

yaara teri yaari

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INT.ZEBA'S HOUSE-LIVING ROOM-LATE AFTERNOON

Farida bibi, a 70 year old Nano who gracefully brings her grey hair to the front to braid her long, straight and sleek hair. She sips her chai, watches 'Tanhaiyan' and continues to braid her hair. Zeba is sitting on a one-seater, right beside her Nano sipping her chai and constantly typing to send out emails, scheduling meetings and attending calls.

FARIDA BIBI

(ties the knot to her braid)

ahaaa.. zeba jaan ab baas bhi karo...
kitna kaam karoghi subah say baithi ho
iss putlay kay samnay.

ZEBA

bibi, kia karun? ofice my yeh wala
hafta kafi busy hay.

FARIDA BIBI

acha abhi meray sath yeh drama dekho.
band karo isko. jaan per araha hay yeh
aur uper say itni awaz arahi jab tum
liqhrahi ho kay mera dihaan nahi
lagraha hay dramay per.

ZEBA

bibiiii.. acha meri baat tou...

FARIDA BIBI

nahi koi baat nahi suni tumari.. yeh
mera paseendada drama hay yeh dekho
meray sath abhi baith kar. chalo
shabash.. yeh apnay kagzaat or yeh
putla hatoe meray samnay say

ZEBA

ap ki zidd kay agaye kuch bhi nahi hay
bibi.. abhi tak ap apni zidd ki pakki
hay uff

FARIDA BIBI

farida bibi huin- tumnay tou halka
liya wa nano ko apni haan?

ZEBA

(smiles and bends to hug her)

nahi Nano apko bala kon halka laysakta
hay ap tou meri jaan hay

FARIDA BIBI
 aur tum meri jaan ka wahid tukra ho
 jiski farida bibi koi baat nahi taal
 sakti. samjhi?

ZEBA
 jaisay apka hukum

FARIDA BIBI
 badmaash! acha chalo ab yeh drama
 dekho meray saath

Farida bibi, calls Mehnaz, her maid to bring the pandaan to her while she and Zeba continues to watch the drama and sips their chai

FARIDA BIBI
 arey Mehnaz beta, zara sehaan may tou
 ana.

Mehnaz is a 40 year old maid who has been working with Farida bibi as a teenager. She is super active and genuinely cares for Farida bibi. She is in the kitchen cooking dinner.

MEHNAZ
 jeee farida bibi baas abhi aye.. 2
 minute may baas ayi

Mehnaz comes to the living room aka sehan

MEHNAZ
 (while rubbing her hands)
 jeee farida bibi aapnay bulaya?

FARIDA BIBI
 haan mehnaz zara meray kamray say
 paandaan tou lay a

MEHNAZ
 jee bibi abhi laye

Mehnaz goes to the room to bring bibi's paandaan.

MEHNAZ
 yeh lay bibi aur kuch chayeh? tou wo
 layeon phir khana pakarahi huin raat
 ka

FARIDA BIBI
 arey pagli idher baitho meray paas.
 paan ki riwayat bhool gayi? paan

banoe tou sab mil kar khaye. kyun zeba jaan?

ZEBA

jee nano apka hukum saar ankhoun per

MEHNAZ

baat tou theek hay. acha rukay may choola zara halka kar kay ati huin yeh nahi kay chawal jaljaye

FARIDA BIBI

acha jaldi ja aur jaldi say aja- may paan banati huin tab tak haam teenoun kay liye

ZEBA

acha nano ap paan banaye jab tak may kapray change karkay aoen aur yeh saaman apnay kamray may rak dun

FARIDA BIBI

kahin jana hay kia?

ZEBA

jee Nano...ghar ki kuch cheezain chahyeh mehnaz aapa batarahi thi kay khatam hogayi hay aur mujhay shampoo waghira chahyeh thay

FARIDA BIBI

acha acha... acha joe jaldi aoen idher phir... arey mehnaz kahaan reh gayi tum?

MEHNAZ

jee bibi aye baas pani bhar rahi thi..

