

**Mr Han 491**

**Chapter 491: Getting Played**

“It’s not here yet?” Xia Qingyang was a little stunned. “That’s weird, it has already been so many days, even the slowest courier would have already sent it by now. Besides, that is a contract! Wouldn’t they have used a more reliable courier?”

Lu Qi murmured anxiously, “What if Ji Cheng is playing with me? For his movie, I’ve already rejected the television show. I haven’t filmed anything for such a long time. After much effort, I finally got a television show. If not for his movie, I would have taken it long ago!”

If she didn’t have the movie and lost the television too, what would happen!

Xia Qingyang was getting worried too. “Do you think that he’s taking revenge on you? You suddenly asked to increase your pay right before you enter the production crew, so he must be intentionally keeping you hanging, causing you to lose so much?”

Lu Qi’s expression turned fierce. “That’s because you requested it!”

The more Lu Qi thought about it, the angrier she became. “It’s all your fault! Why did you ask for a pay hike out of nowhere? You’ve ruined a perfectly good opportunity! You said that if you become my manager, we could save some costs and you would also have something to do too and that you won’t have to be disconnected from the rest of society by staying at home and get despised by Dad. Great, I agreed with you, but you can’t even do this properly! If I knew about this earlier, no matter what you said, I wouldn’t have agreed to let you become my manager! You can’t do anything, and you know nothing, but you have to pretend to be so capable. If you don’t know anything, can you at least not create a mess for me!”

On the other hand, Xia Qingyang was adamant on not admitting her mistake. “What are you saying? Aren’t I doing all this for your own good? Who knew that Ji Cheng would turn out to be so terrible? Besides, nothing is confirmed right now, why are you blowing up at me! You were dumb for rejecting that television show so soon, yet you still have the cheek to blame me?”

“Mom! When can you actually help me instead of creating more problems for me!” Lu Qi stomped her feet in anger, she was really fatigued from the stress. “Tell me, what exactly have you done right recently! When have you not create more problems for me? Because of you, my reputation has only gotten worse and worse!”

Lu Qi couldn’t understand it either. In the past, her mother was a rather smart person. Otherwise, she wouldn’t have been able to snatch her father from Xia Qingwei and keep him tied securely to her.

*Why did she change so much recently?*

Actually, it wasn’t that Xia Qingyang had changed a lot, but rather Lu Man was really too tough of a competitor.

Lu Qi was in a pensive mood. It seemed that since she intended to harm Lu Man and send her to jail, nothing good ever happened to them, and instead, Lu Man only became more and more successful.

This was crazy!

"I have to go out for a bit." Lu Qi didn't even bother with any disguise like sunglasses or a face mask.

*Haha. Anyway, even if she put on make-up now and left right now, no one would be able to recognize her either.*

Lu Qi thought sarcastically, mocking herself.

She then went to He Zhengbai's work studio. Even though He Zhengbai was in his first years of his Masters, he already had his own studio. His family had invested in it, letting him shoot some films.

"Brother He." When Lu Qi entered He Zhengbai's office, she saw him busy reading a script.

"Qi Qi." He Zhengbai raised his head up and waved at her.

"Brother He, what happened to your face?" Lu Qi was shocked to see the bruises, patches of blue and green smattered across He Zhengbai's face.

Although the bruises looked a little paler and weren't as swollen as before, it was still rather frightening.

"Hmph!" He Zhengbai huffed angrily. "It's all because of Lu Man. She's going to Film Academy now. That day, I was just on my way to school and saw her. Yet who knew that she couldn't let go about us getting together and started hitting and kicking me. I couldn't do anything back in front of so many people either."

"She went too overboard!" Lu Qi touched his face, feeling sad and heartache. "Is it still painful now?"

"It's alright." He Zhengbai held onto Lu Qi's soft hand. "It just looks frightening."

## **Chapter 492: He Zhengbai Was Replaced Too**

"Who knew that Lu Man is actually attending Film Academy." Lu Qi bit onto her lips furiously.

"I've asked around, she's in the second semester of the first year of university right now. This year, she will follow them and move on to Year Two."

"She sure is shameless. Isn't she afraid of people laughing at her for being classmates with a bunch of people younger than her!" Lu Qi scoffed. "Oh right, how's the preparation for your movie coming along?"

"It's coming along pretty well. I'm still working on figuring out the camera angles," He Zhengbai said.

"Previously, it was always my family who invested in my films and let me shoot, but the amount they invested isn't a lot. At most, I could only shoot some low-budget web dramas for practice. It's really nothing much at all. This time, there's an investor who wants me to film a television show and now I won't need to use any of my family's money. I definitely have to film a television show that would surprise the audience and stand out amongst the crowd, making a grand debut as director."

"Brother He, you will definitely succeed. You're so talented, you can definitely do it. You will definitely become famous from directing this show," Lu Qi encouraged.

