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Chapter 761 - End Of The Second Event

The second event ended without any mishaps or accidents. There is a scene of Dupe being shy and crying when she got awarded the MVP award. The audience cheered her on because of her reaction as they thought that she had low self-esteem, but she has a different reason for crying.

"I would actually gain a bonus!" Dupe thought to herself as she knew that those that get the MVP title will get a bonus reward when she comes back to her home country.

The audience also felt it when the players all shook hands after the second event. The eyes of those that are hungry for victory and want revenge for their disgrace. The heavy atmosphere got broken by the announcer as he interviewed the still crying Dupe.

"How does it feel gaining the MVP title? Did you know that 50% of the votes from becoming MVP came from the people in the audience? How do you feel having been chosen by the masses?" The announcer asked.

"I am just thankful that all of you voted for me as half is still a big deciding factor in determining that position. I will not disappoint all you as I will show more of my traps in the upcoming events as you guys have yet to see everything." Dupe answered as she has already stopped crying as soon as the announcer asked her.

The audience cheered on, but the player Apolaki could see that someone is glaring at him and those are the members of the Chinese National team. Hou Yiwei and his two team members managed to catch up to Apolaki who has their flag and the Russian national team flag, but they did not get their flag back.

Hou Yiwei even became scared at one point because he almost got killed by Apolaki. Their battle ended up happening in the jungle area and even Sveto and Anastacia arrived to retrieve their own flag. The battle became chaotic as three teams battled it out in a dense jungle.

In the end, even Sveto could not kill Apolaki even if he had the help of Anastacia. They would have been able to if the Chinese and Russian national teams worked together but their prides did not allow such thing to happen. It is then that the two teams learned of a terrifying fact about Apolaki.

Apolaki is actually a player that learns while battling as he became even more difficult to target as the battle progressed. Someone born with that ability is the fear of every combat-based game. A player that grows while in battle means that they will ultimately win in the end if they do not defeat him immediately.

In the end, Hou Yiwei almost got killed by Apolaki and is only spared because time ran out. Apolaki's kampilan is about to slice Hou Yiwei's neck when they got ejected out of the game pod. Even Sveto is looking at Apolaki with the ambition of defeating him as he never thought that someone not affiliated with a god of war has that fierce combat capabilities.

Others were lighthearted in their interaction as Creepysoo and Xinthri spoke with each other without problems. In fact, some might say that they are friends due to the way that they are

interacting, but Ain (South Korea's team captain) is a little peeved about the interaction of the two as one of them has beaten him before.

"You are really like a wall that is difficult to defeat. You are almost like my big brother." Creepysoo stated as he had a light conversation with Xinthri. The two have a newfound respect for one another as their battle did not have a winner despite them giving their utmost concentration.

"Oh! You mean your big brother is also in the game? I would love to have a battle with him if I get the chance." Xinthri replied.

"I did not mean my actual big brother related to blood but my big brother in game. I am pretty sure that you know of him as he is so famous now. He goes by the name Equinox." Creepysoo stated.

Xinthri got stunned as he did not expect that Creepysoo, and Equinox are that close to actually all themselves as brothers. Even the other people overhearing their conversation are interested in what they heard because it is about the demon player that is the talk of the year.

"So, if we battle...who do you think would win? It is fine to answer truthfully as I am not the type of person that is easily offended by that kind of stuff." Xinthri stated as he has the temperament of a pro athlete.

"I am not sure but if you are to battle him now with the things that I observed then you would lose hands down." Creepysoo answered honestly which really did hurt a bit of Xinthri's pride while some eavesdroppers almost burst out laughing.

"Well, I am sure that I will put up a good fight since I have yet to show all my cards in the fight that we had." Xinthri stated as he wanted to recover some of his pride.

"I do not know if that is true because I fought with him before this event and I got floored. I have even experienced my second awakening, but I was defeated. I am honestly traumatized with that battle, and I will never challenge him again unless I have a hundred percent chance at victory." Creepysoo answered honestly as he is a very honest person which is probably the reason why the undead love him.

"Don't you mean if you have a chance of winning not a hundred percent chance?" Xinthri asked as he thought that he might have heard wrong since English is not their original language and some errors in grammar are acceptable.

"Nope. Even if Big Brother Equinox has a one percent chance of winning, he could turn that chance into ten and then fifty until you realized that your face is on the floor with all your undead demolished." Creepysoo stated as he walked away since Ain already called him.

The people who heard that conversation is dumbfounded with what they learned as they judged that it might have been exaggerated. Although, the seed of doubt and fear has been planted on their hearts about the fierceness of Equinox.

Chapter 762 - Friends Meet

The second event ended with a high note, and everyone felt energized. The tension between the players is still visible because of the battles they have fought. Some of the players decided to unwind while some decided to meet their fellow friends.

Earlier, after the match...

Creepysoo: I heard from Levin Cloud that the four of you are here in the arena. We should meet up and discuss while we are free. I want to see you guys in real life and not just the normal video chatting that we all do.

Levin Cloud: Let me ask the boss if we can meet you guys. Hi Equinox!

Equinox: I have no problem meeting up, but don't players need to have meetings after the match or something? You might get in trouble for skipping that meeting.

Creeypsoo: No worries as they decided to skip the meeting for tomorrow morning since the second event will start a bit late tomorrow. Is it the same for you, old man Vayu?

Vayu: I can meet you guys and I also have my daughter with me. He would be thrilled to finally get a chance to meet you guys as she gets bored being alone in the player waiting area for our team.

Creepysoo: It is settled then. Where are we going to meet? Maybe we should go to your location Big Brother Equinox? We cannot use the team lodgings as it is very guarded by the others.

Equinox: We should meet up in the buffet across the street as we are eating there.

Creepysoo: You mean the Olympia Hotel's buffet? I heard that they were closed due to cleaning their kitchen.

Levin Cloud: You should know that Equinox' grandfather is very well connected. Like really well connected and he is getting spoiled.

Equinox: Says the person who is getting showered by the same blessings and eats like a hog. Anyways, meet us there and we will fetch you guys there.

Vayu: Ok.

Creepysoo: Free food!

"Why not just escort them here to our VIP room?" Marlon asked as he thought that they could have just all went to the restaurant together.

"You do know that he is not supposed to be interacting with other players, right? We only got permission because we promised not to spill anything about the event. You better shut your mouth as they must not do last minute changes to the events." Jade stated as she pinched Marlon's right cheek.

