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6.1/1A INT. ADI'S ROOM /TEJ'S OFFICE. DAY.

6.1/1A

Aarya is checking Adi's fever with a digital thermometer while Poonam is sponging him. Aarya's phone rings. She takes the call while reading the temperature.

We intercut between Aarya's home and Tej's office.

AARYA

(while comforting Adi)

Hello...Haan bol...

JAWAHAR (O.S.)

(urgency in tone)

Abhi office aa jaa. Bhot gadbad ho gayi hai.

AARYA

Nahi Nahi..abhi nahi aa sakti

Aarya looks worried. Adi has sensed that his mother may have to leave. He holds her hand while Aarya's is still on the phone.

ADI

Mamma... Please... Mat jao.

JAWAHAR

Transport nahin ho paayega Aarya.

AARYA

(while comforting Adi)

Kyun?

JAWAHAR

(irritated)

Phone pe sawaal mat kar. Mil jadi. Mera dimaag kaam nahin kar rahaa hai.

AARYA

(while comforting Adi)

Acha main Thodi der main Nikal rahi hoon

JAWAHAR

Jaldi aaja

AARYA

Okay

Aarya hangs up the phone. She ties her hair and picks up her purse while instructing Poonam.

AARYA (CONT'D)

Fever check karte rahna. 102 se upar ho toh mujhe turant phone karna.

She bends over to kiss Adi.

AARYA (CONT'D)

Mamma yun gayi aur yun aayi.

As she leaves, we stay on Adi's pale face.

6.2/2A INT. TEJ'S OFFICE. DAY.

6.2/2A

We enter Tej's office with Aarya, looking anxious and rushed. Jawahar is sitting on her/Tej's chair while RAJAN, an official in mid 50's, sits in front, sipping chai. Jawahar gets up when he sees Aarya walks in. Rajan follows suit, grinning ear to ear.

RAJAN

Badi khushi huyi aapse milke Bhabhiji.

Aarya acknowledges Rajan with a faint smile and then pulls Jawahar aside.

AARYA

(whispers)

Abhi ye meeting zaruri thi? Adi ko bukhaar hai Jawahar.

JAWAHAR

(whispers through clenched teeth)

Maine kahaa tha is dhande mein ghusne ko?

Jawahar then points towards Rajan.

JAWAHAR (CONT'D)

Inland Container Depot mein Rajan jee hi kaam sambhaalte the hamara. Guru the hamare ye... Customs mein.

Aarya looks at Jawahar questioningly.

AARYA

Guru?

JAWAHAR

Bataya toh tha tujhe Aarya... (to Rajan) Madam ko yaad hi nahin rahta kuch.

Aarya doesn't like Jawahar's mansplaining, but she keeps her calm.

AARYA

Rajan jee, aap hi bata deejiye.

RAJAN

Madam kayi saal se aap log ka maal nikalwa raha hoon. Maal kab load hoga, kitne baje niklega... aapke containeron ke number munh jabaani yaad hain. Safe entry, exit... sab main hi manage karta tha... Isliye Tej jee mujhe Guru bulaate the.

JAWAHAR

Khan ne suspend karwa diya hai...

RAJAN

Bataiye, sting operation karwa diya mera...

Aarya cuts him in between and begins to step out of the chamber.

AARYA

Ye toh bahut bura hua Rajan jee. Ye sab baat apne tak hi rakhiyega. Chai pee ke jaaiyega, haan?

She walks out, leaving a stunned Rajan behind. Jawahar follows her. They both walk through the factory.

AARYA (CONT'D)

Suspended hai ye. Kya help karega hamari?

JAWAHAR

Vohi toh keh rahaa hoon. Iske bina nahin ho sakta transport. Aur agar ek aadmi bhi pakda gaya, toh poori transport line pe scanner aa jayega. Naya route dhoondhna padega.

AARYA

Kaam nahin rukega, Jawahar.

JAWAHAR

Bacchon ka khel lagta hai tanne? Pahle naye logon ki list nikaalo, phir pata karo kisko apni beti ya behan ki shaadi karni hai, kiski Maa ko cancer hai, kisko paise chahiye... Phir saala ye dekho ki aadmi bharose ke laayak hai ki nahin, tab dheere dheere pataana shuru karo...

Aarya stops and looks straight into Jawahar's eyes.

AARYA

Main business laaungi, tu transport manage karega - yahi baat huyi thi na hamari?

JAWAHAR

Badi jaldi hai tujhe transport karwaane ki. Aisa kaun sa pressure aa gayaa achaanak? Kiska maal hai?

AARYA

Tujhe jaanane ki zaroorat nahin hai. Main apna kaam kar rahi hoon, tu apna kar.

JAWAHAR

Jo kaand ho rakhaa hai uske baad kaise karoon? Kaun karega mujhpe bharosa? Tu karti hai? Tej ka hunar nahin hai mujh mein. Pyaar se, bholi shaqal se... Sabko pataa leta tha.

Aarya softens as she hears Tej's name. She thinks.

AARYA

Jo Tej karta tha, woh main karungi.

JAWAHAR

Rehne de. Na hoga tujhse.

AARYA

Kyun nahin hoga? Aurat hoon isliye?

JAWAHAR

Yeh toh na kahaa maine. Tu toh chaahti na thi ke hum mein se koi bhi...

AARYA

(cuts him in between)

Rajan ki jageh kaun aaya hai, ja... pataa kar. Usko Guru banana- Mera kaam.

Aarya shuts the conference room door on Jawahar's face and walks away - looking tense. Inside Jawahar rubs his forehead, not knowing where to start.

6.3 EXT. CAR PARKING. DAY.

6.3

Daulat is waiting at the wheels when Aarya steps in and shuts the door loudly. She looks worried.

DAULAT

Koi problem?

AARYA

Ek cheez solve karo... Chaar aur khadi ho jaati hain. Logistical problem. Jawahar kah raha hai transport nahin ho payega.

DAULAT

Jawahar se khatra hai. Aur jisse khatra ho, ussey raaste se hata dena chahiye.

AARYA

I can't. Zaroorat hai uski.

DAULAT

Hukum kehte hai, jo aadmi khatra ban jaaye, use sabse pehle hi raaste se hata dena chaahiye.

Aarya looks in the horizon, pondering over what Daulat said.

6.4 INT. HINA 'S SALON. DAY.

6.4

Khan is on the salon chair. Hina is styling his hair.

HINA

Ye style aapke face ko suit karta hai

KHAN

Mere profession mein shaayad work nahi karega

HINA

Kya karte hai aap?

KHAN

Chor Police khelta hu

HINA

Matlab?

KHAN

Arre haan, aapka boyfriend bhi toh khelta hai mere saath. Wo chor aur main Police.

HINA

Sorry?

KHAN

ACP Khan, NEB.

Hina's fingers stop. She looks at Khan in the mirror with a frown.

KHAN (CONT'D)

Kuch bataya usne aapko? Afwaah toh suni hogi aapne bhi...

Hina raises her eyebrows. She continues to work.