“Yes, I’ll definitely prove it to my family. Even though my family’s business is being managed by my older brother, my parents always felt that being a director isn’t a legitimate job. In the past, when they invested in my project, they also grumble about it. They also kept harshly criticizing me saying that that they had invested so much money in me but I hadn’t succeeded at all and so I might as well go back to the company and earn money. But now I will definitely prove to them that becoming a director isn’t worse or any less than working in a company!”

“Oh right, why are you here today? Aren’t you about to start filming?” He Zhengbai asked.

“I’m afraid that there have been some changes.” Worry was written all over Lu Qi’s face. “My mom demanded a pay hike from Ji Cheng behind my back. Initially, Ji Cheng agreed, but even after such a long time, he has yet to contact me again. I’m scared that he’s toying with me. Brother He, you are very resourceful. Please help me to ask around if Ji Cheng’s movie has started shooting.”

He Zhengbai was extremely happy as Lu Qi stroked his ego. “I will help you to ask around right now.”

Hence, He Zhengbai quickly a phone call. But when he hung up the phone, his face darkened.

At that moment, Lu Qi’s heart instantly had a bad premonition.

He Zhengbai said solemnly, “Your guess was right. Ji Cheng’s film has started shooting a long time ago.”

“Then what about the female lead? He found one too?” Lu Qi asked nervously.

“He found her.” He Zhengbai nodded. His face was so dark and serious that it was frightening. “You definitely won’t be able to guess it. The person he found to replace you is actually Lu Man!”

“That’s too shameless!” Lu Qi immediately remembered that she had even rejected that television show and felt heart-wrenching pain in her heart.

Just as He Zhengbai was consoling Lu Qi, his own mobile phone rang too.

In the midst of Lu Qi’s fury, she saw He Zhengbai’s face changed from shocked and frozen to fury and anger. “How could you just change the person out of the blue? Do you know how long I’ve been preparing for this show?”

The other part sounded helpless too. “We’ve no other choice either, we’re forced and it’s beyond our control.”

“How is it beyond your control?” He Zhengbai asked furiously.

If this was another newbie director, the other party would have already hung up long ago. Who would still bother talking and dragging it out with him?

However, because he was from the He Family, the other party said, “I don’t know who it is specifically either. The person who informed me is the big boss from our investors. The big boss wouldn’t explain so much to me either. Originally, the big boss did like you quite a bit. Someone who could make our big boss change his mind is probably someone who is even more impressive than him, but even I don’t know anything about him. I know that you’ve been preparing for a very long time so it must be very difficult to accept it and you feel really wronged too, but I honestly don’t have any other choice. I’ve

already tried fighting for you, but it didn't work. How about this, in the future if we still have a chance, I will think about you first."

Without waiting for He Zhengbai to speak, the other party hurriedly hung up the phone.

### **Chapter 493: Mother And Daughter Fall Out**

In the end, the ill-fated couple He Zhengbai and Lu Qi lost their jobs together.

"It's really unlucky, I just got beaten up by Lu Man, and now I even lost my job!" He Zhengbai cursed angrily, "You were right, she's a bringer of misfortune!"

He had not even asked for the reason, and directly put the blame on Lu Man.

Although this time, it was really because of Lu Man.

Now, the two of them did not have the mood to go on a date anymore, and Lu Qi stomped her way home angrily.

Even upon seeing Lu Qi so furious, Xia Qingyang still asked suspiciously, "Why did you come back so fast, what did you go out to do?"

"You still dare to ask! It's all because of you, you insisted on demanding a pay hike for the film, and all my effort to make a come back are now totally ruined!" Lu Qi was seething in rage.

"It's really gone? Are you sure?" Xia Qingyang still refused to admit her fault.

"I'm sure, I went out to find out about this only!"

"Impossible!" Xia Qingyang stood up anxiously, "In such a short time, he can't find anyone at all."

"He can't find anyone? He already found Lu Man. Lu Man, this sl\*t, she definitely knew I was going to take this movie, and so purposely snatched it away!" Lu Qi cursed angrily.

"I'll go to seek revenge!" Xia Qingyang stood up and started to rush out.

"Who are you finding? Lu Man is now busy filming, where will you find her?" Lu Qi held onto her.

"If I can't find Lu Man, why not find Xia Qingwei? She's a sickly person after I say a few sentences, she'll be angered to death! I caused Lu Man to steal your show, and now that she's filming outside, I'll anger Xia Qingwei to death here, she can come back to settle her mother's corpse!" Xia Qingyang said cruelly, not thinking at all that Xia Qingwei was her biological sister.

Not to mention, in Lu Man's previous life, Xia Qingyang and Lu Qi really did that.

While Lu Man was in prison, they angered Xia Qingwei to death.

"Do you feel that I haven't been embarrassed enough?" Lu Qi pulled Xia Qingyang back and pushed her to the side, "Don't you dare go! Do you think that Xia Qingwei is as sickly as last time? Her surgery was a success, and Lu Man earns quite well, she would definitely nurse her back to health. The previous times

you saw Xia Qingwei, did you manage to anger her to death? No! You didn't manage to anger her to death, but you made my reputation even worse! Please stop making trouble for me!"

