

## **STRIKER 601**

Chapter 601: Good news!

Shadow Moon Chamber

That evening, Jeremy got out of bed and began to get ready.

A few minutes later, he left the residence and went down to the first floor. He saw that members were going about their business.

His gaze swept across the living area and fell on the staff. They were all chatting and laughing.

He walked up to the door and stepped outside.

He turned around and walked to the footpath. Then, he called Sinag and Ada to see if they were around. He wanted to know whether they were there or not.

He learned that both of them were there and were coming down to meet him. Jeremy ended the call and sighed in relief.

Actually, he had been thinking about the death of the students. Both instructors had hidden things from him.

He didn't know why, but something did not sit well with him. He thought there was a big reason behind their deaths. So many people had died, yet not a single person knew about it.

Shortly afterwards, both Sinag and Ada came to see him. They both noticed that Jeremy Night's strength was greater than before because the aura exuding from him was stronger.

Both of them exchanged looks. Surprise was visible in their eyes.

"Jeremy, when did you break through?" Sinag asked.

"You are progressing too fast," Ada added.

Hearing that, Jeremy smiled and said, "Yes, I reached the 7th rank recently."

Sinag and Ada were not surprised, and they started discussing other things. From time to time, Jeremy Night debated whether to talk about Central University or not.

Sinag saw that Jeremy Night was absent minded at times.

She asked, "What are you thinking?"

Hearing that, Jeremy let out a sigh. He decided to talk to them.

"The mission that I took yesterday was mysterious." After saying that, Jeremy Night started explaining things to them.

Sinag and Ada listened intently to his words.

At first, their expressions were calm, but they became serious as time went by.

They didn't expect Central University 10 to be facing such a crisis. If their organization members had faced such things, Head Neil Moon wouldn't have been silent.

They didn't know why the Central University was not taking any action.

"Did you tell Leader Gisela?" Sinag asked.

Hearing that, Jeremy shook his head.

Ada was in deep thought. She asked, "Who could be daring enough to challenge Central University 10?"

"I don't know. But the enemy must be strong," Jeremy replied.

They talked for an hour before going back to the building. After entering the building, they parted ways. Jeremy then went back to his room.

The following day, he left his room and went to see Team Leader Gisela. When he got there, he found her seated at the desk.

He greeted her before sitting opposite her.

She said, "It's good that you have returned from the mission early. Head Neil Moon wanted to discuss something with you. You can go and see him when he comes to the office."

"Okay," Jeremy replied.

"So, how was the mission? Did you test your new strength?" Gisela asked in a casual tone.

Hearing that, Jeremy immediately thought of the corpses of the students. He lost focus for a second, and his expression changed.

This had been bothering him since coming back. His heart wouldn't be settled unless he knew why.

Gisela noticed something wrong with Jeremy Night's expression.

She asked, "What happened?"

"You can tell us anything. Don't feel uncomfortable," she added.

Hearing that, Jeremy Night recovered his thoughts.

"I encountered something serious during this trip..." After saying that, he started talking to her about the mission.

Gisela stopped doing her work and paid attention to his words. When she heard about the bruised corpses, her eyes flickered.

It seemed she knew something about this matter. His heart stirred. Maybe things were not like he had imagined.

A few minutes later, Gisela's expression was solemn.

She said, "It's too early for you to get exposed to some truths. So don't dig into this matter. Central University 10 will take care of themselves."

Jeremy was stunned. For a second, he thought she would tell him some news, but he didn't expect her to warn him.

This also proved that he was right. The crisis faced by Central University 10 was big. Then they talked about a few other things.

Then it was time to leave. Head Neil Moon was yet to come, so he left the room.

Thirty minutes later, Jeremy Night received a message that Head Neil Moon had arrived. He left his room and headed towards Head Neil Moon's office.

When he got there, he found that the door was open. He walked into the room and saw Head Neil Moon sitting behind the desk.

He greeted him before sitting on the chair.

"Kid, you are doing an amazing job lately. You even went on a mission with the Central University people."

"They were picky. Your strength must have impressed them," he added.

Hearing that, Jeremy smiled and said, "They had already read information about me. So I didn't face any problems."

Head Neil Moon nodded and decided to change the topic.

"Harold called me. He had given his word earlier that you can enter the 5th zone branch. But he wanted to verify your performance in person before making a final call," Neil said.

Jeremy was stunned. He didn't expect to hear such good news. He was truly happy. He wanted to go there so that he could get better resources.

"What happened? Are you going or not?" Neil asked.

"I'm going," Jeremy replied.

"Then go and make preparations. You can leave this weekend," Head Neil Moon said.

Hearing that, Jeremy was surprised. Then he thanked him for this opportunity.

To be honest, Head Neil Moon was impressed with Jeremy Night's performance in the 9th zone, so he was happy for Jeremy Night as well.

Then, Jeremy Night left the office in a good mood and returned to his room.

Chapter 602: Dean Parker

10th Zone, City-A

Central University

All the important people had gathered in the meeting hall.

Instructors Wyatt and Dolly had informed the higher-ups and handed over the remains of the deceased students, but there were still more remains to recover.

The Dean, the elders, the department heads, and the instructors were all present.

Dean Parker was seated at the head of the table. He was an old man who appeared to be in his sixties.

Dean Parker and the others were going through the reports copies submitted by Instructors Wyatt and Dolly. They contained details about their recent mission.

A few minutes later, Dean Parker placed the report on the desk. The others had finished reading as well.

He raised his head and looked at everyone. His eyes flashed with seriousness, but behind that seriousness lay hidden anger.

"It appears that these people are not taking us seriously," he said. "They dared to target our students continuously."

"If we don't retaliate, then they will continue with their actions," he added.

Gasp!

Hearing this, a heated discussion broke out.

The other higher-ups and elders were angry as well because the killings were not only damaging the university, but they were also making the forces behind the deceased impatient.

Some of the dead belonged to prominent beast-taming families.

They were asking for justice. If the university didn't do anything soon, the families might tell the media. If that happened, it would further ruin the reputation of the University.