KHAN (CONT'D)

Yahi ki aapke lover ne apne hi Jija ka murder karwa diya.

HINA

Done...Gossip next time

Khan stands up to leave.

KHAN

Hina Mazhar Shaikh. Aap jise gossip keh rahi hain, hum use tip-off kehte hain. Kabhi gossip karne ka mann hua toh, aap mera number dhoondh hi lengi.

Khan leaves. Hina looks a little perturbed and then gathers her wits. She calls out to Khan.

HINA

Sir...Payment?

Khan looks back, expectantly.

Khan gives her an incredulous look, and then smiles. He pulls out a note, makes a payment and writes his number on a notepad before leaving.

6.5 EXT. PARKING AREA. DAY.

6.5

A Pandit is doing Pooja for Indrajeet's new car outside the office, as 2 govt. Babus stand on the side. Aarya and Jawahar notice this from a distance, as they stand hidden.

JAWAHAR

Container Yard ka in-charge...
Indrajeet Sarkar. Abhi abhi do
mahine pehle transfer hoke aaya hai
Bangali. Divorced hain, bacche
nahin hain. Maltab koi link nahin
hain isko lalchane ke liye.

AARYA

Ye karega madad. I know the link.

JAWAHAR

Tu pehle kyon nahin aayi dhandhe mein?

AARYA

(sarcastically, with
 piercing eyes)
Pehle kisi ne mere puppy ko nahi
maara tha naa.

Indrajeet by now leaves in his car, with pandit ji sitting on the co-passenger seat. We see the A/F number plate on Indrajeet's car. The seats are still wrapped in the plastic sheets. Jawahar sniggers.

JAWAHAR

Dushmani kisi ke kaam nahin aati Aarya. Dosti hi kaam aati hai.

Aarya raises her eyebrow.

JAWAHAR (CONT'D)

Tej kehta tha.

6.6 INT. JAIL. DAY.

6.6

Khan pulls the chair and settles on it. We reveal that seated in front of him is Sangram.

KHAN

Bahut seedhi hai teri girlfriend. Jaanti hi nahin ki uske boyfriend ne apni hi behan ko vidhwa bana diya.

Sangram laughs uproariously.

SANGRAM

Tu jasoosi kahaniyan likha kar...

KHAN

Usi ki research kar rahaa hoon. Kyon maara Tej ko?

SANGRAM

Zabt ki hui afeem chaat ke aaye hain ACP Khan? Mere arrest hone ke baad goli lagi usko. (pause) Jisne mujhe arrest kiya kahin usi ne toh nahin maara Tej ko?

KHAN

Main kyun maarunga? Tej ko apne paale mein kar liye tha maine. Tere arrest se bas shuruaat ki thi. Bahut kuch milne waala tha Tej se ek pendrive mein (Sangram's reaction) Kahin isliye toh nahin maara tune usko?

Silence for a moment. Khan is gauging Sangram's reaction.

SANGRAM

Main Tej nahin hoon. Gaane na sunta hoon na gaata hoon, samjhe?

KHAN

Tu, Tej aur Jawahar... teeno ne mil ke kuchh toh bada kaand kiya tha. Tum logon ne Shekhawat ke aadmi udaaye. Shekhawat ne tere partner ko marwa diya.

SANGRAM

Waah! Ab ek nayi theory? Ek saath teen murder case solve kar liye tumne?

Sangram begins to laugh again. Khan pulls out his phone. His laughter dies instantly as Sangram sees what Khan is showing him. These are photos of Aarya and Shekhawat.

KHAN

Hans hans. Ruk kyon gayaa? Kya kar rahi hai... Teri behan tere dushman ke saath? Hmmm? Theek hai mat bataa. Main Shekhawat se hee pooch loonga.

Khan gets up and leaves. Sangram calls after him.

SANGRAM

Boyfriend ko ghar le aaya hai tu, ye baat teri maa ko toh maalum nahin hogi?

Khan loses it. He paces back to Sangram and socks him hard even before Sangram can finish his sentence. Sangram gets up and picks the chair to hit him. They get into a fight. The jail staff runs and intervenes.

STAFF 1

Sir... Sir... Chhorh deejiye sir... Hamaari naukri chali jaayegi sir.

Finally they are separated, still glaring at each other with murderous eyes.

6.7 EXT. LAXMI MISHTHAAN BHANDAR. DAY.

6.7

Aarya is carefully parking her car next to Indrajeet's.

As she comes out, A Pigeon drops shit on Indrajeet's car. Indrajeet who was having a paan, rushes to clean his car

AARYA

Congrats for the new car!

INDRAJEET

Arre, par ye chidiya ne toh apna kaam kar diya naa.

AARYA

Par ye toh shubh hota hai. Kitne ki padi aapko ye

INDRAJEET

8.5 Ki

AARYA

I actually like the colour. College mein bhi mere paas issi rang ki gaadi thi. Can I take the ribbon out?

INDRAJEET

Sorry?

AARYA

Aap naye lagte hai yaha. Log nayi gaadi dekh ke jalte hai. Nazar lag jaayegi aapko...Sorry, I mean gaadi ko

Aarya starts taking the ribbon out.

INDRAJEET

Thanks

AARYA

Vaise, you are very rude!

INDRAJEET

Kya hua

AARYA

Nahi matlab, main aapke liye itna kuch kar rahi hu, aur aap mujhe sukhe sukhe thanks bol rahe hai

INDRAJEET

Matlab

AARYA

Arre, matlab ek lassi toh pila dijiye

Aarya takes Indrajeet inside the shop and orders 'Lassi'. As they both are having Lassi, Aarya wipes the lassi from Indrajeet's face.

AARYA (CONT'D)

You have a nice smile!

Indrajeet blushes as Aarya says this. He is clearly intrigued.

6.8 INT. AARYA'S HOME. LIVING ROOM. DAY.

6.8

Aarya walks into her house. A smile appears on her face. From her POV we see Zorawar playing chess with Adi while Poonam looks on.

AARYA

Bach ke rahna Adi. Nanaji bohot cheating karte hain. (to Poonam) Din mein bukhaar toh nahin aaya?

Pramile shakes her head and takes Aarya's bag. Aarya touches Adi's forehead first and then touches her father's feet.

ZORAWAR

Main sirf chaalein chalta hoon beta. Logon ko cheating lagti hai. Tumhari... Queen jaayegi.

Aditya smiles at his grandfather and saves his queen. Zorawar coughs. He looks at Aarya.

ZORAWAR (CONT'D)

Kuchh baat karni thi tumse...

Poonam gets the signal. She reaches out to Adi. Adi obediently gets up and leaves but then turns around to check his chessboard.

AARYA

(with a smile)

He won't cheat. Main karne nahin dungi.

Zorawar smiles at his grandson as Poonam takes him out. As soon as they are both out of the sight, Zorawar asks:

ZORAWAR

Beemar bacche ko akela cchorkar office gayi thi. Aisi bhi kya emergency thi beta?

Aarya looks at him guiltily. She doesn't know what to say. Zorawar pulls out a bag from under the chair and puts it in front of Aarya. Aarya looks at him, surprised.