"If it wasn't for you this time, I won't lose the movie and the chance to film a television drama!" Lu Qi hated Xia Qingyang to death now.

Her future was ruined because of Xia Qingyang's idiocy and petty schemes.

"In the future, whatever it is, what I say is final, and now you can stop being my manager! You don't know anything, yet you are so arrogant!"

"How can you say that about me?" Xia Qingyang's lips were trembling as she looked at Lu Qi in shock. She was upset upon seeing the obvious disdain and hate in Lu Qi's eyes.

Her own daughter looked down on her!

Lu Qi warned her again, "I'm telling you, don't go and find Xia Qingwei!"

After saying that, Lu Qi returned to her bedroom angrily.

Sitting on her bed, Lu Qi thought for quite a while. Finally coming up with an idea, she took out her phone and posted on Weibo. "I finally got a chance to film a movie, but it was snatched away by people, and I waited and practiced for more than two months just for nothing. I did not even get a warning, I was still waiting dumbly at home while the movie had already started to film more than a week ago, and I was kept in the dark."

Lu Qi was very low-key recently and did not even dare to appear on Weibo.

Today, she felt that not a lot of people would care about the past scandals anymore, and thus she dared to appear.

"Qi Qi, I finally see you again."

"Qi Qi, we haven't met in so long."

"Who can tell me which movie it is? This is too much, isn't this bullying?"

#### **Chapter 494: Just Thankful To Lu Man**

Lu Qi still had some fans who wrote in her support and suddenly someone commented, "It's probably *Red Tiger*. Before this, *Red Tiger* had some official promotions, and the female lead was Lu Qi. But I heard that *Red Tiger* started filming, and the female lead was replaced with Lu Man. This matches Lu Qi's post."

"It's Lu Man again!"

"The *Red Tiger* production group is bullying people too much, even though it was already agreed upon, how could they change the actor without telling her?"

Learning from Lu Man, Lu Qi bought a trending spot and a few accounts to repost it for her. Not long after, this incident was trending.

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Currently, Lu Man was filming the scene where she was running swiftly, avoiding the rain of bullets.

While Ji Cheng was facing the enemy, Lu Man took the chance to rush into a Jeep and drove over, yelling loudly, "Get in the car!"

Ji Cheng got in while Lu Man helped to cover him.

This scene was done in one shot, and after filming, Ji Cheng praised Lu Man. "Great, it's been so long since I've filmed a scene so smoothly. Lu Man, you were too humble before."

The Liu Chuanhui who was practicing at the side also praised, "Lao Ji, you're really good, where did you find this girl, her acting skills are not bad at all."

"Haha, what if I say that she's a Year One student at the Film Academy, are you shocked?" Ji Cheng said happily.

Liu Chuanhui clicked his tongue. "Then this is a natural talent, she's born to be in this industry."

"Director Ji!" Ji Cheng's assistant Xiao Cheng hurriedly walked over. "Lu Qi is causing trouble online."

"Let me see," Ji Cheng took Xiao Cheng's phone and saw the Weibo post by Lu Qi, and how there were fans who were showing support for Lu Qi, and harshly bashing the *Red Tiger* production group and Lu Man online.

After reading those posts, many netizens who did not know the truth criticized the production group for being morally wrong and scolded Lu Man for snatching Lu Qi's role.

"Lu Man, what do you think?" Ji Cheng instantly sought Lu Man's advice. "It's a pity that we are filming now, and we don't have time to play with her."

"It won't take a lot of time, it's best to strike when the iron is hot." Lu Man returned the phone to Xiao Cheng. "I don't have any parts in the next scene, let me handle this."

"Alright!" Ji Cheng hit his upper thigh in excitement.

After resting for a while, he prepared for the next scene. It was a scene with Liu Chuanhui, Zhang Jian and Ji Cheng, and had nothing to do with Lu Man.

It just happened that the employee in charge of the *Red Tiger's* official Weibo was there too, and so Lu Man called her over, and prepared a post on her phone and sent it to the employee.

Not long after, on Weibo, the *Red Tiger's* official Weibo posted. "We don't know which movie Miss Lu Qi is referring to. But the *Red Tiger's* director, Mr. Ji Cheng, did indeed invite Miss Lu Qi to be the female lead in the *Red Tiger*. The two sides had already finished discussing, but a day before she was scheduled to join the crew, Miss Lu Qi's manager suddenly contacted Mr. Ji Cheng, requesting for an increase in payment, and the price she mentioned was the amount an A-lister in the country would get. At that time, if you've already agreed, why would you suddenly go back on your words the day before you had to join the film crew? Is it that you saw deliberately decided on this crucial time as it would be too rushed for us to contact other celebrities, and thus you wanted to make a profit out of the troubled

situation, we aren't sure. But our film's money, even a dollar or a cent, needs to be invested where it is needed the most and we definitely do not stand for such schemes. Since Miss Lu Qi decided to request for an increase in pay for the film the day before she had to join the production group, then our production group can also change our actors at the last minute."