Dean Parker said, "If you guys have any ideas, you can share them here. We can't afford a delay in this matter."

Hearing that, the others agreed. In fact, everyone had an idea about who the killers were, but they didn't have evidence.

Dean Parker's eyes sharpened. He also had a good idea about the killers, but he lacked proof.

Initially, when the killings began, he had sent people to find out the truth. However, the students who were sent to investigate got killed as well.

These killings angered the families behind them, so those families sent their own men to find the truth.

But the killers had long since escaped the area, and their traces were missing. Still, the families and the higher-ups of Central University strongly suspected who was responsible.

There were not many people who dared to offend Central University except for some organizations from the top 5 zones.

Time went by.

Instructors Wyatt and Dolly were discussing the situation with the others. Everyone had a solemn expression on their face.

Their enemies were not ordinary people. Even if they wanted to take action, they didn't know whether the Central University Headquarters was willing to support them.

The Central University Headquarters was located in the 1st Zone. Some of them felt it necessary to inform them.

Suddenly, one of the elders said, "Dean, why don't we inform Headquarters?"

"They will definitely find out the truth," he added.

Hearing that, other elders voiced the same opinion. They believed that Headquarters had more power. If they decided to intervene, they could find the killers quickly.

Dean Parker listened to everyone's suggestions.

At this time, Instructor Wyatt said, "Elder, why don't we put up a mission at the Beast Taming Association?"

"The Beast Taming Association will send people to investigate. If those people decide to kill the beast tamers, then they will offend the Beast Taming Association as well," he added.

Hearing that, the others were surprised. Compared to the plan of telling Headquarters, it was better to hand over the mission to the Beast Taming Association.

Instructor Dolly had thought the same. She thought it was better to hand over the mission to them.

So, she said, "I think it's better for the Beast Taming Association to take this matter. The members of the Beast Taming Association come from all walks of life."

"If their members die, then it will cause a huge problem. There is a chance for the Human Alliance to take action as well," she added.

"Instructors Wyatt and Dolly are right!"

"If we involve more parties in this matter, then it will be good for us."

"This plan is good."

"Let's just shift the matter to the Beast Taming Association."

"Yes, I support this idea."

One after another, the higher ups and elders began to voice their support.

Instructors Wyatt and Dolly weren't surprised, because no one wanted to get involved personally.

Otherwise, it could backfire on them. If powerful forces were involved, it was good for everyone.

Dean Parker heard everyone's voice and sighed internally. He thought the members underestimated the Beast Taming Association.

If any similar powerful force made a request to them, they would definitely review it. It would be easier for them to find out if there were ulterior motives.

But if he could offer better rewards, the Beast Taming Association would definitely accept the request.

Finding everyone's gaze on him, he looked at them and said, "I like the idea as well. But they are not fools. We need to offer better rewards. I'm thinking of offering a breathing method as a reward."

Gasp!

A small exclamation occurred. No one had thought that the Dean would offer a breathing method. Breathing methods were considered strategic resources.

The higher-ups exchanged looks. Some of them hesitated; they didn't know whether to support this idea or not.

Dean Parker watched everyone's reactions and shook his head. He knew that these people were neither willing to participate in this matter nor ready to offer resources.

His gaze sharpened as he said, "Listen, everyone. Do you think the Beast Taming Association doesn't know about the killings?"

Gasp!

Hearing that, the elders sucked in a cold breath of air. Everyone saw that Dean Parker was not joking.

Dean Parker said, "They must have already figured out something was going on here. Students from some of their allied families were studying in our university as well. It's hard to conceal information."

Hearing that higher ups and the elders felt right. The Beast Taming Association was not an ordinary force either. They must have their own intelligence gathering team.

Chapter 603: A Tier-6 Mission?

10th Zone, City-A

Central University:

Dean Parker heard the agreement from everyone. They were not ready to take risks, but they understood that the Beast Taming Association wouldn't accept the mission without suitable rewards.

"I guess everyone supports my idea. Then I'll talk to the Head of the Beast Taming Association," Dean Parker said to the group.

Hearing that, everyone remained silent. Instructor Wyatt and Dolly agreed as well.

Seeing this, Dean Parker ended the meeting. He intended to meet the Head of the Beast Taming Association right away.

About 20 minutes later, everyone had left. Only Dean Parker remained on the spot. He took out his digital device and called the Head of the Beast Taming Association.

The Head of the Beast Taming Association answered the call. Dean Parker didn't waste time; he stated his request immediately.

The Head of the Beast Taming Association was surprised, but he knew something was serious. When he finished hearing the whole story, there was silence.

The Head of the Beast Taming Association didn't agree immediately. He could tell that Dean Parker was hiding something.

However, since Dean Parker was the head of Central University 10, he decided to help him. Then, he asked about the reward.

When Dean Parker said that he was giving a Breathing Method as a reward, the Head of the Beast Taming Association immediately agreed.

The Breathing Method offered by Dean Parker was not ordinary. It was a Grade-6 Breathing Method.

So, the discussion was successful.

The following day,

The Beast Taming Association released an important mission. The mission was rated as a Tier-6 Mission. Only Tier-6 Beast Tamers and above could take this mission.

When the mission was released, the Beast Taming Association members came to view it. The mission description was short.

It was listed as an investigation mission. The Beast Tamers were shocked. Earlier, everyone had thought the mission would be different.

They didn't expect the mission to be this unique. The Tier-6 Beast Tamers looked closely at the mission details.

Especially when their gaze fell on the reward, it shocked them to their core. The mission reward was a Grade-6 Breathing Method.

Gasp!

A huge exclamation occurred. A heated discussion erupted among the members. The Grade-6 Breathing Method attracted everyone's attention.

By this time, Tier-5 Beast Tamers and other lower-tier beast tamers were gathering in front of the mission board.

This mission appeared in bold letters and came under the "Special Mission" category. The news quickly spread across the building.

Those who were entering and leaving the building heard about the mission as well and quickly went to the mission board.

It didn't take long for the staff and other elders of the Beast Taming Association to know about the mission as well.

