down towards the dome.

Kaminari's pupils shrank seeing the Vacuum bullet. The jutsu was aimed at his face. He quickly moved his head to the side. The Vacuum bullet left a cut on his right cheek before hitting his right earlobe.

Kaminari shrieked in pain as his right earlobe was pierced and the bottom half of his right ear was blown away. Fujin heard his shriek and followed it up with another Vacuum bullet. The Vacuum bullet pierced through the earth dome and targeted Kaminari. But Kaminari managed to dodge properly this time.

Kaminari thought, 'Fucking hell! Why the fuck does someone so young know the Wind Vacuum technique?'

He was mad in rage.

Not giving him any time, Hoka placed his hands on the earth dome. The outer surface of the dome transformed into spikes and they immediately launched at Kaminari.

Understanding that he was at a disadvantage, he retreated a hundred meters backwards. With the dome gone, Fujin, Mieko and Hoka looked at Kaminari. His face was ugly and full of rage.

Kaminari was very angry. He thought, 'How many bastards does Konoha raise? That wind brat is already one of the top wind users I have seen. And that Hyuga scum can use Earth Release as well as any Jounin level ninja from Iwa! And they don't even look like they're in their teens!'

Kaminari made a hand sign.

'Lightning Release: Lightning Clone jutsu'

Two Lightning clones appeared around him.

They immediately went on assault. All moved around at a rapid speed! Fujin once again attacked them head-on with a Great Breakthrough jutsu. However, all three moved out of the way. Kaminari attacked the trio from the back, while his clones attacked from left and right. They were so fast that they attacked when Fujin was still releasing the jutsu.

Both Hoka and Mieko made hand signs and slammed their hands on the ground with perfect coordination.

'Earth Release: Topsy Turvy jutsu'

The ground in front of the Kaminari and his clones immediately became uneven. Some parts of the ground went up a few inches, while some other parts went down a few inches. The aim of this jutsu was to make the attackers lose their footing and fall down.

Kaminari and his clones noticed them and immediately slowed down. The slowdown was enough for Fujin to turn around and launch another Great Breakthrough jutsu at Kaminari.

Hoka and Mieko also made hand signs.
'Water Release : Water Gun jutsu'
'Fire Release : Flame Bullet jutsu'
They both launched jutsus on the clones.
Kaminari and his clones had to retreat once again.
While Kaminari was retreating, the trio were attacked from the other side. Kakuzu's fire mask had been useless against Renjiro. So he sent it to help out Kaminari.
It released a huge flame at the trio. Hoka made a hand sign and released Water Gun jutsu to intercept it. While Mieko slammed her hands on the ground and raised an earth wall to protect them. They managed to defend perfectly.
Kaminari didn't attack. He had some doubts. He thought, 'Why is their teamwork so good? Even veteran teams might struggle to have such efficient coordination. They have left the attack to that wind user while the other two are perfectly complimenting him.'
Kaminari kept feeling that something was off. And while he was analyzing, it finally hit him, 'Wait a minute. Why is that Wind user fighting without considering his chakra wastage at all? His chakra has fallen very low now. In just a few more jutsus, he will be dry!'
Kaminari analyzed, but couldn't figure out the reason why they were acting that way.
Kakuzu and Renjiro were still stuck in a deadlock. Kakuzu had the absolute advantage over Renjiro, but he couldn't deal any injuries to him.

Kakuzu analyzed, 'He is good. If it weren't for those three kids, he might have been able to escape successfully from me. That said, what is that useless Kaminari doing? I even sent my Fire Mask to help him. And he still can't kill 3 kids?'

The fighting continued for a few minutes. Team Renjiro was extremely exhausted. Fujin had one knee on the ground. Mieko and Hoka were tired as well. They had spent a huge amount of chakra on ninjutsu.

Renjiro was also exhausted. Fighting against an S rank ninja and the three masks took its toll on him.

Kaminari observed them and smirked, 'Finally they ran out of chakra. Now let me see why they fought so recklessly.'

Kakuzu also observed very carefully. During the last few minutes, he had seen endless tactics and tricks from Renjiro. He didn't want to get careless.

Fujin looked over at Renjiro. Renjiro was looking at him as well. They both nodded their heads as soon as their eyes met. Hoka and Mieko noticed it. Immediately, all four flickered in different directions!

Kakuzu and Kaminari immediately followed Renjiro and Fujin respectively. While Kaminari's clones followed Hoka and Mieko.

If there was one thing that Team Renjiro prided upon, it was their skill with the Body Flicker jutsu. Even in an exhausted state, they all managed to flicker multiple times.

Unfortunately, their opponents were very strong. All of them were chased down successfully!

Find out in the .