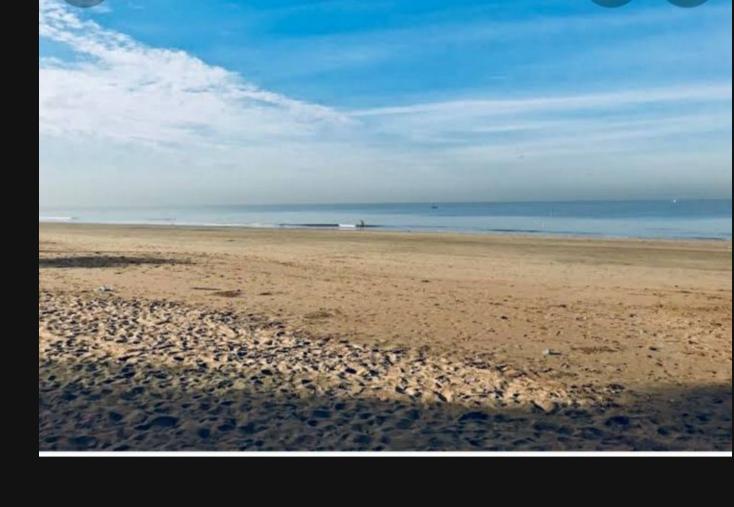
Golden rays of light fell on the sea, reflecting the light back in the sky.

Best thing about living in a city like Mumbai was the peace and tranquility the sea had to o er amidst the chaos! Indeed the sea carried a huge essence of the city with it!



Anil and Nisha had decided to go on a long walk this early morning.

Their daughter, Esha was up late last night studying for her upcoming exams so she was busy sleeping in while the couple had their breath of fresh aur rejoicing the sea.

"Anil?" Nisha called out her husband breaking his stare of the sea.

- " Yes."
  " Did you talk to Anisha?" she asked with hesitation.
- He sighed and looked in the eyes of his wife, " She called and told me

about joining the o ice."

" And what did you say?" She asked afraid of the reply.

- " I wished her good luck, that is it."
- " Bas? Aapka Mann nahi karta apni beti se baat karne ka? Usse
- puchne ka ki kaisj hai, wo waha khush hai ya nahi?("That's it? Don't you ever feel like talking to your daughter? To ask her how is she, is she treated right?)

  "Nisha! Meri ek hi beti hai! (I have only one daughter) His tone had
- finality to it. She could not say anything a er that. A drop of tear followed the other and the light reflected o the tears but she quickly wiped them o.

  " Anil, aapki ek hogi mene to do betiyo ko janam diya hai. Jitna Mann usne humara dukhaya hai utna humne bhi uska dukha diya. Maaf kar
- daughters. How much ever she has hurt us we have also equally hurt her back. Forgive her!)

  She stopped when he showed her the hand. It was as if he could never forgive her!

do use!"( Anil, you might have one but I have given birth to two

Meanwhile, Anisha was busy getting ready for the o ice. She had woken up early and finished all the house chores and a er breakfast

she had thirty minutes to get ready. Right now she was dressed up and was applying her foundation and eye-liner when Mr. MaanSingh made his presence known.



" I must warn you I'm not a good boss."

" So, are you excited?"

" I believe I will live." She replied confidently.

"Oh, you will." He now made his way to stand behind her facing the mirror and put his arm around her waist. With a dip of head he

"I am." she replied with a pep in her tone.

wife? By the way did I say you look beautiful today?"

Anisha's heart had started hammering in her chest when he had whispered in her ears. Her face was graced with a beautiful blush and

Again this ji! Ji is very irritating. Call me A-bhi-man-yu.)

just like that Abhimanyu was goner for her.

"Why can't you?" He asked abashed.

" Th...thank you ji." " Phir se ji! Ye ji muje bohot irritate karta hai! Bolo A-bhi-man-yປ໌."

whispered in her ear, " If you won't then who will tolerate me my dear

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- " I can't." she blushed furiously.
- " Husband ka naam leke nahi bulaate ("Husband is not addressed by his name)
- koi baat nahi sunayi degi teri! Samj®i (This is not done. You call me Abhimanyu else I won't listen to a single thing you uttered.
  Understood?)

  She simply nodded her head.

" Ye koi baat hoti hai? Tune muje Abhimanyu bulaana hai varna muje

She simply nodded her head.

Satisfied Abhimanyu checked the time and asked her, " Are you

" Yes."
" Come on let's go then."

The couple descended the stairs together to be met with their entire

family waiting in the drawing room.

" Why are you all just sitting here?" asked Abhimanyu curiously.

done?"

"It is Anisha's first day in the o ice and we are all waiting to wish her good luck." stated Daljeet.

and blessings from the clan.

Anisha's sister-in-law Jyoti.

Anisha's eyes widened at the gesture and before she could even say a thank you she was passed around the drawing room getting wishes

- Lastly she was greeted by Daljeet who stood with a cup of curd in her hand.
- " Har naye kaam se pehle dahi-shakkar khaakar muh meetha karna chahiye. Ye khaao aur khub safal hond! (Before beginning every new task should eat sweet curd. Eat this and may you have all the success!"
- making this so so special for me."

  " This is what family does, Anisha. And you are family." replied

Anisha swallowed her mouthful and said, "Thank you everybody for

- She smiled at her and stole a glance at her husband who simply smiled back as if he knew she would look at him and mouthed, " I told you. We are family."
- be late now.

  They all followed behind Abhimanyu and got seated in the car.

She smiled gratefully at all of them and Abhimanyu interrupted

saying, "Let's get moving Dad, Bhaiyya and Anisha. We don't want to

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And this is how her first day at o ice begun.