They were in shock because it was very rare to see a mission rated Tier-6 or above. Whenever one appeared, it caused a shockwave.

Usually, the casualties involved in such missions were high. Though this time it was not a mission related to hunting corrupted beasts, a life-or-death crisis could still be involved.

Yet, many of them were ready to take up the mission. Since it was an investigation mission, compared to previous death rates, this mission seemed less dangerous.

Not only that, but the reward of the Grade-6 Breathing Method attracted them. The Breathing Method would definitely make their families stronger.

So many people were showing interest. Since it was a Tier-6 Mission, the media got wind of it and started reporting on the matter.

It didn't take long for the news to become a hot topic of discussion among the public. It entered the conversation of locals.

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## Shadow Moon Chamber

Jeremy walked out of the practice room. He immediately went to take a bath. The bath lasted for 20 minutes.

He came outside and changed into casual clothes.

As usual, he sat on the sofa and started going through the online news. The breaking news about the Tier-6 Mission caught his attention.

He became curious and clicked on it. The article appeared on the feed, and he began to read it.

His eyes flickered a few minutes later.

He didn't expect the Beast Taming Association to release such a mission. It was a pity that only Tier-6 Beast Tamers and above could attempt it.

It was specifically mentioned, so he couldn't take this mission up. But the surprising fact was that the mission was an investigation type.

The mission type was technically suitable for everyone, as it was just to collect information. Jeremy thought that further details regarding the mission would likely be given after accepting it.

But the specific mention of the qualified people made him raise his eyebrows. It showed that the dangers involved in this mission were significant.

Jeremy then collected his thoughts and closed the page. Even if he liked the mission, he couldn't do it because he was going to the 5th Zone this weekend.

He was preparing for that. When it came to the mission, there were a lot of powerful beast tamers ready to take it up anyway.

So, he decided not to think about it.

Meanwhile,

The other members of the Shadow Moon Chamber were discussing the mission. The Tier-6 Beast Tamers were basically elders here.

To think a Tier-6 Mission had appeared! The Tier-5 and Tier-4 Beast Tamers were surprised. The mission reward was disclosed as well.

They didn't know whether any elder from their organization was going to take the mission.

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## Head Office

Neil Moon was watching the news channel. The media was reporting about the Tier-6 Mission and the reward. His old eyes flickered.

From the reward itself, he could tell that one of the big forces had requested the mission from the Beast Taming Association.

And the Beast Taming Association had accepted the request. He thought that other veterans could likely see through the mission as well.

Neil tried to recall whether any major incident had happened recently that he didn't know about. If he could recall something, he might be able to tell which organization was behind the mission.

As time went by, he couldn't recall any major incidents, so he was confused. He decided to talk to Head Harold Red.

Chapter 604: Pulsating Green Fruit

## Shadow Moon Chamber

The following day,

Jeremy Night came outside for a morning walk. While walking on the footpath, he found that there were others who were doing their morning walks.

He heard their conversation. He couldn't help but raise his eyebrows because they were talking about the Tier-6 Mission.

It was the same Tier-6 Mission which was released by the Beast Taming Association on their mission board yesterday.

He was surprised to know that no one had accepted the mission so far.

"Interesting," Jeremy uttered.

Because he knew the mission reward was a Grade-6 Breathing Method. It was really tempting.

If not the normal members, the Beast Tamers from the Beast Taming Families should be interested in the breathing method.

He was shocked to hear that. Even they were not sending people to accept the mission. This further increased the mystery behind the mission.

As he continued walking, he could hear more and more conversations. Everyone was gossiping about the Tier-6 mission.

Everyone wanted to know why no one was accepting the mission. Jeremy just heard all of this conversation, but he didn't make any comment.

About 10 minutes later,

He returned to the building. Then he made his way towards his room. After reaching the room, he closed the door and went to take a cold shower.

He spent 20 minutes in the bath. Then he walked out and changed into comfortable clothes. Like always, he had decided to follow the schedule.

Before going to the practice room, he decided to rest in bed.

He took his digital device out and started going through the online news. The information about the Tier-6 Mission appeared.

Seeing that, he raised his eyebrows. All the news media here were reporting on this mission. He decided to go through other online articles.

He started searching for the 5th Zone. There were a few articles about the 5th Zone, but he decided to read the few online articles available.

Time went by,

After going through the online articles, he was able to learn about the 5th Zone. The cities in the 5th Zone were larger than other zones' cities.

City A alone was many times larger in landmass than the 10th Zone City A here. There were many beast taming forces, including the Beast Taming Families and other organizations.

The organizations there were different. In the article, it was mentioned that there were open conflicts between the various forces there.

The big forces there had someone in the Human Alliance as well. So, the people from the Human Alliance would come there to resolve the conflicts.

Jeremy was shocked. He still underestimated the faction fights. He didn't expect the faction fights in the 5th Zone would be this serious.

He didn't know what kind of challenges awaited him.

He then closed the page and stood up. Then he walked into the practice room. He closed the door. He came into the middle and unsheathed his blade.

Then he started using the blade to execute "Blade One: Move."

As time passed, his footwork and blade moves worked seamlessly. If there was a target here, he could do the target practice.

Right now, he could only do it in his imagination.

Time went by,

He was getting more and more into the intermediate level. Once he got fully into the intermediate level, then his blade skill would become more and more powerful.

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Central University 10

Dean Parker was in his office room. He was in a bad mood. He had thought someone would accept the Tier-6 Mission from the Beast Taming Association.

But no one had accepted the mission so far. Dean Parker was angry. He didn't have much time. The families of the deceased were getting impatient.

He had already told them about the Beast Taming Association. They were relaxed at first, but they had started calling him again.

So he was confused why no one had accepted the mission so far. "Was the reward not enough?" Dean Parker asked himself.

The more he thought over it, he thought that the reward was not enough. He believed that people would think there was something wrong with the mission.

That's why the reward was set high. Otherwise, he would have already added more rewards. But he thought it was necessary to add more rewards now.

He believed there would be greedy Beast Tamers who would definitely accept the mission. His eyes flickered. He started thinking about the rewards.