"Right now, we want to thank Lu Man, because the schedule was tight, Lu Man agreed before discussing the pay for the film. If it were not for Lu Man saving us, we would not even know if our movie could be filmed, and we would have lost too much money. Our hard work for the previous years would have gone to waste. Right now, we are not attacking anyone, we are just thankful to Lu Man, thank you!"

#### **Chapter 495: Serves Lu Qi Right**

The last post was added by the girl in charge of the official Weibo out of her own will.

"Lu Man, I made my own decision," The girl in charge of the official Weibo, Liu Xinyue, said after sending it out, "I feel that just posting the first part is unfair to you. It's you who especially rushed down to save us, but you are being scolded by netizens because of Lu Qi's fake sympathy trick, I can't stand it."

"Well said!" Ji Cheng walked over after filming, "You did well, you should tell people about how Lu Man saved the day and let the netizens see how Lu Qi schemes. How shameless can Lu Qi be to post something so outrageous on Weibo only to attack us!"

"She can take the chance to increase her popularity," Lu Man explained.

"Hehe, it's a pity we aren't that popular." Ji Cheng laughed. "We'll only be popular after the movie premieres."

Lu Man did not think that Ji Cheng would be so honest.

"Director Sun posted on Weibo!" Liu Xinyue exclaimed.

At that moment, everyone hurriedly logged on to their Weibo account.

Sun Yiwu: "I'm also a witness for this incident, at first, Ji Cheng found a lot of people, but no one had the time in their schedule for it, and in the end, he found Lu Qi. Initially, Lu Qi agreed very readily and did not have objections against the amount Ji Cheng was going to pay her. As for that, Ji Cheng checked with her multiple times. But the day before was supposed to join the production group, Lu Qi's mom, who is also her manager, Madam Xia Qingyang, contacted Ji Cheng, saying that Lu Qi was not happy with her pay for the film. She requested her pay for the film to be increased to 3 million yuan. That's the pay for someone of Qiao Luna's level. Before we talk about whether Lu Qi's current position is fitting for that kind of pay, just the act of asking for an increase in pay at the last moment and threatening the director to not join the crew is already too much!"

"Ji Cheng did not have any way to deal with it and came looking for me, asking me if I have anyone suitable candidate since he did not dare to take Lu Qi who went goes back on her words anymore. Who knows if after filming halfway, Lu Qi might have another request. At that time, even if he wanted to find someone else to film, the losses would be even more. So I thought of Lu Man, and after contacting Lu Man, Lu Man agreed without saying anything else, she did not even ask about the pay for the film. it's

just because I brought her into the industry, and cast her in the *Greedy Wolf Operation*, she always remembered that and wanted to pay me back. This silly girl would help even if she did not get any money.”

“One threatened not joining the production group for a pay hike, while the other was willing to act without getting paid, the difference in morals can clearly be seen. There are really very few people in the entertainment industry who remember to be grateful for the things others have done for them. Moreover, to me, choosing Lu Man to act in the *Greedy Wolf Operation* was something very small and ordinary, I did not think that she would remember it at all. So as to Lu Qi’s accusations, and the critique that the netizens have towards Lu Man, I cannot stand it anymore, you all need to know the truth.”

The netizens took one look, this was Sun Yiwu!

One of the top directors in the country.

Such a renowned, reputed director had already spoken out, and as it could be clearly seen, the things were really not like what Lu Qi said.

“If it’s like that, it serves Lu Qi right.”

“Such a cunning person, Lu Qi doesn’t deserve to even get show offers.”

“I had been a fan of Lu Qi in the past, and it’s a good thing I stopped being a fan a long time ago. Now, whenever I go out, I don’t dare to say that I was her fan before, otherwise, everyone will look down on me disdainfully.”

“Asking for 3 million yuan? Who gave her the right to be on the same level as our Luna.”

“She’s just a flop now, even giving her 500 thousand yuan is already good enough.”

“The person above is too polite, it’s already good to give her a show to film, she can still pick and choose. It serves her right that she was only popular for a short time before she became a flop. She should not think about being popular again.”

In an instant, all the netizens ran over to Lu Qi’s Weibo to scold her.

After thinking for a while, Ji Cheng also posted. “Lu Man only brought a manager and an assistant to the set. Our filming environment is especially tough, but Lu Man never complained about it before, and does her job very well, she’s comparable to many of the industry’s older actors.”

#### **Chapter 496: Great Army of the Goddess of Fury**

“Wait, I will send one too!” Liu Chuanhui rolled up his sleeves, taking his phone from his assistant and he quickly posted on Weibo. “If Ji Cheng didn’t tell me about it, I completely won’t have even expected Lu Man to be only a first-year student at a film academy. She doesn’t lose out to us, experienced and old actors, in terms of her grasping and understanding of the character. Her performance is up to par, unlike the other young people nowadays who are overly eager to show off themselves and end up putting in too much unnecessary dramatic effects and force into their performance. Be it with her eyes or body language, each emotion is beautifully expressed! I’m very honored that Old Ji invited Lu Man to join us.”