"I will. I am not that loose of a mouth and besides only Adrian knows what really will happen with the event as he is the one participating." Marlon stated as he did make a good point.

"Regardless, we have seen glimpses of the events in their headquarters. If the players suddenly know what will happen then only, we would eb suspected of leaking information. So, you better just chug food in your mouth if you are going to spill something confidential." Mina stated as she also signed the non-disclosure agreement that takes money from your character.

"You should listen to her as even she is tight lipped about it to her boytoy. She usually spills everything to people that she dates." Adrian sneakily commented.

"You just never had any experience dating anyone which is why you are saying that. You will die old and alone at this point." Mina fired back.

"I am sorry, but I did not need Dave to know about my personal collection of rare glass. I was made fun of that in school, and I still remember the horrors to this day. Although, you just beating him to a pulp did make me feel better." Adrian stated as he smiled a little

"I am still your elder sister. Only I can mess with you." Mina stated as she also showed a little smile and headed to their dinner spot.

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They arrived at the restaurant area of the hotel and noticed four people waiting for them there. The people waiting is an old man, a child that is not yet a teen, a teenage boy and a young adult woman. The old man and child is definitely Vayu and Soleil. The teenage boy should be Creepysoo but the young adult woman is unfamiliar to them as they never seen her before.

"Here!" Kyungsoo (Creepysoo's real name) stated as he waved his hands high while the young adult woman told him too not be too energetic.

Genma (Vayu's real name) is a man that is well in his thirties with a great build as he is a kendo instructor in his country. He has short black hair and a small scruff facial hair. There are no other noticeable features than these as he looked like a well-built middle-aged Japanese man.

Inaho (Soleil's real name) is a cute girl rocking her ponytails and a smile that is beaming with enthusiasm. She is very quiet when it comes to strangers but is more talkative to those that she knows. She might be silent because of the young adult woman that Kyungsoo is with. She looks like a cute Japanese girl and would surely grow up to become a beauty.

Kyungsoo is wearing his country jersey that is provided to him and is an accompanied by a young adult woman that is older than him by about two to three years. Contrary to his rough and loud behavior, he actually is very handsome as he has the looks of a Korean male celebrity.

The young adult woman with him looks almost like him and the group could infer that this must be his sister. Although, he said that his sister is a very free-spirited person that rarely comes with him since he does not need to be supervised. Since she is not another player, Adrian did not question why she also came with them.

"Sorry for making you guys wait." Adrian stated as his grandfather's butler opened the door for them to the restaurant.

"Sorry about the sudden additional member. My sister wanted to come along when I told her where we were going. She said that she wanted to eat here but she was not able to make a reservation. She might not look like it, but she is a real foodie." Kyungsoo stated as he happily marched to the dining area.

"It is not that big of a deal because she is your sister anyway. If it were one of your team members then I would have asked them to politely leave." Adrian replied as he does not want to get mixed up with more players since they had signed a non-disclosure agreement.

"Sorry that I insisted. I can leave if you want me to." Kyungsoo's sister stated as she seemed shy for wanting to come with him despite only him being invited.

"Do not worry about that sista. I got your back as we elder sisters must work together to keep the young ones in check or else, they will wreak havoc. You can call me Mina. What about you?" Mina stated as she held the hands of Kyungsoo's sister like they are already close.

"You can call me Na-eun. I am Kyungsoo's elder sister. Please take care of me." Na-eun replied as she released some of her shyness because of Mina's outgoing personality.

"Seriously, they just met but they are like close friends already." Marlon whispered to Adrian.

"That is the power of a person with high EQ. She can become your friend in just a matter of minutes. How do you think that she made her money? If she is not great at handling people, then she would have just stayed at home and relied on our parent's money." Adrian whispered back.

"I see that big brother's elder sister is very formidable but to think that she is very pretty in real life. I thought that she just made herself pretty in the game, but it seems that the game does not do her justice." Kyungsoo commented as he could be seen slightly blushing.

"I would not bark that tree if I were you as she is terrifying. Do not let the skin sack fool you as she uses the restroom for two hours to get that look." Adrian whispered but he suddenly felt and ominous presence behind him.

"What were you guys talking about?" Mina stated as she smiled while hiding her slight anger.

"We were just teasing Kyungsoo because he thought that you were prettier in real life than in the game." Adrian replied with utmost confidence. Marlon could not help but give Adrian a thumbs up for his quick thinking.

"Oh! Is that so? Why did you not tell me sooner? But I am already taken, so this big sister is off limits." Mina teasingly stated.

"FBI!" Adrian jokingly shouted as Mina hit her in the arm.

"I was just joking as I would never go for someone younger than me." Mina chuckled but the hit that Adrian received is definitely not that light.. They enjoyed their dinner with casual chats as they wanted to catch up.

Chapter 763 - The Third Event I

The next day arrived, and the third event will be held for ten hours. The first half of the event will be from 7:00 AM in the morning to 12:00 PM at noon. There will be a lunch break for one hour and it will resume from 1:00 PM to 6:00 PM.

The audience already knew of this arrangement which is why they had opted to bring their food in the stands. They knew that this event will be the most intense because it is a hunting game. If the first event tested the players' map awareness and the second event tested the player's tactics, then the third event tested their hunting style.

Although some players would watch guides on how to hunt a monster, they would still often modify that strategy and hunting style to fit their playstyle. This event tested such things as numerous monsters will be scattered throughout the map.

Since the map is five times bigger than the previous map, the speed of the players is doubled in order to easily cross the gaps between distances. The map is the same as that of the second event map but this time it is filled with all sorts of creatures that range from F Rank to SSS Rank.

Each monster also gives different number of points depending on the rank. The players have been presented this point distribution since yesterday due to this event being the longest one. It is also the reason why the procession ceremony at the start of the event is cancelled.

Monster Difficulty – Number of Monsters – Number of points

SSS Rank – 1 x Monsters – 1000 Points per monster

SS Rank – 5 x Monsters – 100 Points per monster

S Rank – 10 x Monsters – 50 Points per monster

A Rank − 15 x Monsters − 30 Points per monster

B Rank – 20 x Monsters – 20 Points per monster

D Rank – 30 x Monsters – 10 Points per monster

D Rank – 50 x Monsters – 5 Points per monster

E Rank − 100 x Monsters − 2 Points per monster

F Rank – 200 x Monsters – 1 Point per monster

The highest number of points that a monster could give is a thousand points if they defeat the SSS rank difficulty monster. The lowest one is the F Rank at one point per monster, but they number about 200. If the team could kill all F Ranked monsters, then they can easily earn 200 points which could make them be the winner if an opposing team does not kill four S rank monsters.