Since it was a Tier-6 Mission, there would be Tier-6 Beast Tamers interested in it. He had offered a Grade-6 Breathing Method already.

This time he decided to use something which would help the lifeline beast of the Tier-6 Beast Tamer.

Dean Parker's eyes sharpened. He checked his storage ring. It was a pulsating green fruit. The green fruit was not an ordinary fruit.

Dean Parker continued to look at the green fruit. The pulsating green fruit was one of his prized possessions. He got three similar fruits during his prime days while exploring the unexplored land.

He had already used two of them on his own lifeline beast. The second fruit was not effective after consuming the first one.

So the third fruit won't be effective for him. He decided to offer the green pulsating fruit as an additional reward.

The grade of the fruit was unknown. But he knew the benefits of the fruit. It will trigger the bloodline power of the lifeline beast.

The lifeline beast has a chance to increase its bloodline power. Once it succeeded, the lifeline beast would become stronger.

In return, the Beast Tamer would gain the benefits as well. Dean Parker's eyes flickered.

One of the reasons he was able to become Dean of Central University 10 was the fruit. So he believes this will definitely attract the Beast Tamers to accept the mission.

Suddenly, he thought of one more thing. He decided to remove the qualification for the mission. He had previously told only Tier-6 Beast Tamers and above could accept the mission.

He was going to remove it so that everyone could participate. But the reward will be given to the person or a team whose information is correct and important.

Chapter 605: Registration Frenzy

Central University 10

Dean Parker knew that there was only one fruit and one Grade-6 Breathing Method. It was up to the team to make a decision. Ultimately, the fruit would be consumed by one person.

He thought they could sell it to other forces for money. He doubted anyone would know about the fruit. He decided not to reveal information about it.

Otherwise, the people from the Human Alliance could force him to hand over the fruit and change the reward.

"Harumph!"

He gave a cold snort in his heart. He knew that the Human Alliance was not all that good. Only strength mattered here.

He then decided to call and inform the head of the Beast Taming Association. He was glad that the other person was not making things difficult for him.

He was hoping that he would succeed this time.

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Beast Taming Association

One hour later,

The information on the mission board changed. The Tier-6 mission description and reward information changed.

There was additional information in it. In that mission description, it was added that anyone could accept the mission. There was no limit for the participants.

But the rewards would be given to the person or team whose information was correct and important.

In the reward section, there was information about the additional reward. The information about the green pulsating fruit was given.

But no additional information was provided about it. They didn't know what the uses of the pulsating green fruit were.

The staff and the beast tamers gathered there were looking at the mission board. The news about the changes spread across the building.

The Beast Taming Association Building was big. The staff and the members who were going about their business were taken aback.

They immediately rushed towards the mission board again. One after another, the Beast Tamers gathered in front of the mission board.

In the blink of an eye, more than a hundred Beast Tamers appeared. This sudden influx of people into the room shocked the staff and other higher-ups.

For a second, they didn't know what was happening there.

But the Tier-6 Beast Tamers were not the only ones there. The Tier-5, Tier-4, and other lower-tier beast tamers gathered there as well.

Everyone then realized that the limit on mission participation was removed; anyone could participate in the mission now.

Not only that, but a new reward was added as well. Everyone quickly forgot about the new participation rules. Their attention shifted to the new reward.

Only the name of the fruit was given. It was called "Green Fruit." It was a general name. They didn't know what the use of it was.

They suspected it was not the real name of the fruit. If there were a real name, they could find the benefits of the fruit.

But people with discerning eyes could tell that the fruit was not ordinary, but important. Since it was given for a Tier-6 Mission, the fruit could be at least a Grade-6 fruit.

Such treasures are important for Tier-6 Beast Tamers and their lifeline beasts.

Gasp!

Suddenly, a commotion occurred. The Tier-5 Beast Tamers were now interested in the mission as well. They forgot about the danger surrounding the mission.

Compared to the situation earlier, there were more people ready to give their names because the restrictions were removed.

Then and there, teams of Tier-6 Beast Tamers started registering their names. They knew that rewards could not be equally divided among the teams.

But they could sell it for profit. Then, they would divide the money among the members. So many Beast Tamers were ready to do the mission as a team.

There were a few Beast Tamers who were extremely greedy. They didn't want to divide the rewards. They wanted to keep them to themselves.

So, they started giving their names as well.

On the other hand, some of the Tier-5 Beast Tamers didn't want to let go of the chance. The rewards were useful for the future.

They might not have had the strength of their Tier-6 seniors, but they could make up for it with additional members. They could form a large team for the mission.

Since it was a mission about collecting intelligence, a big team was needed. So, the need for strength was not the priority here.

If any unwanted situation arose, they could fight as one team.

It didn't take long for the news to become sensational. The news channels and the locals learned about the changes as well.

Even the Beast Taming Families who were not interested in this type of mission earlier were changing their minds now.

The rewards were tempting for them as well. It didn't take long for Beast Taming Teams from these families to visit the Beast Taming Association for registration.

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Meanwhile,

Dean Parker learned about the development from the media. The media was reporting about it. A bright smile appeared on his face.

He was right. There were more greedy people than he had imagined. He also did right by not giving information on the green fruit.

This made the people curious. They were giving their names because of it.

He also did right by removing the limit. According to the news, big teams of Tier-5 Beast Tamers were registering their names.

Suddenly, his expression became serious. The first part was over. But he thought that the second part was difficult.

He would send details regarding the mission. He would disclose the mysterious murder of the students by unknown people.

He didn't know how many of them would still stick to investigating the mission. He thought that if more people gave their names, then at least a few of them would consider it.

He had already done what he could. Even if the plan failed, he would then contact headquarters.

He sighed thinking about it.

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Shadow Moon Chamber

There was chaos inside the building. Nothing bad happened, but the news of the Tier-6 Mission made them dumbfounded.

The members had been following the news with great attention. They didn't know how long the mission would stay on the mission board or who would accept it.

Yet the current news set off storms in their hearts.

Chapter 606: Part 1: Departure

Shadow Moon Chamber

That evening, Jeremy Night came outside for an evening walk. He had been following his schedule daily. He would leave the place in two days.