Everyone in the production crew stood up for Lu Man one after another, speaking up for her. Ji Cheng and Liu Chuanhui always had a good reputation. Seeing that not only Ji Cheng and Liu Chuanhui but even Sun Yiwu was speaking up for Lu Man, everyone was convinced.

“Is it reasonable to go against your promise and ask for a pay raise at the last minute?”

“You shouldn’t have even thought of casting her at all. Ji Cheng, you did a great job!”

“I support Red Tiger. I will definitely buy cinema tickets once the movie premieres.”

“I have high expectations of Lu Man’s acting. She really performed well back in Greedy Wolf Operation.”

When Lu Qi saw that the tables had turned as everyone supported Lu Man. She was so furious that she almost smashed her phone in rage.

She had clearly analyzed Lu Man’s methods of publicity. Wasn’t it just creating a ruckus on Weibo?

Hadn’t she contacted a couple of business accounts and got them to blow it up even more?

Why was it that when it came to her it was all useless!

As the head of Lu Man’s fan club, Xu Ningxian waved her little flag and rallied everyone. “Comrades, someone is trying to cause trouble, you know what we have to do?”

“Force them into a corner!”

All the fans responded one after another.

“Scold them! They have clearly forgotten about the glory of our Goddess of Fury. Let us, the Great Army of the Goddess of Fury remind them all!”

Lu Man: “...”

What sort of a nickname did her fans give her?

What Goddess of Fury? What Great Army of the Goddess of Fury?

Other fans called their idols ‘Zhou Zhou’, ‘Shuangshuang’, ‘Qi Qi’. Their fan club would even have cute little names like ‘Little Boat Family’ too 1 .

Why did it become so strange, absurd when it came to her?

Immediately, Lu Qi’s Weibo was invaded and attacked by the Great Army of the Goddess of Fury.

“Thank you for once again raising the popularity of our Goddess of Fury.”

“Thank you for once again helping us build up the Great Army of the Goddess of Fury.”

“Don’t cause trouble, otherwise, you will find the Goddess of Fury visiting you tomorrow.”

Right now, the staff members in the production crew who were free saw it while refreshing their Weibo and were left astonished, amused too.

Lu Man was a beautiful and dainty young lady, why was she called the Goddess of Fury!

It was such a powerful and dominating name, making her seem like a gangster.

Moreover, all her fans behaved that way too.

Facing their curious looks, Lu Man too was feeling helpless.

She never even imagined that her fans would come up with such a weird nickname for her.

Earlier, Xu Ningxian had come up with many adorable nicknames.

Yet, who knew that before they could vote on one, the recently joined fans already started calling Lu Man the 'Goddess of Fury'.

When Xu Ningxian had finally reacted to it, it was already set in stone.

Not only did Lu Qi fail to create a ripple effect with her post, but she also managed to tarnish her own reputation even more.

Having lost completely, she then contacted the production team of the television show she had rejected previously, but they didn't even want her anymore. "Miss Lu, we're sorry. After you rejected us, we've immediately found a replacement."

Even if they didn't find someone else, they won't dare to cast Lu Qi again too!

Meanwhile, at the National Film Academy's Year 1 Performance Class, Lu Man's classmates were left astonished upon seeing the trending news on Weibo.

Someone exclaimed in shock, "Oh my gosh! Turns out that Lu Man took leave off to film a movie!"

"What?" Someone was shocked and curious, that the person's voice rose much higher and louder.

"Go and take a look at Weibo. She went to film a movie directed by Director Ji Cheng called Red Tiger."

The character for 'Zhou' could also mean 'Boat' in Chinese. **Chapter 497: Some People Would Just Say the Grapes Are Sour When They Can't Have It**

"Gosh, Zhang Xiaoying has only gone to film a television show but turns out that Lu Man has taken on another movie?"

Not only for students in the National Film Academy, but everyone else also felt that acting in a movie was more prestigious than a television show.

As the artists who manage to make it to the silver screen rarely come back to act in television shows again.

Even if they came back for a cameo in a television show, they had much higher pay than the other actors.

The top A-listers actress, Gao Zishan, Dong Qinrong, always starred only in movies. This year, one after another they had announced that they are going to appear on a television show, making the audience go crazy and wild.

Just from their names alone, the audience had already believed that it would definitely be an amazing production.

Although many currently popular young budding male stars and starlets had very high viewership ratings for their television shows, only a handful of them could really get cast in such a big production.

However, Lu Man had debuted with a movie. Not only she had not filmed a television show, but she had also taken on another movie and that too a lead role.

Who said that Lu Man was only lucky the first time, and wouldn't have such great opportunities in the future again?

Unexpectedly, at that moment, Zhang Xiaoying surprisingly appeared right at the door of the classroom.

She was going to join the production crew tomorrow and today, she had intentionally come back to flaunt it off.

Yet who knew that just as she entered, she would get to know that Lu Man had taken leave off to film a movie!

"Do you guys really have to go so crazy? Ji Cheng is only a B-lister in the country. He might have acted in quite some movies, but he was always the supporting character. How many people would actually watch a movie with him as the lead? It may sound good that she's filming a movie. It may seem like she's way up above, but the audience won't buy it either, it's pointless to film it. She would only be a joke to others," Zhuang Tingting said.