The players were just given this point system so that they know what to expect and they also noticed the big difference between the SSS Rank monster and the SS rank monster. There is a huge gap for the point system for defeating the SSS Rank monster from the rank below which means it will be something special.

The players and even the audience suddenly noticed that the team that basically defeats the SSS Rank monster will be the winners of the game. It is obvious with what the developers are hinting at for the event. They are basically challenging the players from all over the world to try and kill the most powerful monster.

The rules for this event are simpler because it is basically a monster hunting event called Forest Hunter. The only thing that baffled the players and the audience is the name of the event. The contestants were not actually just fighting in a forest which is why they thought it as strange.

As the audience and the contestants all had their doubts about the name of the event, the rules are flashed for the audience to see. This time other players are discouraged to kill one another as they gain nothing by doing so.

Rules for the Forest Hunter Event:

- 1. You cannot gain point/points by killing a fellow contestant.
- 2. The inventory will be fully accessible, but players can only access 10 items of their choosing at the start of the event. These 10 items have already been passed and classified before the event. Players who utilize items for battle will have more bag space for their registered items.
- 3. Only the one who kills the monster will be able to gain the points for their team.
- 4. There are random safe zones in the area and each national team will be transported to them via random draw.
- 5. Players can use mounts or pets for this match. The movement speed bonus will also affect the mounts and pets. Only registered mounts and pets could be used in this event.

There are just five rules for this event as it is a hunting event but that also meant that the restriction for this event is low. Players with high imagination or battle strategy are basically needed for these as lesser restrictions means more possibilities.

For example, the rule about the inventory said that they can only use 10 classified items prior to the match but the inventory is still useful and infinite. For the players known as tacticians, they already found the hint for this rule as it means that items are probably scattered all throughout the huge map.

The players might be restricted in the things that they can bring but that also means that they can use whatever they pick up. Although opposing player's equipment will not drop, that does not mean that their consumables are the same. Other players could basically steal the potions of another player as long as they are caught off-guard.

The safe zones should be more like resting areas, but they should be small in size. There are lots of monsters scattered in the area which means twenty safe zones are just too many even for the third event. The map being widened is also something that they took note of as this could mean that large monsters inhabit the map.

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Chapter 764 - The Third Event II

The most important thing for this event is the last hit. The rule that the one who kills the monster is basically a rule that enforces kill stealing. Even though some of the players did not want to but they will need to resort to that tactic if need be.

Kill Stealing or KS for the acronym is a very popular term in the gaming world. It is either very fun or very annoying depending on which side the player is on. The ones benefitting for kill stealing will definitely rejoice be it monster or player. They gain the points of the others with minimal effort just because they managed to hit it last.

For the one being the victim of kill stealing, let us just say that some keyboards and monitors did not survive back in the day. For Pandemonium, there are even players that quit after they got their kill stolen by another player, but they soon came back after a week or so. The thrill of Pandemonium is not that easy to keep away.

Nevertheless, this is a very rude behavior especially when it comes to dignified guilds. This act is basically them spitting on the face of another person and some guild wars are even triggered because of certain world bosses being KSed.

Every player in this event knew what they had to do but that also means offending the other party. It would have been avoided but the players are now in full competition mode because of the fiasco that happened in the second event.

The second event is basically the trigger that made every player become as competitive and petty as they can be as long as they win. They are now in full competition mode that simple undignified acts such as kill stealing will only be viewed as their key to their victory. The hunger in their eyes is now very apparent because of the last event.

This is actually one of the plans of the development team as they definitely wanted the players in this competition to hunger for the title. The first event is basically just an ice breaker in order to get the ball rolling. The second event is where the developers made sure that the competitive spirit of the players will be ignited. Some hotter than others as they still hold grudges.

"The Third Event Forest Hunter will now start! Each team has already finished rolling for their respawn location. Remember that players could be revived as long as their team member is nearby to revive them.

If a whole team is wiped out, then they will all respawn in the designated location. It also takes one minute to fully revive someone to half their health. It is important to note that the monsters located in this map is randomized so even f rank monsters could be different from one another!

Take note that the SSS Rank monster will only show up when half of the monsters in the map has already been defeated. It will not show up otherwise, but we know that the contestants will definitely be able to make it show up faster than anticipated.

Everyone can see the flames of determination burning in the eyes of those before me." The announcer stated as the players are now randomly transported in all of the areas.

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"Who do you think will win?" Marlon asked.

"I do not know but I do know that the ones that are powerful in this type of events are the necromancers. They are powerful in PVE type of situations because lots of dead bodies will be scattered around them." Adrian replied.

"Do you know what is the appearances of the monsters? I am pretty sure that you manage to take a peek at it when they were doing your scans and such. Why is the SSS Rank monster worth a thousand points when the SS ranked monsters are only 75 points?" jade asked as she is curious with the point systems and the monsters.

Many people that play Pandemonium actually play because of the cool monsters that appear in the game. Many of these monster fanatics are the summoner players since they want to actually ride something like a dragon or be in battle with a giant bird. This event basically opened the eyes of those that have yet to see magical monsters scattered all throughout Pandemonium.

"I will not spill anything about the SSS Rank monster, but I can tell you about the SS ranked monsters. There is one in each zone of the map, and they must also be triggered by defeating a quarter of the number of monsters in the map.

The SS rank monsters are basically the dungeon bosses while the S ranked monsters are just considered as mini bosses. Although only a handful of individuals could probably defeat them by themselves since mini bosses are difficult to deal with as well.

The A rank monsters are in the level of field bosses as they are much easier to defeat with little teamwork. The other ranks are basically just that." Adrian replied as he did not want to spoil much of the fun.

"So, the SS rank monsters in each area are reflective of their habitat. I am now very excited for the monsters that will appear. It might be a monster that we have never seen before as they all got the data of the monsters in the game." Marlon stated with an excited tone as he is also a monster lover.