So he didn't want to waste time in between. After coming out, he phoned Sinag and Ada. He wanted to tell them in person.

Shortly afterwards,

Both Sinag and Ada came outside. Both of them were discussing the Tier-6 Mission of the Beast Taming Association.

As they came towards him, he heard their mumbling as well. He was stunned. He had heard about the Tier-6 Mission during the morning walk.

Now he was hearing about the Tier-6 mission again. He was curious and asked, "What's going on with the Tier-6 Mission?"

Ada and Sinag looked at each other. Their eyes were curious.

"The whole city was talking about it. Where have you been?" Ada asked.

"I was using the training room," Jeremy replied.

Hearing that. Ada and Sinag's mouths twitched.

"You don't have any idea about what happened. It was a major development." After saying that, Sinag started telling him about the new changes in the Tier-6 Mission.

Including, the participants' limit removal and additional reward information.

A few minutes later,

Jeremy Night was taken aback. He didn't expect so many things to happen. He didn't even know about it.

The additional reward mentioned by Sinag caught his attention.

"Green fruit," Jeremy thought.

He didn't know why he thought that fruit was not ordinary. It could be a Grade-6 Fruit.

Sinag and Ada saw Jeremy Night's expression. They both thought he was showing some interest in the mission.

"Don't even think about accepting the mission," Ada said from the side.

Right then, they started their evening walk along the footpath. Jeremy heard her words and turned towards Ada and Sinag.

"Most of the Beast Tamers are registering for the mission. Including the Tier-6 and Tier-5 Beast Tamers," Ada said.

"I heard that Beast Taming Families have sent their teams to accept the mission," Sinag said.

"The competition is severe. But the rewards will be given to the team or person whose information is correct and deemed important," she added.

"So even if you collect the information, there is no guarantee that you will get the rewards," Ada said in a serious tone.

Jeremy, while walking on the footpath, was listening to their words. He didn't have any intention of accepting the mission in the first place. He then decided to reveal the news to them.

He said, "I'm going to the 5th Zone in two days. The head from the 5th Branch summoned me. I'm going to work and live there."

Gasp!

Ada let out a small exclamation. Sinag was stunned as well. Both of them stopped right there. They looked at Jeremy Night with surprise.

"When did this happen?" Sinag asked.

Her eyes were filled with surprise.

"Yesterday. I was planning to tell you guys soon. But the Tier-6 Mission has caught everyone's attention," Jeremy said to them.

"You are close to becoming a Tier-3 Beast Tamer. Even still, don't be complacent. I heard the size of the 5th Zone was large. The forces there were numerous," Ada said in a serious tone.

"Not only that, the competition there would be serious. Maybe you were called there for an important matter. So don't take it as enjoyment," Sinag warned in a solemn tone.

Jeremy looked at both of them. He knew both of them were serious. They have more experience than him.

He took their advice seriously in his heart. There is a reason why he wanted to go there. It's for the rich resources. He wanted to hatch his unknown egg lifeline beast.

But he couldn't tell them these things.

"Don't worry, I'll watch my back," Jeremy said to them.

Then they resumed their evening walk. But the topic had changed to something else. Sinag and Ada were sharing their experiences of the top 5 zones.

Each zone and its challenges were different. Especially the challenge related to the corrupted beasts.

Jeremy had firsthand experience in the 9th zone. He knew the corrupted beasts of other places were different.

About 16 minutes later,

They returned to the building. After entering, they didn't part ways. They came to the seating area.

The three of them sat down and started chatting. Since Jeremy was going to leave for the 5th Zone, he wanted to spend time with the two seniors.

They started chatting. At the same time, there were members who were going about their business.

There were Beast Taming Teams from the Shadow Moon Chamber who had accepted the Tier-6 Mission as well.

When the three of them heard about it, they were not surprised. The rewards were rare and expensive.

About 20 minutes later,

They stood up and parted ways. Jeremy returned to his room. After reaching the room, he went to take a shower.

After coming out, he changed into normal clothes. He sat on the sofa. He took the device out and checked the online news.

Then he saw the online news feed was filled with the Tier-6 Mission information. If not for the immediate trip to the 5th zone, he would have tried to accept the mission.

After going through some articles, he turned off the device and went back to sleep.

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Central University 10

Instructor Wyatt and Dolly heard about the registration frenzy at the Beast Taming Association. The sudden changes in the mission came as a surprise to them.

Many Beast Tamers were giving their names. They were interested in the reward as well.

They were curious about the green fruit reward. They didn't know what the green fruit was. But they believed that it could be a Grade-6 Fruit.

Otherwise, Dean Parker wouldn't have placed it as a reward.

Not only were they thinking like that, but the other instructors in the University were shocked as well.

Unfortunately, they couldn't do anything about it. They didn't have the courage to ask Dean Parker. They could only wait for someone to complete the mission.

Then they would inquire details from them. So the instructors put aside the matter for now.

Chapter 607: Part 2: Departure

10th Zone, City-A

The Beast Tamers who accepted the Tier-6 Mission from the mission board had left the area. They had already started their work.

A large number of people entered the wilderness. They went to the same site where the murdered students had been buried.

They found other corpses as well. They dug up those bodies and stored them inside containers, intending to hand the corpses back to Central University.

Even if they failed to collect information, they could still get rewards for the corpses. They knew the Beast Taming Families behind the deceased would not forget their help.

While some of them started looking for the corpses, others were genuinely interested in the investigation.

For example, there were Beast Tamers whose talents related to scouting and surveillance. They were working hard to collect information.

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Meanwhile,

Dean Parker had succeeded with his plan. So many people were undertaking the mission. He didn't know when the results would come in.

However, he was able to convince the Beast Taming Families. The families were relieved, believing that their family members' corpses could be found.

The other forces were curious about the mission as well. They didn't know about the client behind the mission.

The information was only known to the Head of the Beast Taming Association. The Head of the Beast Taming Association received calls from the heads of many forces.

But the Head of the Beast Taming Association refused to tell them. He knew why these families were calling him.