Just when Zhang Xiaoying finally felt a little better, Zheng Yuanshi pursed her lips and mocked her. "Hehe, some people would just say the grapes are sour when they can't have it."

Yu Jingxian intentionally tried to cause a rift between them. "Zheng Yuanshi, to think that you guys usually treat Lu Man so well. You guys treat Lu Man as a friend, but what about her? Did you guys even know that she went to shoot a movie?"

Someone like Lu Man who did everything quietly without a word was just like a back-stabber.

"Haha, we knew it about it long ago. Lu Man told us about it the day she applied for leave. Do you think that she would hide it from us? She is just being low-profile, and peacefully shooting her own film. She doesn't like to flaunt it everywhere, making a huge deal out of it," Pan Xue said sarcastically.

Having just managed to calm down, Zhang Xiaoying's face immediately darkened again.

Originally, she was here to collect a ton of envy and admiration from everybody, but who knew that Lu Man snatched it from her, filming a movie now!

How did Lu Man manage to get such good resources!

Seeing that Yu Jingxian was a little tongue-tied and choked by the words, Zhuang Tingting hurriedly continued, "Hehe, she had such a good opportunity, but she didn't even request some side roles for you guys?"

“Omg, look at what you’re saying.” Han Leilei laughed. “How many roles could there be in a movie? Besides, didn’t you see Weibo? Lu Man was asked at the very last minute. All the characters were already decided, they were just lacking a female lead. How could she get those actors who have already signed a contract to leave so that she could rope us in it? This isn’t a television show where the characters keep on adding and you can stuff a bunch of people in it. Moreover, Zhang Xiaoying had long since been booked as the female lead and has been preparing for it for a long time, I don’t see her asking for roles for you guys too! Even if it’s just acting as a servant, right? Moreover, isn’t this character suitable for you too? You guys are already used to acting like that normally.”

Suddenly, the classroom fell silent.

Han Leilei’s mouth sure was evil!

Zhuang Tingting and Yu Jingxian clenched their jaw in anger. “Who are you calling a servant?”

“I’m referring to you two. Normally, you keep sucking up to Zhang Xiaoying, bootlicking her. Isn’t that all just so she could help you guys out a little? It’s ok, you might not have a chance in this show of hers, but you definitely will have the chance in the next.” Han Leilei said sarcastically.

#### **Chapter 498: I’m Here to Fetch Her Back Home**

“Ha, Lu Man didn’t even say a word because she’s probably ashamed. Ji Cheng? Red Tiger? Even those actors in it don’t have any fame at all. The movie also doesn’t have much budget. What more than a so-so film would it even turn out as, anyway? I do want to see when this *so-so movie* gets released and if they even manage to get some box office collection,” Zhang Xiaoying scoffed and turned around, leaving haughtily.

Since Lu Man had already created all the sensation and was in the limelight right now. What was the point of her staying any longer either?

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Today was the last scene of the final largest climax of the entire movie. It was also the last day of Lu Man with the crew.

After this, she would be done with all of her scenes.

Afterward, Ji Cheng was going to bring the cast and crew to Nanhai for filming those scenes without Lu Man in it.

Right now, Ji Cheng was commanding people to set up the various explosion spots at different places. Some of the cars placed along the road were also going to be directly blown up too.

“Director Ji, did our production crew win a fortune? We’re going to make such a big scene today?” Someone asked in surprise.

“Haha, we did make a fortune! Han Corporation added more funds into our movie. Initially, I was still worried about how to cut down on our expenses while trying to make the scene look better. But now I

don't have to worry. We can do it for real now!" Ji Cheng was extremely happy, his heart surging up with pride.

"Director Ji," a familiar voice called.

It was Zheng Tianming.

Lu Man turned around and saw that just about half a step in front of Zheng Tianming stood Han Zhuoli.

He was here!

"Master Han!" Ji Cheng rushed to greet them. "Why did you come here personally?"

"Isn't this the last day of Lu Man's shoot? I'm here to fetch her back home," Han Zhuoli said, his soft gaze falling onto Lu Man.

Lu Man was just walking towards him and when she heard Han Zhuoli's words, for some unknown reason, she felt too emotional, tears welling up in her eyes.

For the past two months, although she was busy filming every day, she never experienced a feeling.

Every single night, no matter how tired she was, she still made a video-call to Han Zhuoli.

However, right now, hearing his words, she realized that she missed home, she missed him.

She tremendously missed spending time with him.

"I also wanted to make sure that there are no kissing scenes," Han Zhuoli said amusingly.

Ji Cheng: "..."

Lu Man: "..."

"No, I guarantee that there aren't any." Ji Cheng hurriedly assured him. "My wife also warned me not to have any kissing scenes with any actress, even if we just make it fake by using such angles. Other my son will settle the score with me."

Ji Cheng's words made Liu Chuanhui and the others burst out in laughter. "Haha!"

"I won't disturb all of you from shooting then," Han Zhuoli said happily. He then looked towards Lu Man and grinned at again.