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The players of each national team have been transported to their respective safe zones. There are four safe zones per area which totaled to twenty in response to the number of teams clashing in this event. Each of the contestant immediately felt that the map has really become bigger but the first thing that they did is to get used to their doubled speed.

It is important for them to get use to it or else they might make a mistake when against other players. The strategies for each team are once again varied but more of them have kept their groups.. Only a few teams have dared to let some players go solo.

Chapter 765 - The Third Event III

The area that all of the contestants have spawned could be said as a general area. The safe zone is basically an area that is only five meters in diameter. They will also appear invisible to the monsters as long as they are inside of the safe zone.

There is also no monster that can be lured in the safe zone to ensure that the hit and run or bait and switch tactic will not be used. The contestants also tried experimenting with the safe zones by damaging a monster and escaping to the safe zone.

If they damage a monster and gets it attention, they can still escape to the safe zone but the damage they dealt will be immediately healed. The monster will also be cleansed of all debuffs that the players have inflicted. Players are also unable to cast spells like buffs inside of the safe zone.

Although, they can enter the safe zone with their buffs not getting dispersed. The time limit for the buffs is still ticking so it is not advisable to do just that. Safe zones do not even offer any special effects like health regeneration as its main objective is to mask the player's body.

Each of the teams made sure that they are not taken by surprise since they do not know if a random A rank monster would suddenly attack them. Thankfully, the monsters in the area near the safe zones are all F rank monsters that can be easily defeated with just one successful hit from damage dealers.

Monsters in the F rank category are different depending on the area that they have picked. Those in the marshland area are greeted by level 150 Mud Frogs. Monsters that are like two feet tall frogs that love the mud and even uses it to attack people. They also like moving in groups of five but have high camouflage capability when in mud.

The monsters in the sea area are all Solf Shelled Giant Crabs that have tough defense and can cling on their enemies. They are also in the range of the level 150 and are seen mostly in the coastal part of the east side of the map. They will never let go once they have gripped a prey even if one cuts off their pincers.

In the desert area, a monster called the Giant Kangaroo Rat are the F rank monsters. They are rats that are one foot high and almost two feet long. They are not much of an attack type monster, but they are very fast when in the desert area. Their main point of attack is a jumping attack where they tackle their enemy's head. One careless move and they might give your character a concussion.

The enemies in the mountain area are trickier than the other areas as the F rank monster there is the Agile Mountain Goat. A monster that is famed for its strong legs that can easily climb mountain ridges. They can even scale a flat mountain side by using the special property of their fur to act as some kind of Velcro. They have low health and attack, but they will run away when their health drops to 50% or get scared.

The F rank monster for the jungle is the Laughing Monkeys. They move in groups of three and would often play pranks on other monsters and even people that see them. They are cautious and is easily able to dodge attacks that are ranged because of their innate special skill. They also like to throw fruits towards those that they want to prank.

Since there are two hundred F rank monsters, each area has fifty of them evenly distributed to each part of the map. The next type of monsters is the E rank monsters that are a bit more challenging when it comes to defeating as they are a slight improvement to F rank monsters.

For the mountain area, the E rank monster that is located there is the Crystal Horned Sheep. A monster that has great attack power and could even block attacks by using its horns. It also makes use of its terrain to maximize its hunting efficiency. One would think that it is an herbivore because it is a sheep, but its favorite food is actually the Agile Mountain Goat. It is often called the Devil Goat as it has a wicked personality.

The E rank monster for the jungle area is called the Prowling Jaguar. It is an E rank monster that is great in ambushes and is often found hunting alone with the monkeys as its favorite source of food. They are also light footed which means that you will not notice that they are already behind you until they are already biting your neck.

The E rank monster for the desert area is surprisingly called the Unassuming Cactus. It is a plant monster that takes the form of a cactus that is human sized. It will be often seen dancing if it rains in the desert. It has gained the title of 'Dancing Cactus' because of its cute behavior if you pour water on it. Although, one must be careful in getting close as they will hug you to a prickly death.

The E rank monster in the island area called the Cucumber Cucumber. A type of monster that looks like a sea cucumber that is the size of a human. Be careful of this as it can swallow its prey whole if they wander close to it. It is also a monster voted by the female players as the most displeasing to the eyes.

The E rank monster for the marshlands is called the Launching Mudfish. They are monsters that hide deep in the mud and will launch their bodies to kill their prey or those that wander on their territory. They have high damage potential but are basically glass cannons.

Each of these monsters are easily seen by the players in the respective areas.

Chapter 766 - The Third Event IV

The battle for the points has started early as each team will kill monsters on sight. A summary board could be summoned by each player in order to see how many monsters of the same rank are left. The two hundred F rank monsters are easily cut in half due to the precision of the players.

The audience could sense that the contestants in this event are more competitive compared to the previous two events. It could be said that the players are channeling their rage in hunting monsters since they gain nothing by hunting other players.

Of course, there are still people that are bitter about their loss in the second event. It could be said that they become petty as long as they have the chance. Hou Yiwei is the best example for this as he specifically tracked the soloist Apolaki and will last hit all the monsters that the latter will try to kill.

The pettiness could be seen by everyone, but they actually liked it as it is also a great strategy. The best revenge for this event is not to team wipe the opposing team but to make them lose the chance to get points. Apolaki wanted to retaliate but he did not let his emotions get to him because the monsters that he tried to kill are just low point monsters.

He is also ticking Hou Yiwei by cutting the arrows before they hit the monsters. This pettiness battle has become a great watch for the audience, but the game analyzers could see the professionalism or prowess of the two by watching them fight.

As the players were trying to find and defeat monsters, one team managed to awaken something that they should not have this early. In the jungle area, a loud roar is heard that can even be heard by everyone in the entire map. A loud deafening roar that could be said as a roar filled with the authority of a king.

This roar came from the SS Rank monster that the Finnish Team accidentally awakened. They delved deeper in the jungle area and are greeted by a ruin. The ruins that they saw portrayed a monster revered as a god by the past inhabitants of the jungle that is in the form of a large tiger.

There are even murals of it that the people would sacrifice their own people just to satiate the beast or else it will kill half of their people in return. It is also shown that it was sealed in a relic that looks like a crystal laced with red and black lines with runic characters. The warning should have been apparent, but the murals are already fading and could not be read as easily anymore.

Since items could also be picked up in this event, the players would pick up hers or scattered items. There are even some dead adventurers to add the effect that the areas are very difficult to stay alive in. The Finnish players thought that they had hit the jackpot as they found consumables like bombs and arrows but that is what they only thought.