Everyone was interested in the reward, but he didn't even know what it was. When he asked Dean Parker about the reward, Parker refused to tell him.

He got angry in the moment, but then he recalled that Central University was as powerful as the Beast Taming Association.

He thought it must be an instruction from the higher-ups. Otherwise, he believed Dean Parker would have told him.

So, he didn't disturb Dean Parker. However, he kept receiving constant calls. Everyone thought he was the one refusing to tell them.

A day later,

The Head of the Beast Taming Association received a call from Headquarters. The news had reached their ears already.

He immediately told them what he knew from Dean Parker, including the information about the reward.

The higher-ups believed him. They, too, thought that Central University's Headquarters was involved in this matter. So, the higher-ups didn't bother to dig further into the matter.

The Head of the Beast Taming Association sighed in relief. He was worried that the higher-ups would scold him and force him to reveal some information.

Fortunately, that did not happen.

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Meanwhile,

The Beast Tamers recovered more than 20 corpses. They were all handed back to Central University 10.

Dean Parker and other instructors gave them rewards. Although the reward was not any treasure, it was credit points.

The Beast Taming Families started giving them credit points as well.

While this was going on, the media was reporting on the deaths. It was disclosed that someone or a group had murdered the students.

The mission was about finding their information. The locals and other small and medium-sized forces were terrified.

For them, Central University 10 was one of the top forces. No one dared to offend them. But someone had caused this much trouble; it must be another top force.

But they didn't know which force it was. The heads of various forces were shocked as well. The Head of the Beast Taming Association knew the crisis was severe. But he never expected it to be this severe.

Dean Parker refused to tell the reason. Now, he knew why. He was sure that it was not them.

Then who targeted Central University 10? Many of the students who graduated from Central University are part of the Human Alliance.

He realized that the matter was going to turn into something big.

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Shadow Moon Chamber

The following day,

Jeremy Night woke up early. He got out of bed and started his morning routine. Today was the day he was going to leave the 10th Zone.

A new journey awaited him.

After completing his morning routine, he went to take a shower. He spent 20 minutes in the bathroom. Then, he walked out and changed into fresh clothes, though not his uniform.

After doing that, he started to get ready. He began to pack his things. Most of the items were already inside his storage ring.

An hour later,

He walked out of the room and closed the door. He took his keys and headed towards Leader Gisela's room.

When he got there, the door was open. He walked inside and found Leader Gisela was already there.

He immediately greeted her. Gisela knew Jeremy Night would come because it was the day he was departing for the 5th Zone.

She looked at him and said, "When I first recruited you from the 14th Zone, I didn't expect you to progress this fast. Not only did you contribute during the Beast Invasion..."

"You have completed many important missions as well," she added.

Jeremy Night smiled and said, "Leader, it's all because of you and Head Neil Moon's support. Even Seniors Sinag and Ada helped me a lot."

He then thought of something. Although he had already informed his parents, he decided to contact them again before leaving.

He spoke with Leader Gisela about it. While they were discussing it, Head Neil Moon called her.

Gisela answered the call. She heard that Head Neil Moon wanted to meet Jeremy Night before he left for the 5th Zone.

She ended the call and turned towards Jeremy Night.

"Head Neil Moon wants to see you. You can go see him now." After saying that, she took out a ticket and gave it to him.

Jeremy accepted the ticket.

She then said, "I sent you the map of the 5th Zone, as well as some important information about the distribution of forces there."

Hearing that, Jeremy thanked her before collecting the ticket into his storage ring.

Chapter 608: Part 3: Departure

10th Zone, City-A

Head Office:

Jeremy Night arrived at the office. He found the door open, so he walked in. Head Neil Moon was on a phone call, speaking to someone.

Upon seeing him, Head Neil signaled with his eyes for him to sit down. Jeremy walked up to the chair and took a seat.

Head Neil Moon stayed on the call for a few more minutes. He then ended the call and turned towards Jeremy Night.

"Are you ready?" Neil Moon asked. "The flight is in two hours. I'm going to drop you at the airport," he added.

Hearing that, Jeremy Night was surprised. He didn't expect Head Neil to drop him off personally. They chatted for a few minutes before leaving the building.

A few minutes later, both of them entered the flying car. The vehicle departed and began moving towards the airport.

Jeremy sent a text message to Sinag and Ada. He also messaged Leader Gisela.

He didn't know when he would come back next. Jeremy had already spoken to his parents about this matter. They were in shock, but he assured them that he would be alright.

It didn't take long for the flying cab to reach the airport. After arriving, the two of them stepped out, and the cab left.

Both of them then walked into the airport.

"I'm sure Gisela must have given you information about the 5th Zone. Read it during your journey; it will be helpful," Neil said.

"More importantly, internal fights are common there, so the crime rates are high. You will find Beast Tamers killing each other."

"Take your time to understand the place first. If you face any problems, tell Harold everything. He will help you out," Neil advised. "If you find yourself being pressured, you can return here at any time. Our door is always open for you."

"If not for the abundant opportunities in the 5th Zone, I wouldn't have been ready to send you there," he added.

Hearing that, Jeremy Night felt grateful. He once again thanked Head Neil. His fate had changed because of two women.

One was Lord Martha from the Human Alliance, who gave him the unknown Lifeline Beast egg.

The second person was Leader Gisela. She had recruited him from Central University. Once again, an opportunity had opened up for him.

Neil Moon knew that Jeremy Night could take care of himself. He thought the kid had enough exposure; Jeremy had contributed during the Three Beast Invasion incident in three different zones.

That was why he believed Jeremy could adapt to the 5th Zone.

As the seconds went by, they continued to chat. Neil Moon shared his experiences, knowing there was still time before the flight arrived. He decided to fill Jeremy's mind with knowledge.

While they were talking, Jeremy couldn't help but think of the Tier-6 Mission. Since they were having a nice conversation, he wanted to ask about it. He wanted to know what Head Neil Moon thought.

Neil Moon noticed Jeremy's reaction. "What's bothering you?" he asked.