Han Zhuoli's appearance instantly made Lu Man feel complete.

When they are about to start shooting, Ji Cheng even asked her quietly, "Master Han is here. Would you be nervous? Don't let it affect your performance."

"I won't." Lu Man took in a deep breath and exhaled. "I'll pretend that he's not here."

Ji Cheng: "..."

Lady, you sure are brave!

Finally, Lu Man's last scene officially started. In the movie, Lu Man was in-charge of dispersing the crowd. After they ran past them, cars would explode one after another behind them.

“Quick, move! Hurry!” Lu Man’s face was completely covered in the dust and in her arms, she was protecting a child.

When the explosion went off, Lu Man flew forward and protected the child in her arms.

“Cut!”

The cameras changed and Lu Man did a little preparation. Then, they started shooting the next scene.

This was the first time Han Zhuoli saw Lu Man filming. There were a couple of scenes, Lu Man had done them all in one take.

Some of them were shot again only because the other actors didn’t do it perfectly.

As he watched, Han Zhuoli felt pride surge in his heart. His Man Man was so outstanding in everything she did.

When Lu Man’s scenes were done, there were no other scenes left for the day.

Everyone applauded and Ji Cheng’s assistant Xiao Cheng brought a celebratory cake.

#### **Chapter 499: Man Man, I Really Missed You**

“Lu Man, congratulations on finishing all of your scenes,” Ji Cheng said. “This time, all thanks to you that the filming could be so successful.”

“That’s right. Lu Man, it’s all thanks to you.” Liu Chuanhui passed the knife to cut the cake to Lu Man. “Here, cut the first slice.”

Taking it over, Lu Man expressed her gratitude. “I learned a lot too from acting together with you seniors. I’m also very grateful for Director Ji Cheng for giving me this opportunity.”

Then she cut a slice of the cake.

Since Han Zhuoli had come to fetch Lu Man back, Ji Cheng didn’t organize a celebratory party today.

“Once we get back to City B, let’s have a proper gathering again together once more,” Ji Cheng suggested.

After that, Lu Man left together with Han Zhuoli.

When they left the set, Lu Man realized that there were two cars parked by the side of the road.

“Why are there two cars?” Lu Man asked, feeling strange and curious.

“Zheng Tianming drove his own car.” Han Zhuoli looked at Lu Man meaningfully.

Lu Man: “...”

Meanwhile, Zheng Tianming quietly ran over to the second car, aware that he should not to disturb Han Zhuoli.

This time, Han Zhuoli drove on his own and didn’t ask for a chauffeur.

Lu Man breathed a sigh of relief and took the front passenger seat. As he occupied the driver's seat, Han Zhuoli turned around to face her and suddenly pressed her against the car door.

"You think you'll be safe just because you're taking the front passenger seat?" Han Zhuoli's hot breath fell onto Lu Man's lips.

Not even waiting for a reply, Han Zhuoli kissed her fiercely on the lips.

Lu Man circled her hands around his neck for support as she was being kissed so passionately and fiercely by Han Zhuoli that she couldn't even catch her breath.

She was breathless as Han Zhuoli only gave a second window between their kisses for her to breathe. He sucked on her lips fervently, sealing them shut with his lips.

Just when she felt her lips getting sore, she felt his tongue sneak its way in, curling around hers.

"Mmph," Lu Man moaned as she shuddered in his embrace.

"Little brat, you made me miss you so much." Han Zhuoli's hold around Lu Man tightened as he embraced like a lost child being found by his mother.

Lu Man couldn't even muster up any strength. Even without looking in the mirror, she could still tell that her lips must be extremely swollen right now.

Honestly, Han Zhuoli was actually just trying to satiate his appetite. After all, he won't be able to do anything in the car.

Taking in a deep breath, he finally convinced himself to let Lu Man go after much effort.

Lu Man's cheeks were already flushed a bright shade of red and her eyes in a daze. She was completely confused and stunned, unable to come back to her senses for a long time.

Therefore, Han Zhuoli helped her to buckle up her seat belt. Then, he started the car and drove away.

Only when they reached the airport, did Lu Man finally come back to her senses.

On the other hand, Zheng Tianming had reached the airport long ago. When Lu Man and Han Zhuoli had gotten into their car, Zheng Tianming hadn't waited for them at all and had quickly driven away so that Lu Man won't feel awkward either.

This time, Han Zhuoli took his private jet here.

When they boarded the plane, Zheng Tianming quickly went over to sit with the captain.

After the plane took off and was cruising in the air safely, Han Zhuoli suddenly unbuckled his seat belt and walked over to Lu Man's side.

Lu Man raised her head and asked, "What's the matter?"

Han Zhuoli didn't say a word. Bending down, he just her seat belt and suddenly pulled Lu Man up.

"What are you doing?" Lu Man was still confused and ignorant.

However, Han Zhuoli still kept quiet. Pulling onto Lu Man's hand, he dragged her to the back until they reached a door in the middle of the plane. Pressing a button, he opened the door to the cabin.