ZORAWAR (CONT'D)

Baap hoon tera... Dushman nahin hoon... Rakh le. Ek Karod hain. (pause) Bas Shekhawat se door rah beta.

Aarya looks at him.

AARYA

Aapko kaise...? (pause) Sangram?

Zorawar doesn't respond to that.

AARYA (CONT'D)

Sangram ne ye toh bataya nahin hoga ki mujhe ye sab kyun karna pad raha hai? Zorawar looks at Aarya, as if waiting for her to answer her question.

AARYA (CONT'D)

Sangram, Tej aur Jawahar ne milke Shekhawat ka maal churaya tha. 300 karod ki heroin. **300 karod**.

Emphasising on '300 karod' Aarya pushes the bag back towards him. Zoravar is stunned.

ZORAWAR

Kahaan hai voh Heroin?

AARYA

Gaayab ho gayi. Daulat ne har jagah dhoondha, lekin...

Zorawar looks away. This is worse than he had imagined.

ZORAWAR

Yeh sab hua, aur toone bola bhi na mujhse?

AARYA

Apni tabiyat toh dekhiye Papa.

ZORAWAR

Lekin tu akele kaise karegi?

AARYA

Bas ek transport ki baat hai. Phir Tej ka hissa maaf kar dega Shekhawat.

ZORAWAR

Usne bol diya aur tune maan liya?

AARYA

Mere paas option bhi kya hai Papa? Aap nahin samjhoge.

Zorawar looks at his daughter. Aarya suddenly feels guilty for hurting the old man.

AARYA (CONT'D)

Sorry Papa. I didn't mean to...

Aarya wells up. Zorawar pulls her closer in a hug and comforts her.

AARYA (CONT'D)

Papa... My only fear is...Ki Shekhawat mere bachchon ko kuchh na kar de. Unhi ke liye risk le rahi hoon.

ZORAWAR

Daulat rahega tumhare saath. Hamesha. Kuch bhi zarurat ho toh main hoon. Kuch nahin hone doonga tujhe...

Aarya nods and hugs her father tight and clings to him like an insecure child, trying to control her tears.

6.9 INT. AARYA'S HOME. LIVING ROOM. NIGHT.

6.9

Adi is playing with his clay, as Veer is busy in his phone and troubling him.

AARYA

Veer fever hai usko, mat disturb kar use

Poonam comes in and puts a plate of food in front of Aarya.

POONAM

Didi, Aru baby khaana khaane se mana kar rahi hai.

Aarya picks up the plate and gets up.

AARYA

Main deke aati hoon.

Aarya walks towards Aru's door.

VEER

(to Adi)

Mamma bhi aaj samajh jaayengi ki hamari behan kitni paagal hai.

ADI

Mom sab samajhti hain.

1.10 INT. ARU'S ROOM. NIGHT.

6.10

Aru is sitting on her study table, with her ear plugs on. A loud knock on Aru's door. Irritated, Aru pulls out her ear plugs, walks to the door and opens it.

She lets her mother in rather reluctantly.

As Aarya puts the plate on Aru's table, she looks at graffiti and writings on the wall.

AARYA

Kaafi badal gaya hai tumhara kamra.

Aru goes back to her study table.

ARU

Badal toh aap bhi gaye ho.

Aarya looks at her daughter, and then reads the writings closely.

AARYA

Ye sab tumne likha hai?

ARU

Don't worry. It's all cleanable.

Aarya is reading a poem aloud, emphasizing on each syllable.

AARYA

Tu maut ka gham kyun kare
Praarabdh se tu kyun dare
Yeh aatma meri teri
Ye janm aur mrityu sabhi
Kya surya aur kya ye zameen
Samay chakra se hi sab chali
Tere vash mein bas tera kaam hai
Bas karm par adhikaar hai

ARU

Inspired by Karma yoga from Gita, Chapter 2.

AARYA

Wow! Aur tumhein samajh mein aati hai... tumhari ye Gita?

ARU

Bob ne explain kiya tha. In fact, Bob ne toh meri ye poem compose bhi ki hai. Aapko sun.na chahiye. It sounds lovely in his voice and mine.

AARYA

Accha?

Aarya smiles at Aru, as she is now fixing her bed and arranging her study table.

AARYA (CONT'D)

Karm varm toh theek hai, lekin apna kamra toh saaf kar lo beta.

But Aru is too excited to comment on that. She keeps following her mother as she talks.

ARU

Mom! Kamra is not important, karma is. Do some good karma, no? It is Bob's dream to perform at Raag Studio. Aap Maya Aunty ko bolkar Uncle Leslie se karwa do na please.

AARYA

I can't do that Aru.

ARU

Why not? Isn't he family? Family ke liye itna bhi nahin kar sakte aap?

Aarya remains non-committal as she forces the food plate into Aru's hand.

AARYA

Accha, khaana khatam karo.

ARU

Mom?

AARYA

Ok dekhte hain. Come on.

Aarya puts a morsel of food in Aru's mouth. Aru has no choice but to make a face and eat up.

AARYA (CONT'D)

By the way, Bob Mausa. Not 'Bob'.

Aru just looks on.

6.11 INT. JAIL. DAY.

6.11

We open the scene with a tight slap on Sangram's face. A guard stops and turns.

GUARD

No phyjical contact.

Zorawar nods as he glares at Sangram.

SANGRAM

Mujhe laga private room mein mile ho, toh gale lagaoge.

ZORAWAR

Tu jail mein hee safe hai. Baitha reh yahin.

SANGRAM

Aap kyon apna BP Badha rahe ho? Main nipat loonga sabse.

ZORAWAR

Shekhawat se? Kiska maal churana hai kiska nahin, itna toh samajhna chaahiye.

There is silence between them.

SANGRAM

Maine jo bhi kiya, aap ke liye kiya. Afeem se hum bhi kyun heroin nahin banna sakte? Kya problem hai? Ek baar shekhawat ki monopoly tut jaati toh aur kaun hai market main? Hum. Agar sab sahi baith jaata toh aaj hum Shekhawat ko replace kar dete.

ZORAVAR

Sab sahi baith jaata toh na tu aaj yahan hota, aur na Aarya wahan... unn kaminon ke beech.

Sangram looks on angry. No one understands him.

ZORAWAR

Aarya ko lagtaa hai... Toone Tej ko...

Sangram looks at his father.

SANGRAM

Aur aapko?

Zorawar looks at him with an expressionless face.

6.12 EXT. POLO CLUB. DAY.

6.12

Shekhawat watching a game of Polo by the sidelines, on his chair with an umbrella and a man waiting with his juice by the side. He sees Sampat walking in with Khan at a distance. Shekhawat continues sitting refusing to look at Khan

SHEKHAWAT

'Mardon ka mard' hum ghudsawaaron ke beech kya kar raha hai aaj?

Sampat and rest of the gang chuckle.

KHAN

Bas haajri lagane aaya hoon.