Jeremy asked, "Head, what do you think about the Tier-6 Mission? Almost all of the Beast Tamers accepted the mission."

Neil Moon was not surprised. He knew about the changes in the Tier-6 Mission, especially the limit removal and additional rewards. He realized that Jeremy Night would have accepted the mission if not for the current trip to the 5th Zone.

His eyes flashed with seriousness. "The Central University is one of the top forces of the Human Alliance. Who do you think had the courage to do this?"

Jeremy Night was silent. This was the thing that had been bothering him. In fact, he had an idea, but he refused to believe it.

Neil Moon saw through Jeremy. "You can tell me your thoughts. I'm going to see whether you can survive in the 5th Zone or not."

Jeremy raised his eyebrows and said, "If someone could target the Central University, then they must be a similar top force. But I'm wondering why they would target Central University."

A hint of approval flashed in Neil Moon's eyes. "You are right. You can survive in the 5th Zone. I told you about the internal fights earlier. I think the reason behind the Tier-6 Mission was an internal fight as well."

"I think Dean Parker must have known about this. But it's possible that he didn't know which force it was. That's why he used the Beast Taming Association for this mission," Neil added.

Jeremy Night's eyes glinted with understanding. He thought he was right in his assumption. He had already come across internal fighting before going to the 5th Zone.

They talked about a few other things until it was time for the flight.

Head Neil Moon stopped talking. He had already told Head Harold about Jeremy's departure.

He looked at Jeremy and said, "There will be someone there to pick you up at the airport."

"Okay," Jeremy replied.

When it was time for him to board, he bid goodbye to Head Neil Moon and turned around to leave.

A few minutes later, he arrived at the flight. He saw that the passengers had started boarding one after another.

He joined the line, showed his pass, and entered the aircraft. He quickly found his seat number and sat down.

The flight's body was long and fortified so that no corrupted sky bird beasts could attack it.

The passengers on the flight were Beast Tamers. There were Tier-6 Beast Tamers as well.

Jeremy could differentiate the aura because he had seen Tier-5 and Tier-6 Beast Tamers before.

It was rare to see Tier-6 Beast Tamers in public, but he thought he would get used to it soon.

It didn't take long for the seats to fill up. Shortly afterwards, the flight took off and started heading towards the destination.

Jeremy Night had expectations in his heart. He saw the sight of the airport and the city. He didn't know when he was going to come back again.

Chapter 609: Part 4: Departure

10th Zone, City-A

Head Neil Moon came back to the organization after sending off Jeremy Night.

He was worried that Jeremy Night could get involved in internal fights because Jeremy's strength was still Tier-2.

Even at Tier-3, there was a risk of dying there. However, he knew that Jeremy Night was clever.

He could already see something wrong with the Tier-6 Mission here, so he thought Jeremy would be safe in the 5th Zone.

Meanwhile, Leader Gisela received the text message. After reading it, she informed Jeremy Night's parents. They asked her to update them on the details regarding Jeremy Night.

But in the 5th Zone, they didn't know whom to contact. Gisela assured them that Jeremy Night would find a way and would be in touch with them as well.

Ron and Nora Night calmed down. They were professional. They knew about their son's secret, which even Leader Gisela wasn't aware of.

Both of them thought that Jeremy Night was going to the 5th Zone because of the abundant resources. Once their son's lifeline beast hatched, he could be like other top Beast Tamers.

They didn't tell Gisela about this matter, and then they ended the call.

On the other hand, the serious Sinag and Ada read the text messages as well. They knew Jeremy Night was going to leave; they had discussed this last evening.

Still, they felt somewhat empty. Their former team was no more. Jeremy Night was the only male remaining, and now he had left the organization as well.

But they didn't take it negatively. They knew Jeremy Night was growing fast. He would soon become a powerful Beast Tamer.

The Beast Tamers of the city were busy doing their missions. Most of them were doing the Tier-6 Mission, while the rest were doing missions selected from the mission board.

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Meanwhile

The long, fortified aircraft coursed through the air. The journey to the 5th Zone is going to be several days. The pilots had strict instructions.

They could neither go faster nor slower. They had a set speed for the long flight. There was a reason for these instructions.

The landmass between the 10th and 5th Zones was large. They had to go over the cities of other zones.

There was a great risk in the journey. The other zones were surrounded by wilderness. Each of the corrupted beasts in the wilderness was different.

Some of them were Sky Bird type corrupted beasts. The flights had problems with Sky Birds. In most cases, the bird beasts ignored them.

But there were corrupted beasts that attacked the flight out of curiosity. That was why the flights had at least Tier-6 Beast Tamers as captains.

In times of emergency, they emerged to fight against the Tier-6 Sky Bird beasts. It was rare for birds above Tier-6 to attack the flights.

It had happened before, but it was rare. However, when it did happen, none of the passengers were able to survive.

So, the pilots still had fear in their hearts. That was why they were given instructions to travel a specific route.

If they flew near the cities, the corrupted beasts wouldn't attack them, or the city guards would come to help at any time. Even if a Sky Bird appeared, the city governors would drive it away.

Meanwhile, Jeremy Night was sitting in his seat. He had closed his eyes and was listening to the conversations of the people around him.

His senses were strong to begin with. He could hear everyone's murmurs clearly. He was using his senses now to collect valuable information.

Most of them were business people going to the 5th Zone. Only a few of them had other purposes like him, so their chit-chat was leaking some valuable information.

He was able to learn about the distribution of forces and their current conflicts.

Jeremy had the information given by Leader Gisela, but he didn't plan to read it here. He was going to do that after reaching the location.

For the time being, the gossip of the people was enough.

Suddenly, he heard one particular conversation which caught his attention. It was between two female Tier-5 Beast Tamers. They were past middle age.

The two female Beast Tamers were discussing the change in climatic conditions. On their flight path, they could face a storm.

They were discussing whether the pilot would avoid the storm and immediately change direction, or if he would go through it.

If he chose to go through it, it would cause more danger. The Sky Bird beasts would be irritated by the storm. If they found out why a flight was coming out of the storm, they would attack the aircraft.

So, the Tier-5 female Beast Tamers were worried.