Farida bibi starts to make three paan. Mehnaz joins in and sits on the carpet with her. Zeba also joins after a few minutes. Farida bibi hands over the paan to Zeba and Mehnaz and eats one herself

FARIDA BIBI

(while eating the paan by herself)
kaisay laga paan? bilkul karaykar daar banaya meri do jaandaar betiyoun kay liye

MEHNAZ

wah kiya paan hay.. aik dam mast..

maza aagaya. apkay haath ka paan
khanay ki baat hee kuch aur hay.
achanak jaan may jaan ajati hay qasam
say

ZEBA

bilkul theek kaha apnay mehnaz apa
meri nano ka kamaal hee kuch aur hay

FARIDA BIBI

acha buhat karli tareefain chalo utho
aur apnay apnay kaam nibtoen- may
apnay kamray may jakar thora quran
parhlu ab

MEHNAZ

jee aur may kitchen may baas raat ki
tayaari mukammal karlu

ZEBA

mehnaz apa may supermarket jarahi huin
aur koi ghar ki cheez chahyeh us list
kay ilawa jho apnay di thi?

MEHNAZ

nahi zeba beta.. baas waahi laykaro
ajoe.. filhal tou mujhay kuch yaad
nahi araha

ZEBA

jee mehnaz apa

FARIDA BIBI

mehnaz zara tv tou baand kar ab-
kaanoun may dard horaha hay ab

Mehnaz looks for the remote and switches off the tv. Farida
bibi bends a little to get her walker and Zeba takes the last
sip of her chai.

All of a sudden, as Farida bibi stands up she starts
coughing. Dry cough. Zeba and Mehnaz exchanged quick
extremely concerned glances and insists on Farida bibi to sit
back

ZEBA

nano? nano kia hogaya hay apko achanak
say? mehnaz apa please jaldi say paani
laykar aaye

MEHNAZ

jee beta abhi gaye

ZEBA

saada pani please theek hay.. nano?

FARIDA BIBI

(while coughing)

ze..zeb..zebaa be..beta patani kia
ho..ga..

ZEBA

acha acha ab kuch na bolay. Mehnaz apa
please jaldi

Farida bibi continues with the dry cough. Mehnaz brings the water

MEHNAZ

yeh lay

ZEBA

nano yeh lay ahista ahista pani ka sip
lay .. shayad paan phas gaya ho..

FARIDA BIBI

(sips water and coughs)

mu.. mujh.. mujhay laytna hay ab

MEHNAZ

bibi aye may apko layjati huin apkay
kamray may

ZEBA

nano ap thora aram karay may apkay
liye dawaiyan lay kar ati huin ok.
mehnaz apa mujhay foran phone karna
agar koi bhi masla ho may pehlay
dawayi laykar ati huin foran...

MEHNAZ

jee jee zeba beta Allah ki madad...

ZEBA

(indicates to nano)

nano please apna dihaan rakhay may yun
gayi aur yun ayi

Farida bibi stops coughing. Mehnaz takes her to her room while Zeba rushes to her car and head towards the OG superstore.

EXT. THE FAMOUS GUL KHAN SUPERSTORE-EVENING

'The famous Gul Khan superstore has been the OG store for Zeba and her two childhood long lost bestfriends; Sharmeen and Meena. Gul Khan, a 58 year old man who is the kindest, funniest, super welcoming and warmest man for everyone who has ever visited his store. His store is designed in a way which radiates comfort and warmth. The floor is carpeted and the space is small but not too small to make anyone feel chaotic or suffocated but small to make you feel cozy. With all the antique furniture placed in a manner that you wouldn't need to blink an eye for finding something. An epitome of positive vibes is what that store is. He would greet you in a manner that you would forget all your worries and would be forced to pass a smile. From sneaking in to the shop to buying candies, chocolates and a lot other junk to playing hide and seek and to bumping into shelves and cleaning the store, the three bestfriends have experienced it all.

Zeba pushes the door and walks steadily inside.

GUL KHAN

(with a big toothy smile, placing one side of shawl on his shoulder and walking out of the counter to greet her)

mashaallah mashallah...aj tou eid ka chand nikla hay jho zeba beti meri store per ayi hay.. kesi ho betay? aur itnay dinoun kay baad aye ho? itni ghabriwee kyun ho?

ZEBA

Uncle G..Uncle Gul nano ko achanak say khansi shuru hogayi hay... isliyah thori pareshan huin

UNCLE GUL

arey zeba beta khansi tou normal see cheez hay kia hogaya hay? issmay itna ghabrana kyun hay? kal doctor ko dekhadayna. abhi yahan say dawai layjoe

ZEBA

jee mujhay suduri aur strepsils aur johar joshanada day daye baas abhi

UNCLE GUL

ussay pehlay tum aik lambi saans lo

aur sukoon karo. allah khair
karayegha. farida bibi ko kuch nahi
honay wala baari jaandar aurat hay
mashaallah!