SHEKHAWAT

Janaab... haajiri waali reputation toh hain nahin aapki. Kuchh soonghne aaye hain aap...

KHAN

Jheel mein do laashein milin thi... Kuchh dinon pehle... Unki badboo soonghte soonghte yahan tak pohoncha hoon...

SHEKHAWAT

Aapke officers ne kutton ka kaam bhi aapko de diya...?

KHAN

Is case mein kutta main apni marzi se banaa hoon... Unn laashon ki shinakht ho gayi hai... Dono aapke aadmi thhe.

SHEKHAWAT

Toh?

KHAN

Aapke aadmiyon ka khoon hua... Aur aapne Police mein report bhi nahin likhaayi?

SHEKHAWAT

Kyonki Police ke bagair hamaara kaam chal jaata hai.

KHAN

Tej Sareen ke murder ke ek din pehle aapke inn aadmiyon ko maara gaya. Aisa toh nahin ke Tej ne inko maara aur badle mein aapne Tej ko?

SHEKHAWAT

Aap apne uljhe huye cases mujhse solve karaana chaahte hain?

KHAN

Tej ki biwi ke saath kya chal raha hai?

SHEKHAWAT

Voh nahin jo aapka ganda dimaag soch rahaa hai.

KHAN

Toh Aarya kyon milne aayi thi aapse? (Showing him pictures) Aur Iss bag mein kya hai jiska aadan pradaan kiya jaa rahaa hai? (Pause) Mr. Shekhawat... Russians ke saath saath hamari bhi nazar hai aap par.

SHEKHAWAT

Khan saab... Abhi abhi mere ek ghode ki taang toot gayi. I have to put him to sleep. It is painful, but it's my duty to relieve him of his pain. Kabhi kabhi kisi ki jaan lena bhi dharm hota hai.

Saying this Shekhawat gets up from the chair and walks towards the horse. As Shekhawat walks away, we stay on Khan's face.

6.13 INT. BOB'S STUDIO. DAY.

6.13

We transition to Bob and Aru sitting by a laptop listening to a track. We hear Bob's Voice and in the midst of it, it has Aru's voice in slam/poetry form interspersed within this.

BOB

Ya ainam vetti hantaaram yashchainam manyate hatam Ubho tau na vijaanito naayam hanti na hanyte
Na jayate mryate va kadacin nayam bhutva bhavita va na bhuyah Ajo nityah sasvato yam purano
Na hanyate hanyamne sarire

(ARU'S VOICE ROLLS OUT)

ARU (V.O.)

Tu maut ka gham kyun kare
Praarabdh se tu kyun dare
Tere vash mein bas tera kaam hai
Bas karm par adhikaar hai
Karm mein hi teri shaan hai
(MORE)

ARU (V.O.) (CONT'D)

Karm hi teri pehchaan hai Chal cchorh mann ki kamzoriyaan Rishton ki ye majbooriyaan Jeevan sangharsh se bachna hi kya Jeevan sangharsh se bachna hi kya

BOB

You should perform with us... whenever we get a chance at Raag Studio.

ARU

What if I tell you I can make it happen soon... like real soon?

Bob looks on intrigued.

BOB

I would kill for it.

(laughs)

Not literally...

Aru brushes herself against Bob, almost flirtatiously.

ARU

Lekin main toh bahut kuch kar sakti hoon. (Uncomfortable silence) Maine Mom se baat kar li hai. She will ask Maya Aunty to talk to Uncle Leslie

BOB

(steps away)

Connections! That's bad karma Aru.

ARU

Come on, Bob! You and I will make a great team.

Uncomfortable with this unnecessary physical proximity, Bob steps away and begins to switch off his system. Aru goes even closer, and then as if out of impulse - without thinking - she kisses Bob. Bob resists. Aru kisses again. Unwittingly Bob responds, and immediately pushes her away.

BOB

Tumhari Maasi... bula rahi hai.

Bob walks out of the room, and Aru keeps looking in his direction, foolishly besotted.

6.14 EXT. BOB SOUNDARYA'S HOUSE. DAY.

6.14

We catch Bob and Soundarya mid-conversation. Bob looks serious while Soundarya is laughing.

BOB

Come on babe, mazaak nahin hai ye.

SOUNDARYA

(laughing)

No... I was just thinking of Aru in her diapers.

BOB

Hey! You're making me feel like a pedophile.

SOUNDARYA

Don't be silly Bob. I know you. And I know her, okay?

Bob looks out of the window.

BOB

Babe, uski poetry... kapde... mannerisms... everything is screaming for attention.

SOUNDARYA

She is looking for a father figure Bob. And I know for a fact that you're a natural father.

BOB

Tumhein Aarya se baat karni chahiye.

SOUNDARYA

There is nothing to talk. Didi waise hi pareshaan hai Bob. Let's not add to her problems.

Bob doesn't respond to that. Soundarya reaches out to Bob, takes his hand in hers, and kisses his hand. Bob smiles at her and kisses her on her shoulder.

6.15 INT. AARYA'S HOME. LIVING ROOM. DAY.

6.15

A small pair of hands is painting a clay model in black color in swift strokes. A figurine (the one he had picked up in the hospital) stands face to face, right in front of the clay model.

Rasika is watching Adi make his model, jet black in colour, with shiny white teeth. It looks eerie.

RASIKA

Wow! Astronaut?

Adi shakes his head, but doesn't even look up. He keeps painting his model black.

ADT

Judo fighter.

Adi demonstrates by putting his two models into a duel.

ADI (CONT'D)

Agar koi mujhpar attack karega... toh main aise... yehaan... uski gardan par attack karke usko behosh kar doonga.

RASIKA

Tumhein judo aati hai?

ADT

Training le raha hoon.

RASIKA

Kis.se?

ADI

Daulat Uncle se.

RASIKA

Daulat... Uncle hain tumhare?

ADI

Nanaji ke dost hain. Hamesha unke saath hi rahte hain. Lekin ab Mamma ke saath bhi rahne lage hain. Daulat Uncle meri Mamma ko like karte hain.

Rasika nods her head smiling, not sure how to respond.

6.16 EXT. CAR PARKING. DAY.

6.16

We see Jawahar drive in to the parking area in Traffic police clothes, where Indrajeet's gift-wrapped car is parked. Four men step out, and draw a marking around Indrajeet's car. They start towing the car with their towing van. Jawahar supervises this happening.

As Jawahar is about to drive away, his gaze falls on Daulat, standing and sipping tea in the distance, who is clearly keeping an eye on him. Jawahar is pissed, he hurriedly gets back in his car and leaves.

6.17 EXT. AARYA'S HOME. LAWNS/DRIVEWAY. DAY.

6.17

Aarya is working in the garden with Adi.

ADI

Papa ka favorite color green tha na Mamma?

Aarya nods.

AARYA

Pata hai kyun? (Pause) Kyunki green is the color of life.

ADI

Life ka color green kyun hota hai?

AARYA

Kyunki nature ka color green hota hai... Aur nature ka color green hota hai kyunki...

Suddenly Adi is distracted by sudden entry into the premises.