Jeremy Night's heart sank. He didn't know why he had to listen to their conversation. He heard such shocking news, though he didn't know how much truth was in it.

But he noticed they were Tier-5 Beast Tamers. The way they were talking, it didn't appear that they were from the 10th Zone.

He was confused. He continued to listen to their conversations to learn more.

Meanwhile, in the cockpit, the pilots received information about the upcoming storm. Both pilots got nervous. The storm situation was rare as well.

They didn't expect to meet one. Unfortunately, they couldn't divert the route. If they did that, there was a greater risk of encountering corrupted beasts.

Then there would be no chance for them to escape. At least on the set route, they could contact the Beast Tamers of the city.

Both pilots decided to go through the storm. If their plan were known to the passengers, they would be terrified.

As time went by, dark clouds could be seen on their path. Heavy rain started pouring all of a sudden. The long, fortified aircraft went through the clouds.

From time to time, there was lightning. Passengers heard the sound of thunder.

Meanwhile, Jeremy Night's heart was in turmoil. He had heard the words of the female Beast Tamers earlier.

Now both of their words had come true. They were indeed going to encounter the storm.

Chapter 610: Eye of the storm

Journey

The passengers started panicking. They were not dumb; all of them were experienced Beast Tamers. They could see that the plane was going to enter the thick clouds.

Already, there was loud thunder and lightning. Now, the plane was going to face the storm. The storm was powerful, even though the plane was fortified.

The storms could damage the plane. Some of the Beast Tamers were veterans. They knew that storms could irritate the flying type of corrupted beasts.

Consequently, they were more afraid of the bird type corrupted beasts.

If the flight were to face any damage, they could face attacks from the corrupted beasts as well.

On the other hand, Jeremy Night's heart was racing faster. On one hand, he was watching the terrifying scene outside.

At the same time, he could hear the conversation of the people around him. Everyone was talking about the powerful storms.

He heard about the threat of the corrupted beasts. Even he couldn't help but feel that something bad was about to happen. Both of his palms were covered in sweat.

He didn't know what was going to happen next.

Meanwhile, the pilots were carefully operating the flight. The storm was destabilizing the plane. Their expressions were grim.

But they were following the instructions. Just as the plane got near the eye of the storm, a powerful bolt of lightning came out of nowhere and struck the plane.

Boom!

The fortified plane withstood the lightning attack.

It was just starting. The flight got closer to the eye of the storm than before. One lightning bolt after another attacked the plane.

Even the fortified plane could only withstand a certain number of attacks. Both pilots were terrified.

They didn't expect this number of lightning attacks.

Boom!

Suddenly, one of the engines blew. The wing was covered in flames.

The pilots were terrified. They had to make an important decision.

"Land the flight now," one of the pilots said.

Hearing that, the second pilot agreed. Both of them continued to operate the plane. One of the plane's engines was working; the second one was burning.

Shortly afterwards, the long plane moved downwards, away from the eye of the storm.

They were going to land the plane on ground located in the middle of nowhere.

Meanwhile, Jeremy Night's heart raced again. He didn't expect one of the engines to explode. It happened all of a sudden.

The other passengers were truly in a panic. They didn't expect one of the engines to go out either.

The passengers were Beast Tamers, so they quickly calmed down and began to notice the situation outside.

Seeing that the plane was heading towards the ground, they relaxed. Since they were Beast Tamers, they could fight against the corrupted beasts.

Jeremy Night heard their conversation. His eyebrows relaxed. He thought the seniors were right; they had to land on the ground safely first.

Boom!

The loud thunder and lightning continued to crash in the sky, providing some illumination.

Everyone could see there was a thick forest on the ground. The plane was going to land on this canopy.

Since it was a fortified plane, the damage was not going to be big. But they had to get ready to face the corrupted beasts.

Boom!

The long, fortified plane touched down on the ground. It was a heavy landing.

An explosion occurred. The long plane dragged forward due to the impact. The nearby forests and vegetation were uprooted by the force.

Everyone inside the flight felt the impact, but none of them were injured. They were able to withstand the force.

Jeremy Night was a Tier-2 Beast Tamer. The rest of them were stronger than him. They were immediately able to calm themselves down.

But he needed some time to withstand the powerful force. The impact shook his internal organs and bones.

The flight came to a halt a few minutes later. The other Beast Tamers were fine.

Thud!

The long plane stopped. Everyone felt relaxed. The next second, the staff opened the exit door. One after another, the passengers walked out of the cabin.

The staff also felt the impact force, but fortunately, none of them faced any danger. They were able to protect themselves.

Not only that, but there were no children among the passengers, so there were no casualties.

Jeremy came to the exit door. He walked out next. He then came to the ground outside and stood among the other passengers.

There was a heavy downpour of rain. Everyone was drenched in rain. Loud thunderclaps could be heard, and lightning could be seen from time to time.

Jeremy swept his gaze across the passengers. Then the last team came to the ground. The pilots and staff teams exited the door.

Now the whole plane was empty. One of the engines was still burning. The other engine was turned off.

Jeremy had been watching the whole thing. He counted the number of Beast Tamers; there were more than 50. There were 2 pilots.

The staff crew consisted of ten people. Everyone was safe.

Yet the danger was not over. The passengers and the crew started clapping upon seeing the pilots. They were worried that the pilots would go through the eye of the storm.

They didn't know whether it was good or bad, but one of the engines was damaged, which forced the pilots to land on the ground.

Jeremy heard their claps. His eyesight was better than the others. He saw the faces of both pilots were grim.

"It appears the danger is not over yet," Jeremy thought.

Then he took his gaze off the pilots and started looking around the surroundings. His gaze became deeper.

His eyes were scanning the dense forest. He was not the only one doing that. Some clever Beast Tamers summoned their lifeline beasts.

The lifeline beasts could sense danger better than them. If any corrupted beasts appeared nearby, they would know.

Jeremy Night saw no corrupted beasts whatsoever. Yet he didn't give up. He began to use his Second Eye ability.

The big trees became transparent. He could see through the big trees. The whole area behind it became clear.