ZEBA

acha uncle gul ap layayena jaldi
dawayi mujhay ghar jana hay phir foran

UNCLE GUL

acha acha beti thayro- harwaqt aisay
ati ho jaisay koi train chutnay wali
ho

ZEBA

Uncle Gul aik tou apki baatein kabhi
khatam nahi hoti

Uncle Gul goes to gather the stuff. Zeba scans through the shelves of shampoos and conditioners. She is holding the shampoo bottle and reading through the instructions. She raised her head to see where Uncle Gul is when she hears a distinct yet familiar voice. It was her bestfriend Sharmeen.

SHARMEEN

danG bitch! 23 and still indecisive?

Zeba jerks off and instantly recognized the brown freckled face. Zeba runs towards her to hug her.

ZEBA

(hugging her)

holy crap is this for REAL you????
fucking pinch me so I can sense the
surreal reality???

Sharmeen pinches Zeba and Zeba screams

ZEBA

OUCH! damn you hoe relax??? literally
you haven't changed a bit man??

SHARMEEN

so haven't you????

ZEBA

ok literally update me about..

UNCLE GUL

zeba beta? ohooooo mashaAllah kia yeh
waahi dost hay tumari jiskay sath tum

poori store may bhaga kartay thay?
kia naam tha? sa.. samina?

SHARMEEN

jee uncle Gul. may wahi huin. ap
kaisay hay? aap tou bilkul waisay hee
hain.. wahi topa waahi shalwar kurta
wahi hansa wah bhaye?

UNCLE GUL

buddha hogaya huin laqin dil tou jawan
hayna oh shawa oh shawa!

ZEBA & SHARMEEN

(together)

hahahah Uncle Gul yaar

ZEBA

acha aap samaan lay aye?

UNCLE GUL

Jee beta.. asal may wo aik customer
agayi thi so unka saaman ka hisaab
karnay lag gaya. yeh lo guriya.

SHARMEEN

yeh dawayi kyun li hay? khairiyat?

ZEBA

yaar sharmeen nano ki achanak say
tabiyat thori kharab hogayi hay.
achanak say khansi shuru hogayi yaar
tou isliyah foran agayi yeh dawayi
laynay

SHARMEEN

damn is nano ok man? i hope sh's
great???

ZEBA

ya ya she's better now. lets go home
man lit update me about your life??? i
need to fill in with your details

SHARMEEN

ya i wanna meet nano man its been
ages!!

Uncle Gul goes back to address the customers in the store
while Zeba and Sharmeen step out.

ZEBA

Uncle Gul allah hafiz! haam jarahay hay.

UNCLE GUL

allah hafiz guriya! farida bibi ko salam kehna acha

ZEBA

jee jee

SHARMEEN

man this dude hasn't changed a bit? i lit feel like sometimes he is just extra chummy with you???

ZEBA

hahaha omg SJ stop assuming!! and disgusting he is 58 year old man???

SHARMEEN

(rolls eyes)

yeah as if you don't know men attention whore???

ZEBA

hold this i'll bring my car here

Sharmeen nods. Zeba brings the car and they go over to Zeba's place.

INT. ZEBA'S HOUSE- LIVING ROOM- LATE EVENING

Zeba rings the bell and Mehnaz opens the door.

MEHNAZ

ajoe ajoe beta.. arey yeh tou tumari bachpan ki dost hayna? kia naaam tha? sha.. shabana? hmm?

ZEBA

jee jee mehnaz apa ap nay bilkul sahi pehchana. bachpan ki saheli hay aur sharmeen naam hay shabana nahi

SHARMEEN

(hugs her)

salam mehnaz apa kesi hay aap?

MEHNAZ

haan haan .. may theek huin beta

bilkul bindaas. tum kesi ho? aur itnay saaloun kay baad ab ayi ho ghar per?

ZEBA

aploug aram say karayegha baatein pehlay bataye mehnaz apa nano ki tabiyat kesi hay ab?