One of them touched the crystal that sealed the SS rank monster hidden in the depths of the jungle. They activated the SS rank monster earlier that predicted which means that the balance of the event will be ruined. Some people are either really lucky but then bring misfortune after.

The Finnish national team awakened one of the deadliest SS rank monsters that is famed for its ferociousness. They awakened the Blood Hungry Crimson Tiger. It is a monster that can be said to only inhabit the high-level dungeon called Mysterious Jungle, but it is actually just a mini boss there as the dungeon level is actually level 300.

With one roar, Blood Hungry Crimson Tiger managed to induce fear on all of the Finnish national team members. It also dealt with them swiftly as the other team is unprepared. The red striped tiger is now roaming the jungle area with the intent to eat as it has been imprisoned for too long inside the crystal.

The players that heard the roar did not waste time as they knew that it was a roar that came from a high ranked monster. They must be the first to kill it in order to get the points for it. One could easily win this event if they defeat the SSS rank monster, but they are not even sure if they could take on that monster.

The Blood Hungry Crimson Tiger noticed that many presences are now coming towards its as soon as they stepped foot in the jungle area. The jungle is its domain so wit will make sure that it will not lose to those invaders. If one is very observant, then they would see that the Blood Hungry Crimson Tiger is actually smiling but no one can even know what a smiling tiger looks like.

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"Can you see anything, Poison Ivy?" Totem asked his team member as she is the best one when it comes to surveillance among them.

"I already scattered all the spores in the jungle area, but I cannot see any monster that is different. I can at most see a few B ranked monsters but not something like a S rank or SS Rank monster." Poison Ivy replied.

Totem suddenly felt the spirits of the monsters inside of him tell him to be prepared as a powerful foe is nearby. The other team members in his group did not even detect this as the SS rank Blood Hungry Crimson Tiger did not even emit killing intent.

The Blood Hungry Crimson Tiger used the jungle as a cover, and it could pass through it without even being seen. It will remain undetected as long as it does not attack. It smelled an interesting

human in this area which is why it came to look for it and found Totem. It vanished in the area after seeing that the interesting human it saw can detect it.

"It vanished!"

Chapter 767 - Blood Hungry Crimson Tiger

[The structure of power in the jungle area of the map has shifted.]

[All hidden monsters will now become active due to the awakening of the overlord.]

All of the players received this notification as the overlord that is awakened is definitely the SS rank monster. They wanted to find it, but they cannot even see it. Even the Finnish national team that awakened it can no longer see the overlord when they returned to the temple.

In reality, the overlord, Blood Hungry Crimson Tiger, is wandering its territory in order to see the challengers that are inside of it. It is trying to find the best opponent out of all the individuals in its jungle. It wants to consume the most powerful individual as they taste much better than plebs that anyone can find.

Blood Hungry Crimson Tiger is a unique type of monster because of its affinity. It is a monster that is half elemental due to a mutation or it was born like that. It can use the earth and fire element at its disposal, but it is more suited in using the earth element.

It is defined as Blood Hungry because of its insatiable appetite for the flesh and blood of others. The first Blood Hungry Crimson Tiger is actually said to have gotten its elemental half by consuming a special flower that collects elemental energy in the jungle.

The flower that it consumed is called the Eternal Blood Flower that feeds on the elemental force of others by drinking the blood of its victims. Some way or another, the first Crimson Tiger managed to either fuse or eat this mystical flower and evolved to become the Blood Hungry Crimson Tiger.

The two S rank monsters in the jungle area have also been awoken by the Jungle Overlord. They should not have awakened unless the population of the monsters is cut in half. The jungle overload awoke them in order to weed out the weaklings in the fold. The jungle overlord only wanted the strong ones for its revival feast.

Each of the national teams sent out their best players to the jungle area in hopes of getting a glimpse of the jungle overlord but they are instead greeted by frenzied monsters. The frenzied monsters of the jungle area are all in the control of the Blood Hungry Crimson Tiger.

Apolaki is also investigating the jungle area, but he could not see the supposed overlord. He is about to hunt in another area when his senses suddenly tingled as he felt like he was being watched. He knew exactly that the one watching him is not an easy opponent but is glad because he or she is not releasing killing intent.

Hou Yiwei also noticed this when he is tailing Apolaki as his enhanced senses could feel something in the air, but he cannot put a location on it. He could feel a strong presence in the area, but he is also unable to ascertain its location. The only one that can actually see or rather see the soul of the Blood Hungry Crimson Tiger is Creepysoo.

He immediately went back to report to his team members that the overlord is a giant tiger. The jungle overlord did not bother stopping Creepysoo when it noticed that it was seen. It just shrugs it off and proceeded to observe those foolish enough to wander on its territory.

"To think that I would be the first one that is revived in this dimension. The others might still have their seals, but my job is to protect the seal of the master. Mortals are really foolish and would jump to a pit of fire just to assert their strength." The Blood Hungry Crimson Tiger told itself as it can see that the other overlords are still sealed.

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"Is it really called the Blood Hungry Crimson Tiger?" Ain asked Creepysoo as he wanted to make sure that what his team member said is correct.

"I am sure as that what appeared when I identified the soul. It seems to be able to become some sort of spirit as it is invisible to the naked eye. The odd thing is that it would come close to players, but it will not attack them. It looks like it was just observing them with great curiosity." Creepysoo stated as he found it weird and disturbing.

"It could be a very intelligent monster since it is the SS rank monster that we have seen. Monsters will obtain their intelligence when they grow which is why monsters would often have strategies by level 100. What is the level of the Overlord?" Ain asked as he wanted their team to prepare to hunt it down.

"It is level 300 when I first saw its description. It is definitely something that will need about three to five teams to defeat. Maybe when it is incorporeal, it cannot take action as its body is literally just spirit like one of my skills. Although, it being able to move is more annoying as it is similar to a skill that I know." Creepysoo stated.

"Tell us more." Ain asked as he wanted to know what skill the Blood Hungry Crimson Tiger is using.

"It might be able to turn the wielder into something not of the physical plane. It would probably receive twice the damage when struck by a spell s having such a great skill must come at a cost. Also, it might lose its invisibility if it attacks as I saw it passing through some players." Creepysoo stated as their team is now formulating a plan in order to be the one to monopolize the SS rank boss.