ADT

Mamma! Jawahar Uncle.

Jawahar literally storms in.

JAWAHAR

Transporter advance maang raha hai. Kahaan se laun paise?

Aarya looks at Adi.

AARYA

Andar jao beta.

Jawahar walks towards Adi and fills him in his arms - too tightly for kid's comfort.

JAWAHAR

Big boy!!! Kitne din ghar mein baitha rahega? School kyun nahin jaata?

AARYA

Andar jao Adi.

But Adi can't. Jawahar doesn't let him.

JAWAHAR

Koi problem ho toh apne Jawahar Uncle se kehna.

Aarya frees Adi out of Jawahar's grip.

AARYA

Teri problem kya hai Jawahar?

His voice has suddenly turned more intimidating. He lets go of Adi and comes dangerously close to Aarya. Adi looks on.

JAWAHAR

Daulat. Tere baap ka kutta hai ya tera?

Aarya looks at Adi uncomfortably.

AARYA

Tu hosh mein nahi hai.

Aarya catches hold of Adi and begins to move inside. Jawahar grabs her by her hand.

JAWAHAR

Hosh mein tu nahin hai Aarya Sareen. Jasoosi mat karaya kar meri. Aur ek baat samajh le. Main kisi ka naukar nahin hoon. Na tera na Sangram ka. Tujhe aur business... donon ko akele dekh loonga.

Aarya frees herself from Jawahar's grip.

AARYA

You are high Jawahar. Ghar ja. Maya wait kar rahi hogi.

She swiftly walks inside her house with Adi and shuts the door, her heart still pounding. Adi looks at her mother, his face defying any expression.

6.18 EXT. LAXMI MISHTHAAN BHANDAR. DAY.

6.18

Outside the mithayi shop, Indrajeet gets off a rickshaw. As Aarya's car passes him, she pulls over.

AARYA

Rikshe mein? Aapki nayi gaadi?

Indrajeet looks heartbroken.

INDRAJEET

Chori ho gayi. (sigh) Paisa paisa jodke khareedi thi woh gaadi. Insurance bhi nahin karaya tha.

AARYA

Meri jaan pehchaan hai Insurance company mein. Main kuch karti hu Indra.

INDRAJEET

Par woh Illegal hai naa

Aarya looks really sympathetic.

AARYA

Par hum bhi toh dost hai naa. Chaliye main aapka mood theek karti hu

Indrajeet looks ambivalent, but then he follows her.

6.19 INT. LAXMI MISHTHAAN BHANDAR. DAY.

6.19

We see Aarya and Indrajeet seated across a table. They are both having lassi. Aarya notices Lassi on his face, and tries to wipe it off. Indrajeet stopes her hand. He is embarrassed.

INDRAJEET

Aap... Aap... Mushkil mein daal rahi hain. Yeh theek nahin hai.

AARYA

Lassi khatam keejiye jaldi se. Aur chaliye...

INDRAJEET

Kahaan?

AARYA

Car nahin hai na aapki. Toh main lift toh de hee sakti hoon aapke ghar tak.

INDRAJEET

Nahin. Matlab haan. Aap... Mohalle ke bahar tak chhorh deejiye.

Aarya smiles and looks at the glass. Indrajeet picks the lassi glass and does a bottoms up. Then he looks at Aarya. And Aarya too holds that look. That meaningful look.

6.20 EXT/INT. OLD FORT ROAD/ CAR. DAY.

6.20

We see Aarya driving and Indrajeet seated next to her on the passenger seat. "Loote koi mann ka nagar banke mera saath". Aarya and Indrajeet exchange looks with each other.

INDRAJEET

Bohot achcha collection hai.

AARYA

Tej ke favourite gaano mein se ek hai

6.21/21ÆXT. OLD FORT. DAY

6.21/21A

We see Aarya and Indrajeet seated side by side. A papad seller walks past with the papads.

INDRAJEET

Achchha hai yahaan... Jyada Bheed bhaad nahin hai.

AARYA

Darte ho?

INDRAJEET

Jhooth kyon bolun? Dar toh hai. Aag se khel rahaa hoon main. Aur...

AARYA

Aur...?

INDRAJEET

Aur... khud ko rok bhi nahin paa rahaa.

AARYA

Roka toh hua hai (pause) Nahin toh thoda aur paas baithate.

Indrajeet looks at Aarya. His mouth half open. Aarya chuckles in a coquettish manner. Quite unusual of "the Aarya" we have been seeing so far. Then she herself moves closer to Indrajeet.

INDRAJEET

Aap chaahti kya hain?

AARYA

Bol toh aise diya... ki main maanga... Aur aapne de diya...

INDRAJEET

Try kar ke dekho... Bas mein hua toh kyon manaa karoonga dene se?

AARYA

Bas mein toh hai...

Aarya gently holds Indrajeet's hand in her hand.

AARYA (CONT'D)

Ek container baahar nikaalna hai. Yahaan se Uzbekistan. Please don't say no, Indrajeet.

INDRAJEET

Kya hai... Container mein?

AARYA

Tej ke business ke baare mein toh suna hi hoga. Ab mujhe karnaa pad raha hai. Please Indrajeet. I really need your help.

Indrajeet gets up thinking. Aarya looks nervous. Indrajeet paces up and down. Aarya sits waiting. Her fingers crossed. Indrajeet comes back and sits next to Aarya...

INDRAJEET

Toh yeh sab... Yeh... Jo kuchh bhi... Yeh... Yeh sab naatak... Isliye tha...?

Aarya gets up and walks back to her car and sits at the wheel. Indrajeet looks at her confused and he too walks to the car and sits next to her.

AARYA

Sabki apni apni majbooriyaan hoti hain Indrajeet. Aur un majbooriyon ke peechhe kabhi kabhi... Thoda sach bhi hota hai...

Aarya leans over to the side and hugs Indrajeet. Indrajeet doesn't know what to do. He hesitates trying to put his arm around Aarya. But he does that eventually. As he does Aarya snuggles a little more on his chest.

Indrajeet reaches out to kiss Aarya. Aarya looks a little hesitant. Indrajeet pulls back. Aarya leans towards him and kisses him back. And then she says...

AARYA (CONT'D)

Bas ek container. Bas ek baar. Uske baad kabhi nahin. I promise.

6.22 INT. AARYA'S HOME. GYM/DOOR - DAY

6.22

We open on Aarya's face looking straight and cold. No emotion betrays her. Daulat walks up to her with two cups of chai.

DAULAT

Jawahar aaya tha?

Aarya looks at him. How does he know?

DAULAT (CONT'D)

Adi ne bataya.

AARYA

Jab tak consignment nahin nikal jata, manage karna padega usko.

DAULAT

Aur uske baad...?

AARYA

Zindagi bhar shakal nahi dekhungi uski.

DAULAT

Bhoot hai woh. Jab tak zinda rakhenge usko, sar par mandrata rahega.

AARYA

Zinda hi rakhna hai usko.

Daulat looks at Aarya.

AARYA (CONT'D)

Maya ke liye. Bas samjhaana hai.