Lu Man was left speechless. She never imagined that behind the door, there would actually be a small bedroom.

There was even an LCD screen on the wall and a bed and a private bathroom.

Han Zhuoli pulled her into the bedroom and right after the door closed behind them, Han Zhuoli carried her up.

As soon as Lu Man squeaked in surprise, her lips were sealed shut by Han Zhuoli's.

She subconsciously closed her eyes and was extremely nervous, feeling like she was like floating in the air.

Very soon, he carefully threw her onto the bed and blocked her with his hot body.

"Man Man," Han Zhuoli whispered gently, "I really missed you."

Right then, Lu Man could feel Han Zhouli's hot breath hitting her body and setting it on fire as the warmth of his embrace seeped right into her heart.

#### **Chapter 500: Back with Ill-Intentions**

The time her leaving for filming right after her confession was honestly too coincidental.

She just had a real, truly intimate encounter with him before she had to leave immediately. It was a period where couples would want to be together all the time, obsessed and smitten with each other.

This time, Lu Man missed him dearly too.

"Me too." Lu Man kissed him back.

Because of her words, Han Zhuoli's pupils darkened even more and he suddenly entered her core forcefully.

Lu Man took in a deep breath and hugged Han Zhuoli tightly.

Thankfully, the flight between Xihai and City B wasn't too short. However, even then Lu Man refused to go for a second round with Han Zhuoli.

She really wanted to walk on her after alighting from the plane. She didn't want to feel sore all over and weak in the knees.

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When, Han Zhuoli sent Lu Man back home, knowing that Xia Qingwei also hadn't seen Lu Man for a long time, he quickly left, letting Xia Qingwei and Lu Man spend some quality time together.

In the night, Xia Qingwei and Lu Man were leisurely drinking tea and chatting.



Lu Man was telling her about her two months on the set.

“Bam bam bam!” Suddenly, someone banged loudly on the door.

“What’s the matter? Who is it? Why are they knocking the door like this?” Xia Qingwei frowned and was about to get up.

But Lu Man held her back. “I’ll go take a look instead.”

If someone is knocking like this, they must be having ill-intentions.

However, how could Xia Qingwei rest assured letting Lu Man head there alone? Hence, she followed Lu Man along too.

At first, Lu Man just took a look through the peephole on the door. Surprisingly, it was Lu Qiyuan, his face dark and cold.

Even Lu Man’s face turned cold and she said to Xia Qingwei, “It’s Lu Qiyuan. Let’s ignore him.”

“Right.” Xia Qingwei nodded in agreement.

Just as both of them were ready to head back, the loud banging on the door started again along with the harsh ringing of the doorbell.

It was so late at night, yet he just refused to stop!

The neighbors couldn’t hold back anymore and finally opened the door, shouting, “What are you doing! Stop disturbing others so late at night!”

“I’m here to look for my family.” Lu Qiyuan sneered, “It’s none of your business.”

“I know you. You were here before to harass them.” The neighbor accused Lu Qiyuan.

“How’s that any of your business!” Lu Qiyuan barked, annoyed.

“You sure are shameless! How can you bully a single mother and her child.” The neighbor couldn’t watch any longer.

“What single mother and her child! I’m her father!” Lu Qiyuan roared angrily. Did that person just curse that he was dead?

“Oh so you are her father, then that’s even more shameless of you! Is there any father out there who would behave like you? You keep harming your own daughter, and yet you still have the cheek to say that you are her father?” The neighbor looked at Lu Qiyuan as if he was a lunatic.

“You’re crazy!” Lu Qiyuan scolded.

He was here to look for Lu Man, how was that any of the neighbor’s business!

Lu Qiyuan turned around and continued to hit on the door.

“Can you stop hitting! Maybe they aren’t at home!” the neighbor said.

However, Lu Qiyuan ignored him and shouted as he banged on the door, "Xia Qingwei, Lu Man! I know that you two are in there! Open the door! Open it now! I saw that the lights on when I came here!"

"If you don't open the door, I will keep banging on the door here!"

Xia Qingwei was enraged. If it was just her and Lu Man, it was fine, she would leave Lu Qiyuan to create a huge ruckus on his own.

However, they still had neighbors. They couldn't disturb others just because of their own family issues.

"I'll go open the door," Xia Qingwei said, clearly frustrated and annoyed.

"Let me instead." Lu Man couldn't let Xia Qingwei take the risk no matter what.

She pulled Xia Qingwei behind her and went to open the door alone.

When she opens the door, Lu Qiyuan froze for a moment first. His hand was frozen in the position of banging the door.

After that, he finally came back to his senses. Swinging his hand, he aimed a big slap at Lu Man's face.

Having quick instincts, Lu Man raised her hand and blocked it and Lu Qiyuan's slap landed right on Lu Man's elbow instead.

Despite so, Lu Man still stumbled backward due to Lu Qiyuan's strong force.

Thankfully, he didn't hit her face, but her elbow was still aching pretty badly.

Xia Qingwei was right behind her and she hurriedly held onto Lu Man.