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"Each of you get ready. The opponent that we will be fighting is something that needs all of us to tag in. I sensed the overlord's power, but I am unable to see it which means that it has a stealth skill that can bypass by eyes." Totem stated as his eye color is reflected by sunlight.

Totem's eyes are something special as he could use it to peer through deception but the fact that the overlord could avoid his gaze meant that it is powerful. Powerful in the sense that Totem even doubts if their team could defeat it.

"If you are this serious then is it really something we cannot handle unless all of us team up?" Null asked as she wanted to know Totem's judgement.

"It is powerful enough to compare to the Arch Lich when we encountered it." Totem stated as they were also part of the team that raided the Arch Lich back then.

"We were weaker then when we faced the Arch Lich. We should be strong enough to handle the Arch Lich or something of equivalent power now." Shado replied.

"I am a bit sorry that I cannot detect it with my spores as plant monsters are not really the sensitive type of monsters. But I do feel something that is off in this jungle compared to the last time that I went inside of it." Poison Ivy muttered as she could feel the energy of the forest somehow become more ominous.

"What changed?" Totem asked as he also felt something change in the forest because he is a type of druid. Druids are basically often called as Nature's Priests because of their way of handling and caring for nature.

"It somehow became stuffier and heavy compared to last time. Even the trees became silent, and the flowers will not even talk to me as if they are afraid of something.: Poison Ivy stated as she felt the earth beneath her become colder.

"I also feel the same. Whatever that overlord did, I can guarantee that it is not something that will benefit us.

Each of the players are discussing what their next moves inside of the jungle is when something big exploded in the northwest area of the jungle. It is actually a player that is now disappearing into particles of light because it got attacked by a powerful monster.

A monster that looks like a gorilla that is about five meters tall is looking menacingly towards the individuals that dared to invade the jungle. It is the monster called Stone Fist Giant Gorilla and is one of the heaviest hitters when it comes to monsters in the high levels.

It is a gorilla with fists that are covered with a layer of thick and hard stone. It is said to be able to even eb able to make the rock layer on its hands explode when rubbed. It has high damage as testament to the player that died is actually the tank of the Australian national team.

The Stone Fist Giant Gorilla pumped its fists onto its chest which radiated a thumping echo that made everyone that heard the rhythm feel like they are getting blasted by loud music.. The Stone Fist Giant Gorilla is not the only one rampaging as another S rank monster is attacking the players as commanded by the Blood Hungry Crimson Tiger.

Chapter 768 - The Jungle's S Rank Monsters I

In another part of the dense jungle, a large monster that is about ten meters tall is currently attacking a group of players. It is none other than a Crystal Tusked Mammoth which is a monster with tough defense and high attack but has extremely low speed.

It has green fur covering its body that would have been great for blending in the jungle, but its large size and unique tusks is giving it away. The tusked are made from the condensed minerals that it likes to eat as it prefers to eat special plants that contain the earth element or actual rocks filled with earth elemental energy.

Not all of the national teams have sent their team members in the jungle as some decided to hunt in the area that they are satisfied in. Only those that are sure that they can kill steal the SS Rank

monster has appeared in the jungle. The national teams that are in the jungle are United States, China, Japan, Philippines, United Kingdom, Russia and South Korea.

The United States National Team has Totem and Poison Ivy. The Chinese National Team has Hou Yiwei and the Twin Blades, Jiang and Ye. The Japanese National Team has Mariposa, Blade, and Vayu. The Philippine National Team has Apolaki.

The United Kingdom National Team has Tristan and Siegfried. The Russian National Team has Sveto and Anastacia. The South Korean National Team has Ain and Creepysoo. All of them are in the jungle but none of them are in battle with the SS Rank monster as they are stopped in their tracks because of the Two S rank monsters in the jungle.

The ones facing the Stone Fist Giant Gorilla are United States, China and Philippines. The one facing the Crystal Tusked Mammoth are the Japan, United Kingdom, Russia and South Korea. They wanted to press on to find the jungle overlord, but they are hindered by the two S rank monsters that are as powerful as their team.

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"Do we need to be careful of the other people?" Poison Ivy asked Totem as she needed to make sure that they are the one who will take down the Stone Fist Giant Gorilla.

"We need to cross that bridge if we make it out alive. That monster is not something that only the two of us can handle. It has the strength of a real S rank monster." Totem replied but he is also a bit worried of the other teams. He looked at Hou Yiwei and the Twin Blades but paid special attention to Apolaki when he saw the gameplay footage of yesterday's event.

"What should we do? Do we get revenge now? The hooligan that robbed us of our victory is right there." Jiang asked Hou Yiwei but the latter did not respond with what the former thought.

"We must first redeem ourselves from yesterday's humiliation. The coach has already warned us that no more mistakes must be made. We will prioritize hunting the S rank and SS rank monsters first as winning this event is our mission. We can just punish him in Pandemonium after this event as the whole world is also looking at us." Hou Yiwei stated as he was warned their coach and he already prevented Apolaki to score points by kill stealing all the monsters the latter was attempting to kill.

"Noted. Will we go full on now or later?" Ye asked as she wanted to know if they need to go full battle mode since they need the attention of the public to favor them. Thankfully, the MVP for this event is also voting based on the audience rating. Half of the voting is decided by the audience in the stadium.

"What should I do? Should I escape and regroup with the four? I would just be a great distraction to them if I join them so the best bet would be to make up the points that I lost because of that bastard." Apolaki thought as he looked at the S rank monster before them, but he felt a more terrifying presence earlier that passed through him a few moments ago.

All of them are just looking at each other and the Stone Fist Giant Gorilla as all of them are caught in a deadlock. It is the Stone Fist Giant Gorilla that broke this deadlock as it slammed its fists on the

ground and created a shockwave that sent rock precipices towards the area around it. Each of them had no choice but to dodge since they were caught unaware.

As Hou Yiwei jumped backwards, he started firing arrows at the Stone Fist Giant Gorilla. The volley of arrows pierced the Stone Fist Giant Gorilla and it let out a small cry as it is a new sensation for it to feel damage. It bolted from its location and followed the Chinese national team.

Hou Yiwei and his team members are about to show a happy expression, but mist suddenly covered the area around them. The next thing they knew is that the Stone Fist Giant Gorilla shrieked as a mystical blade managed to cut through its soul. It emitted a roar that blew away some of the mist, but it just retracted back.