She goes inside, but stops in her tracks and then adds an afterthought.

AARYA (CONT'D)

Ekaadh haath lagaoge usko, lekin maaroge nahin. Samjhe?

Daulat nods, but he doesn't meet Aarya's eyes. Aarya looks at him again. He looks at Aarya and nods. Aarya goes back into the house. Deep in his thoughts, Daulat pulls out his cigarette and sees Aarya take Adi to bed.

6.23 EXT. SAVARDA HIDEOUT. DUSK / NIGHT.

6.23

Jawahar is closing the gate of his house. He sees Daulat arrive in his car outside. Jawahar looks at him and smiles. He knows something is amiss. He quickly scampers and jumps the gate and runs inside the house again.

Daulat too jumps the wall and runs in. He looks around. Cannot see Jawahar anywhere. Till he looks at the wall. Jawahar hangs by the wall, precariously.

JAWAHAR

Atak gaya. Haath dede.

Daulat brings him out and punches him.

6.24/24AINT. PALLAVI'S PG/HOSTEL. NIGHT

6.24/24A

Pallavi is walking up the stairs when her phone rings. Pallavi begins to walk inside the dingy corridor. It's a lowend PG, with clothesline hanging on both sides of the corridor.

Pallavi is pulling out her keys. We see sudden shock and fear on Pallavi's face. The lock of her room is broken. She pushes the door open scared.

As Pallavi switches on the light of her room, her heart skips a beat. Everything in her room is normal. Except there is a balloon hanging on the fan. She walks to it smiling. On it is a note and a phone number. She calls the number excited.

PALLAVI

(uncertainly)

Hello? Veer?

UNKNOWN CALLER

Veer nahin. Main bol raha.

Kaisa laga gift?

PALLAVI

Who are you?

UNKNOWN CALLER

Sab bataonga. Par abhi nahin. Rupal aa qayi hai.

(hangs up)

Rupal, Pallavi's room-mate walks in. Pallavi is scared. She rushes to the window and sees outside. She can see no-one around. She is scared.

6.25 INT. SAVARDA HIDEOUT. NIGHT.

6.25

A punch falls on a face and blood oozes out. We pull out to reveal that it's Jawahar who's been hit and it's Daulat who has hit him. Daulat stands towering over Jawahar who sits on a stool.

Daulat pulls a chair and sits facing Jawahar. Jawahar continues to talk.

JAWAHAR

Kiske kehne pe kar raha hai ye? Aarya ke? Teri khud toh koi aukaat na hai.

Another punch on Jawahar's face.

JAWAHAR (CONT'D)

Kuchh na haasil hoga tanne iss majnoogiri se.

Silence for a moment. One more solid punch and Jawahar goes flying off the stool. Daulat walks up to him and lifts him up by his collar, drags him and makes him sit on the stool again. Before Daulat can sit on the chair again, Jawahar sings...

JAWAHAR (CONT'D)

Haan. Maine hee bheja tha puliya pe voh aadmi. Maine hee dhamki dilaayi thi Aarya ko. Bhai tanne meri haalt ka pataa na hai.

Jawahar cries folding his hands begging Daulat to show some mercy. Daulat looks at him. A cold look.

6.26 INT. JAIL. NIGHT

6.26

Outside the visitors area of the jail, a constable stands, keeping a close guard. He looks in the direction of the corridor, and then tries to peer through his shoulder, as if to see what's going inside.

With his gaze, we enter the room, and hear whispers of a man and a woman. Hina is leaning over Sangram.

SANGRAM

Kya kahaa tune Khan ko?

HINA

Sach kahaa.

By this time, Hina has sat down on Sangram's lap.

SANGRAM

Aur sach kya hai?

HINA

Yahi ke mujhe tere business ke baare mein na pehle kuchh pataa tha na abhi kuchh pataa hai.

Hina is getting intimate with Sangram.

SANGRAM

Now that's a good girl. (Pauses as he returns her kiss) Aur Khan kya keh rahaa tha? (Pause) Ab bhi sach hee bolna.

HINA

Tu sach bol raha hai Sangram?

SANGRAM

(pushes her away)
Tujhe kya lagta hai? Itne saalon se
jaanti hai mujhe. You really think
ki main apni behen ke husband ko...

Still in his lap, Hina gently holds Sangram's cuffed hands.

HINA

Toh phir teri bail kyun nahin ho rahi Sangram? Is it more serious than it normally is?

Silence. Sangram looks at Hina, his eyes trying to make sense of this new conspiracy theory.

6.26A INT. PALLAVI'S PG/HOSTEL - NIGHT

6.26A

Pallavi's room-mate is asleep. Pallavi is sitting in Razai. Her phone rings. It is the unknown caller again. Pallavi in two minds to pick it or not. She does, scared.

PALLAVI

I am calling the police.

UNKNOWN CALLER

(in broken english)
Oh then. I will call your father.
Aspatal main thi peechle hafte?
Suna kuch drugs vugs liya? Mummy
papa ko pata hai?

Pallavi goes numb. Scared, she Pallavi hangs up. She is breathing hard, unsure of where to go, or whom to call. Her phone rings again.

PALLAVI Kya chahiye tumhein?

BLACKMAILER

Ek chotta sa kaam karna hai. Ekdum chotta. Karegi toh accha hai. Ek pendrive hai, tere boyfriend ke ghar pe. Uske baap ki hai. Silve/Gray color ki. Kahan milegi, manne na pata. Nikaal ke le aayegi toh accha hai. Tere liye aur mere liye bhi. Kal milegi na usko?

Pallavi keeps hearing it, scared.

6.27 INT. HIDEOUT. NIGHT

6.27

Jawahar falls on the floor as Daulat hits him and he is still. Flat on his stomach. Daulat pushes him with his foot. Jawahar's limp body turns over. He looks unconscious. Daulat looks at Jawahar and moves away a cigarette dangling between his lips. He walks a few feet away towards a window. He is thinking. Then he reaches out to his pistol. He looks at the pistol. And cocks it.

Suddenly he is hit hard on his head from behind with a rod. Daulat falls. We reveal... Jawahar standing behind him with a metal rod in his hand. He drops the rod and walks out taking unsteady steps.

6.28 INT. PHARMA COMPANY. DAY.

6.28

Aarya is in her cabin. She tries calling Daulat. Can't get through. Aarya dials Jawahar's number. It is out of network zone. Aarya disconnects.

6.29 I/E. AARYA'S HOUSE. TEJ'S STUDY./LIVING ROOM DAY.

6.29

Pallavi walks in scared from the big gate of the house. The guards look at her. She is tensed. A door opens and Veer and Pallavi walk in. Pallavi suddenly breaks into an acted smile.

She and Veer get into Tej's study. They get into a lip lock and begin to make out passionately. After some time Pallavi pulls away breathing heavily.

PALLAVI

Coffee peene ka man kar rahaa hai.

VEER

Coffee?? Banva leta hoon.

PALLAVI

Coffeeshop Yahin paas hee mein toh hai. Can't you get it for me?