Apolaki did not hold back and went all out in damaging the Stone Fist Giant Gorilla. The other national teams saw this and thought that they might take advantage of this and go for the last hit, but Apolaki used his brains in luring the Stone Fist Giant Gorilla into his preferred direction.

He lured the Stone Fist Giant Gorilla to the area where the United States national team were and let them take aggro. Totem is stunned but he managed to go toe to toe with the Stone Fist Giant Gorilla with the support from Poison Ivy's soulbounds.

Apolaki will also attack every now and then in order to pressure the other national teams that are in his area.. He made sure to keep them on their toes so that they cannot join hands and kill him.

Chapter 769 - The Jungle's S Rank Monsters II

On the other side of the jungle, the ones facing the Crystal Tusked Mammoth are the Japan, United Kingdom, Russia and South Korea. Unlike what the other side did with the Stone Fist Giant Gorilla, all of them made some sort of hidden agreement to not interfere with each other.

They sort of made a silent vow to not kill each other but that does not mean that they can be safe from being killed by the Crystal Tusked Mammoth either intentionally or accidentally. One such case happened to one of Creepysoo's undeads when Sveto deflected an attack from the Crystal Tusked Mammoth.

"He is sly." Creepysoo commented.

"More like he knows that he can handle that Crystal Tusked Mammoth well which is why he is using it for his advantage. You are the most powerful one here due to your numerous undead. He is thinning the herd in order to become the one standing on top. Anastacia being a priest is also not helping your case either." Ain stated as he looked sharply at Sveto.

"Oh! You do not need to worry about her holy magic as it will not affect me or the undead that I have raised." Creepysoo stated with a smile with Ain being a bit dumbfounded.

In fact, there is not much that knows that undead in the faction of the Undead King are not affected by the holy healing magic spells cast by the Church of Life. Other undeads are still affected by holy magic from them but those that serve the God of Death are pardoned from this weakness.

"Ghoulish Helpers!" Creepysoo stated as he raised two unique undeads that are not in his current army of fifty. The undead army that Creepysoo has are made of skeletal monsters that range from F rank to D rank.

The two unique undead that he summoned look like they were wearing tuxedos. They are also somewhat intelligent, but they seemed weird because they were dancing while they were summoned. The two unique undead are definitely intelligent seeing as they bowed to Creepysoo who is the Prince of the Undead.

"We should lead this attack or else they might get the spotlight." Creepysoo stated as he commanded all his undead to attack the Crystal Tusked Mammoth.

The Crystal Tusked Mammoth emitted a roar that would have stunned any living being but the undead are not fully living beings. The undead were not stunned but they can be easily defeated by squishing them flat. Numerous undead would climb the body of the Crystal Tusked Mammoth and start biting it to infuse it with their Death Miasma.

The Crystal Tusked Mammoth might have tough defense but continuous attack in the same area will make its tough defense falter a bit. That little crack in the defense is all that the undead needed to insert their Death Miasma inside of the monster to weaken its power. It is evident by the debuffs that the Crystal Tusked Mammoth is receiving.

Mariposa did not hold herself back as she used her two high damaging soulbounds to join the fight. The giant praying mantis that she had would slash at the Crystal Tusked Mammoth without minding the undead climbing it.

The Crystal Tusked Mammoth could not bear that it is being pressured by ants beneath its feet. It decided to use its skill called Reckless Charge and hit anyone that dared to block its way. The Crystal Tusked Mammoth charged and headed to the direction of the United Kingdom National Team.

Other people would stay away or dodge, but Siegfried did not falter. He used his axe and charged it with some sort of power that made him plant his feet firmly into the ground. His body is filled with a deep green aura that made him look formidable.

The Crystal Tusked Mammoth did not stop as it made a decision to ram its body to those standing on its path. It sensed some sort of powerful energy on the individual before it, but it trusted its power more than some puny ant that will be pulverized by its force.

"To think that a mere monster is actually belittling me." Siegfried stated as he used the skill that he was charging.

"Earth Splitting Axe!" Siegfried shouted as his power exploded from his body.

The Crystal Tusked Mammoth did not stop even if it noticed the power of the one it is going to ram into because it cannot stop. Once its started its charge, it will not be able to easily turn location or stop as it needed to ram into three large trees or a cliff in order to top.

Siegfried's axe and the Crystal Tusked Mammoth's tusk clashed against one another and both of them actually got pushed back. Siegfried got pushed ten meters away while the Crystal Tusked Mammoth got pushed about ten feet away. The difference in power might be evident but the fact that Siegfried stopped the charging attack of a monster leagues above him shocked everyone.

When the Crystal Tusked Mammoth got pushed back, a rain of arrows came coming down on its face. Tristan targeted the face of the Crystal Tusked Mammoth and specifically aimed at its eyes in

order to blind the creature, but it flicked all the arrows using its tusks. It let out a deafening roar once again as it wanted to scare away the challengers, but it did not affect them.

"That monster is tougher than I thought." Siegfried stated as he lost 20% of his whole health despite his defenses being twice as much when he has fully charged the ability. He would have sulked if he did not notice the crack on the right tusk of the Crystal Tusked Mammoth.

The Crystal Tusked Mammoth noticed that its priceless tusk has been damaged and became enraged despite not even falling below the half health threshold. It stood up using its hind legs and stomped the ground with all its weight put into it. The shockwave that the stomp created made all those around it get blown away.. The eyes of the Crystal Tusked Mammoth has turned red as it finally gone crazy.

Chapter 770 - The Jungle's S Rank Monsters III

"That guy is really annoying!" Poison Ivy stated as she used her vines to try and entangle the Stone Fist Giant Gorilla.

The Stone Fist Giant Gorilla got caught up in the vines but the poison that the thorns has did not affect it as it has natural immunity to toxins due to the rich earth element in its veins. The vines did not last long either as the thorny vines got broken in about one second that the Stone Fist Giant Gorilla got bound by them.

The Stone Fist Giant Gorilla suddenly struck its fists towards the ground, and it absorbed rich amounts of earth elemental energy from it. The Stone Fist Giant Gorilla then punched the ground that emitted a strong shockwave that made everyone in the vicinity get knocked back by a powerful force.

The powerful force would have been enough to incapacitate the players for a long while, but Apolaki suddenly appeared from behind the Stone Fist Giant Gorilla. He plunged another ghostly sword on the body of the Stone Fist Giant Gorilla which made the latter emit another scream since the damage is a fixed amount.

The Twin Blades could somehow feel the agony of the Stone Fist Giant Gorilla as they were also subjected to that type of skill because Apolaki used it on them. Each of those ghostly swords deal a fixed amount of magic damage in health percentage. It was complete torture to be subjected to numerous swords that cannot even be deflected.

"Spirit of the Bear!" Totem stated as a silhouette of a giant bear monster appeared behind him as he started charging.

The Stone Fist Giant Gorilla became stunned for a moment, but it used its other first to send another shockwave. Totem planted his feet on the ground and anchored himself better using his fists. Apolaki once again dodged the attack by becoming a spiritual entity due to the effects of his skill.

Even Totem found it almost borderline overpowered since he can basically dodge any attack that he pleases but there are individuals that are also out to get him in this event. Before Apolaki turned all of his body incorporeal, Hou Yiwei managed to sneak an arrow straight towards Apolaki.

If it does not hit Apolaki, then it will hit the Stone Fist Giant Gorilla which is also a win in Hou Yiwei's eyes, but faith seemed to smile at him. Apolaki got hit with the arrow and became corporeal

because of the damage that he received. The Stone Fist Giant Gorilla and immediately smacked Apolaki away.

Apolaki got sent flying towards a nearby tree and the impact is so strong that the tree fell. Blood could be seen dripping from Apolaki's mouth as he got a heavy injury as the Stone Fist Giant Gorilla has enhanced its fists with earth elemental energy.

Apolaki is not a warrior that has high defense, so half is health is suddenly gone in an instant. He also became stunned due to getting high damage in such a short amount of time. The Stone Fist Giant Gorilla is about to finish off Apolaki but a magic circle or rather a trap appeared beneath its feet.

The Stone Fist Giant Gorilla got bathe in light, but nothing happened. All the others just thought that it must be an optical trap that is meant to blind the one who activated it, but it is much more nefarious than that.

The trap expanded until it also flashed right before the other player's eyes. The next thing that they knew is that the Stone Fist Giant Gorilla is just standing there and not finishing off Apolaki like they thought it would do. The Stone Fist Giant Gorilla suddenly had a small emoticon pop on top of its head with cute horned devil emoji.

[The Stone Fist Giant Gorilla has increased 50% power for the duration of five minutes.]

[The Stone Fist Giant Gorilla will not be able to use any skills for the duration.]

[All entities tagged as targets will be the main aggro pullers for the Stone Fist Giant Gorilla.]

The United States and Chinese National Team suddenly had a look of bewilderment on their faces until they noticed something. A target is floating above their head with an emoticon of an annoying challenging face. The Stone Fist Giant Gorilla suddenly turned towards them, and they finally learned that they were the targets.

"Thanks." Apolaki stated as Dupe cancelled her invisibility and helped Apolaki up.

"It is necessary that you do not get killed. Give them the monster as we found something on the northern side of the map. You are the only one proficient in ancient language among all of us." Dupe stated as she placed an invisibility trap below their feet and disappeared.

The United States and Chinese national teams could not do anything to them two escaping because the Stone Fist Giant Gorilla is focusing its attention on them. It has twice its power now which means one hit could mean the end of anyone present in the area. They are also wary of traps spread on the area as they noticed that Dupe was around.

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[The Crystal Tusked Mammoth is enraged. All of the attacks from the Crystal Tusked Mammoth will become unpredictable.]

[It has increased its power by 50% but it also lost its sense of thinking for thirty minutes.]

The Crystal Tusked Mammoth is enraged and started to rampage all it wanted without a care of the surroundings. It also started to give pulsing waves of energy that damaged those that are around it. It is gathering energy from the earth elements around it in order to expel those that are clinging to its large body.

All the undead that are low ranked are easily defeated or crushed by the Crystal Tusked Mammoth by ramming itself to trees. Sveto saw this as a chance because Anastacia could easily heal him if he were to get damaged. If he gets peak damage, then his buffs will increase exponentially which is why he collected the aggro of the Crystal Tusked Mammoth.

The continuous damage that Sveto got made his attack power go exponentially high as Anastacia will heal him if he gets dangerously low. The damage that he is dealing to the Crystal Tusked Mammoth is insane, but he is also getting tons of damage in return. He is only getting to live because of Anastacia's healing.

"As expected of the Guild Master but do not think that I will let you do as you please just because I really respect and admire you." Mariposa stated as she sent her centipede soulbound to attack Anastacia which made her heals have somewhat of a delay.

Sveto did not mind the heal delays as he also has high regenerative abilities, but he also has other problems. Ain also participated in attacking the Crystal Tusked Mammoth without a care in what the other are doing as he can see that the monster is steadily losing health.

Ain wanted to pressure the others that are in the area to attack as he wanted to use his ability to finish off the beast. Siegfried also joined in and did not bother attacking his other competitors as he might not land the last hit if he does. Tristan might be free to hit the monster, but long-range attacks are barely effective against the Crystal Tusked Mammoth.

Blade and Vayu also did not bother to attack their enemy contestants as they must land the first hit as soon as possible. The only one interfering is Mariposa as she made sure that Anastacia will not be able to freely heal Sveto as she watched the horrifying power that he obtained when his buffs are stacked infinitely.

The Crystal Tusked Mammoth that became enraged is starting to feel more pressure because of the numerous attacks landing on its body. It wanted to hit Sveto, but his health would just be restored. It wanted to hit Ain, but that guy is using mysterious moves that could somehow manipulate an invisible force to deflect its attacks.

Crystal Tusked Mammoth wanted to hit Blade or Vayu but those two are too quick for its feet. It is also in a state of madness which meant that it has no control over its body. It can only try and fend off the attacks that it is receiving. Even the audience felt pity on the Crystal Tusked Mammoth, but such is the way of players.

The audience's pity is overshadowed by the fact that even an S rank monster is weak against the combined might of the rankers. The Crystal Tusked Mammoth's health dropped to 10% and all of them were now attempting to use their skills that can finish off monsters, but they forgot about someone because they are too engrossed in the battle.

"Corpse Explosion!" Creepysoo stated as all the undead bodies that are scattered on the ground simultaneously exploded in the area.. All of them were caught in the explosion as a large puff of smoke erupted from the area.