VEER

Order kar deta hoon.

Pallavi makes a puppy face. Veer leaves the room giving Pallavi a peck on her cheek. Just then she stops him.

PALLAVI

Kuch songs laayi thi. Pen drive hai?

VEER

Bluetooth kar lo na?

PALLAVI

Ummm... nahin, I like it old school.

We stay with Pallavi who is tensed. She scans the room. She walks to the door to make sure that there's nobody and sees Veer stepping out.

Hurriedly she steps back into the room and begins her search. She pulls all the drawers of the table one after the other. Rummages through the contents. She is looking for the pen drive.

6.30 INT. AARYA'S HOUSE/CAR. DAY.

6.30

Aarya drives into her home compound. As she pulls over, she punches a number on her mobile. She waits for the call to connect but no luck. She types a message for Daulat... Where are you? Please call. She then gets out of the car.

6.31 INT. AARYA'S HOUSE. TEJ'S STUDY. DAY.

6.31

Pallavi finds a box and opens it. The box has many tidbits and also some pen drives. Pallavi has no idea which pen drive is the one she's looking for. She looks sideways and finds a laptop on the study table.

She plugs these pen drives one after the other and checks the contents. She keeps rejecting them. Some have pictures. Some have music. Some have movies etc.

She gets a start as she hear foot steps approaching. She shuts the laptop down, unplugs the pen drive from the laptop and puts it back in the box.

At this precise moment the door opens and Aarya walks in. Aarya is surprised to see Pallavi in the study. Nervous as hell Pallavi gets up saying...

PALLAVI

Hello Aunty... Veer coffee lene gaya hai.

Before Aarya can say anything Pallavi's phone rings. Pallavi takes the call.

PALLAVI (CONT'D)

Hi... Hello... Hello...

Pretending to get better reception Pallavi steps out of the room and continues to walk till she is out of the house.

Aarya finds it a bit weird. She comes to the window and finds Pallavi meet Veer at the gate. Veer is on Pallavi's scooty. He's got coffee for Pallavi.

6.31A EXT. AARYA'S HOUSE. DRIVEWAY. DAY.

6.31A

At the gate...

VEER

Kahaan jaa rahi ho?

PALLAVI

Tumhaari Mummy aa gayin hain. I can't be here.

Pallavi takes her scooty from Veer and rides off. Veer calls after her...

VEER

Tumhari coffee?

PALLAVI

Later!

Veer stands there confused. He looks back at the house and sees Aarya at the window.

6.31B INT. AARYA'S HOUSE.TEJ'S STUDY/LIVING ROOM. DAY 6.31B

Aarya is puzzled. We stay on Aarya.

6.32 EXT. APPU'S CRECHE. DAY. 6.32

OMITTED

6.33 INT. BACKYARD. EVENING. 6.33

We see Pallavi come out of a backgate to smoke. The music leak from the party can be heard in the background. As Pallavi goes to sit over her scooty, she finds that somebody has left a red heart balloon for her tied on a twowheeler/bike standing next to hers.

FRIEND

Koi naya murga pakda hai kya?

Aarya panics looking at the Balloon. Her phone rings again.

PALLAVI

Main nahin kar sakti. It is not possible.

BLACKMAILER

Sunn, toh inse baat kar (adds another call to this) Hello, Maheshji. Namaskaar.

Pallavi goes numb. It is her father on the conference call.

BLACKMAILER (CONT'D)

Aapko loan ki zaroorat hain? Gold loan?

PALLAVI'S FATHER

Gold hoga toh na bhai sahab. (laughs)

Maaf karein.

Her father hangs up. Pallavi is in tears.

PATITIAVT

Please mere ghar waalon ko involve mat karo. Main try kar rahi hoon.

Everyone around is looking at her. Pallavi is in tears.

6.34/34ÆXT. KHAN'S OFFICE. DAY.

6.34/34A

We open on Khan talking to a journalist on TV. Bhairon Singh and other subordinates are watching the interview.

JOURNALIST

Matlab yahi afeem dawa bhi hai aur nasha bhi?

KHAN (ON TV)

Bilkul. Ilaaj ke liye toh hazaaron saal se istemaal ho raha hai is afeem ka. Humari ladaayi toh illegal drugs ke taskaron ke khilaaf hai...

DIG Dogra, Khan's superior, walks into the office and glares at the congregation watching TV. The crowd disperses.

6.35 INT. KHAN'S OFFICE - KHAN'S CABIN

6.35

DIG Dogra walks right into Khan's cabin. Khan is caught unawares. He gets up from his chair. DIG Dogra stares at Khan, pulls the chair and sits down.

DIG DOGRA

TV par aane main badi mustaidi dikhaate ho (OR Salute karne mein badi mustaidi dikhaate ho)... Aur ek case solve nahin hota tumse?

KHAN

Sir... Aisa nahin hai.

DIG DOGRA

Main tumhein ek naya case de raha hoon.

(gives a file.)

Study karo, aur yeh Aaryasatva waala close karne ki taiyaari karo.

KHAN

Sir, I am very close to solving it.

Bhairon singh is seen in the reflection behind. He is waving at Khan. He ignores Bhairon.

DIG DOGRA

Chaubees Ghante issi case mein ghuse rehne ke baad bhi result toh kuchh aaya nahin. What do you want? Tabaadle ka order? KHAN

No, sir.

This time he looks up again. Bhairon is standing with a badly bruised Jawahar. Khan is surprised. He walks out without a salute.

KHAN'S SUPERIOR

Khan! Salute?

Khan salutes, but then rushes out.

CONSTABLE

Sir... Yeh toh hadd hee ho gayi.

DIG DOGRA

Iska time over samjho.

6.36/36AINT. AARYA'S ROOM. ARU'S ROOM. NIGHT.

6.36/36A

Aarya steps out of the bathroom in her bathrobe. Aru comes and informs:

ARU

Mamaa... Maya Aunty aayi hain.

Aarya looks a bit surprised.

AARYA

Maya? Tell her... I'm coming.

ARU

Mamma..

AARYA

Hmm?

ARU

Aap unse baat karogi na?

AARYA

Kya baat?

ARU

Maine kahaa tha na aap se. About Bob. If Maya aunty can help him...

AARYA

Haan haan. Unko yahin bula lo.

Aarya begins to change as Aru leaves. After a while Maya comes at the door. They both look at each other.

An uncomfortable silence between two thick friends. Aarya breaks it.

AARYA (CONT'D)

Andar aa ja.

Maya comes in and sits on the bed. Aarya begins to blow dry her hair.

MAYA

Jawahar ke baare mein baat karni thi.

Aarya stops the blower.

MAYA (CONT'D)

Do din se ghar nahin aaya hai. Tujhe pataa hai kahaan hai?

AARYA

Mujhe kaise pataa hoga?

MAYA

Something is not right Aarya.

AARYA

What do you mean?

MAYA

Kisi Shekhawat ke aadmi ka phone aaya tha. Keh rahaa tha... Jawahar owes him 100 crores!!! And if he doesn't return... (Breaks down) Yeh sab kya ho rahaa hai Aarya? Bataa na mujhe, please.

Aarya looks at Maya- her childhood friend in such distress, and feels bad. She gets up, closes the door and sits next to Maya.

AARYA

Tej, Sangram aur Jawahar ne jo kiya uski sazaa hum jhel rahe hain. Teeno ne Shekhawat ki heroin churaayi. 300 karod ki. Aur phir woh 300 karod ka maal gaayab ho gaya.

MAYA

Gaayab ho gaya??

Aarya nods.

AARYA

Tu akeli nahin hai jisko Shekhawat dhamka rahaa hai.

MAYA

Iska matlab... Kahin Jawahar ko bhi... Tej ki tareh Shekhawat ne... No... No...

Maya begins to cry. Aarya holds her to comfort her.

MAYA (CONT'D)

Please tu toh baat kar mujhse. Tujhe meri zaroorat nahin hogi par mujhe hai. I have no other friend, Aarya.

AARYA

You think I do?

Aarya's eyes well up too. The friends hug each other.

AARYA (CONT'D)

Go home now. Mujhe pataa lagaa Jawahar ke baare mein toh main phone karungi. Go.

Maya gets up sobbing. As Maya leaves Aarya's room, Aru notices. She comes out of her room and hurriedly goes to see her mother.

We catch her coming into Aarya's room. In her excitement she doesn't notice Aarya's glum face. She asks...

ARU

Kya kahaa Maaya aunty ne?

AARYA

(Absent minded)

Kuch nahin.

ARU

Kuch nahin matlab? Bob ka gig hoga
ya nahin?

AARYA

Oh. That! I'm sorry beta... Main bhool gayi poochhna Maya se.

ARU

Mamma!?? How can you... Ek chhoti si help maangi thi maine... And you...

AARYA

Bola na bhool gayi. Agli baar baat kar loongi.

ARU

No need. JUST LET IT BE! I made a big mistake. Aap se poochhnaa he nahin tha. I should have known better.

AARYA

Itni kya badi baat ho gayi? What's wrong with you Aru?

ARU

Yeah right. What's wrong with me! Wow! You are such a bitch.

Aarya can't take it and slaps Aru. Aru is shocked. She holds her cheek and speaks through her tears.

ARU (CONT'D)

Bas yahi baaki tha. Thank you.

Aru runs out of the room crying. Aarya looks guilty as hell.

6.37 INT. AARYA'S HOUSE. LIVING ROOM. NIGHT.

6.37

LATER IN THE NIGHT. Aru is having her dinner at the dining table. She gets up the moment Aarya joins her at the table. Aarya looks hurt. As Aru goes past her, Aarya holds Aru's hand.

AARYA

Aru... I'm really sorry bete. I shouldn't have...

Aru cuts her off.

ARU

But you did.

Aru walks off and goes inside. We stay on Aarya. She starts to eat but finds it very difficult. She drops her head as she holds it with both her hands. After a few seconds she looks up. Her eyes are brimming with tears. She picks her plate and puts it away, on the kitchen counter.

6.38 INT. AARYA'S HOUSE/ARU'S ROOM. NIGHT.

6.38

OMITTED

6.39 INT. AARYA'S HOUSE. ADI'S ROOM. NIGHT.

6.39

Aarya lies down next to Adi on the bed. Her eyes moist, she holds his son for reassurance, for comfort.

ADI

Didi aapse itnaa kyon ladti hai, Mamma?

AARYA

Tum bade ho jaaoge toh tum bhi ladoge mujhse.

ADI

Main kabhi bada nahin hounga Mamma. Promise.

Aarya can't help but smile. This is probably the best moment of her day. She gently kisses Adi and switches off the light.

6.40/40AINT. ARU'S ROOM/BOB SOUNDARYA'S HOUSE. NIGHT.

6.40/40A

The lights come on and Aru sits up on the bed. She picks her phone from the side table. After a moment's contemplation she scrolls through her contact list and stops at Bob's name.

INTERCUT

Soundarya in bed. It is late. Bob is in the middle of a passionate conversation holding the gita.

BOB

I promise I will never make fun of your Indian head nod.

(does it)

I swear. Because I get it . It's not a yes or a no . It depends. On context . It depends on who you are and what the situation is at that time. It's not hypocritical . It's contextual. That's why I love the Gita. You do your Karm , your action, based on who you are and your priority dharm . Shall I go to War asks Arjun to Lord Krishna ...and the reply " Are you a Warrior now or a brother or a family member? Are you doing this for the greater good? You decide. And based on that priority Dharma you do your karma. So Arjun knew that in that situation his priority Dharma was being a Warrior. Simple.

Seemingly bored, Soundarya begins to yawn. But Bob doesn't stop.

SOUNDARYA

Bob can I tell you what your priority dharma is and therefore your priority Karm is right now? It's Simple.

(winks and giggles)

Bob laughs.

BOB

(pulling his pants down)
All right...you gotta do what you gotta do. Simple.

Both giggles as Bob jumps into the bed. Just then we hear the phone ring. Bob reaches out to pick it up.

SOUNDARYA

At this hour? Do you have a lover?

Bob smiles and picks his cell phone and is surprised to see Aru's name.

BOB

Aru!!

SOUNDARYA

(a beat)

Don't take it.

BOB

She might need something.

Bob takes the call.

BOB (CONT'D)

Hello?

ARU

Hi. Sleeping?

BOB

Just about to hit the bed.

ARU

Can I talk to you for a bit... about the composition?

Bob covers his cell phone with one hand and whispers:

BOB

She wants to talk. About work.

Soundarya whispers back.

SOUNDARYA

No need. Not at this hour.

BOB

I'm really tired Aru. Can we talk tomorrow?

ARU

Just for 5 minutes.

BOB

I'm kind of... dozing off. I'll call you tomorrow. Good Night.

Bob disconnects. We hear the click on Aru's face. Aru sits there looking numb for a bit.

Intercut with Bob who looks distracted as Soundarya switches off the phone and reaches out to kiss him.

6.40B INT. AARYA'S HOUSE. ADI'S ROOM. NIGHT

6.40B

Intercut with Aarya who is staring at the ceiling.

6.40C INT. ARU'S ROOM. NIGHT

6.40C

Back to Aru. She switches off her phone and tosses it away. She puts money in her pocket.

6.40D EXT. AARYA'S HOUSE. DRIVEWAY. NIGHT

6.40D

Aru walks out of the house. She picks the matchbox from the table of the guard.

GUARD

Didi, jyada duur mat jaana.

6.41 EXT. AARYA'S HOUSE. ROAD. NIGHT.

6.41

Aru steps out of the gate on the pretext of smoking. And then she notices that the guards are not seeing. She walks away.

She walks alone. Ear plugs on. She then takes a turn. Her house receding in the background. Her back to camera. A car begins to tail her slowly. At a deserted spot the headlights of the car fall full beam on Aru. She turns to look. Two men reach her. One gags her. She struggles as the men put her in the car and drive off.

End of Episode