MEHNAZ

haan ab behtar hay beta.. tum jaisay gaye na.. thori dair kay baad theek hogaye thi isliyah tumaye phone nahi kiya

ZEBA

chalien Allah ka shukar.. sharmeen ajoe nano say mil lo pehlay tum

INT. ZEBA'S HOUSE- NANO'S ROOM- LATE EVENING

ZEBA

meri pyaaru nano ki tabiyat ab theek hay? farida bibi kab dhor rahi hay phirse?

ZEBA

acha nano jaan dekhaye kon aya hay meray sath?

FARIDA BIBI

(getting up from bed)

arey mujhay utnay tou do pehlay iss palank say. mehnaz nay tou mujhay idher say hilnay nahi diya.

Farida bibi sits straight on the bed.

FARIDA BIBI

khair kon aya hay zeba?

SHARMEEN

nano may ayen huin islamabad say. pechana apna?

FARIDA BIBI

arey pagli yaadash thori na kho baithi huin may apni. thori umar guzargayi hay laqin dil tou abhi tak zinda hay na. acha zeba joe shamain ko layjoe apnay sath- kuch khiloe piloe aur mehnaz ko idher bhejdiyoun

SHARMEEN

(grinning)

nano yaar shamain nahi sharmeen kabhi
 tou mera naam sahi laylain. acha
 tabiyat ko kia huwa apki?

FARIDA BIBI

arey haan sharmeen beta.. tabiyat
 theek hay baas yeh zeba haina choti
 choti cheezain laykar itni pareshan
 hojati hay.. aik mamooli si khansi thi

ZEBBA

sirf apkay mamlay may pareshan hojati
 huin nano- ap meri jaan hay.

FARIDA BIBI

acha acha chalo abhi joe tumloug
 baitho gupshup lagoe filhal.. phir
 raat ka khana saath khatay hay

ZEBBA

acha nano koi kaam ho tou bulwaylaygha
 theek hay- aur please apna khayal
 rakhein may mehnaz ko kehti huin kay
 kheechri banadein apkay liye. aur dahi
 mangwalay taj khan say.

FARIDA BIBI

sahi sahi

Zeba and Sharmeen leaves nano's room and heads over to Zeba's room. Zeba calls Mehnaz midway and ask her to check nano and make kheechri for her.

INT. ZEBBA'S HOUSE-ZEBBA'S ROOM-EARLY NIGHT

Sharmeen goes to sit in her favourite place which was the bean bag.

SHARMEEN

danG! man your rooms looks cozier now
 than before??? but this bean bag will
 always has a special place

ZEBBA

yeah abhi rennovate karaya tha kuch
 arsa pehlay. acha bro leave
 everything. how come you're here???
 all of a sudden???

SHARMEEN

yaar i'm here to help my dad file a lawsuit against by absolute mfs relatives who have sucked the life out of my dad man.

SHARMEEN

the thing is- long story short- do you remember these three chachas of mine who since birth had bad blood god knows why against my dad has quite literally siezed the property which is of my dad's and this property is super important to us because of two reasons: a) this property basically the land was given to dad by his father willingly and dad wants to take care of it as a last sign of his father's and b) dad need to give this property on rent to pay my debt for the law education so we are badly fucked. the relatives have seized the property and insist on selling at an appreciated value and would without blink of an eye keep all the profits?????

ZEBA

wait.. wait man this is straight up insane??? so precisely you're to here to fight them in court right because the reside here and the property's here too?

SHARMEEN

yes sis and the coming weeks would be so fucking hectic

ZEBA

you know im right here right? just pls don't stress over and you have the guts and the balls and everything to kick their asses go badass on them quite literally

ZEBA

(fist punch)

but woah my ultimate rock is now a lawyer damn girl, without a blink you would be slaying in those lawyer outfits????

SHARMEEN

i just graduated?? im freaking out in my gut??? as much as lawyers look cool on the outside- its the worse on the inside- if you don't twist words and or if you lose your emotional calm you're straight up doomed???

ZEBA

(does this gesture with hands-)
but you've been perfectly brilliant at bs-ingggg

SHARMEEN

ok enough of you hyping me up now tell me hows your love life going along???? how's umer man? or is it another man now because we havent't ctalked since like idk 7 months????

ZEBA

its umer only but man he's being so so weird these days idk whats up with him?

SHARMEEN

he's just horny??? go suck him already???

ZEBA

no wait.. he is just acting super distant these days.. like from 5 calls in a day to just check in to one half-hearted call at night??? like last night i called him and he said oh it slipped my mind to call you and im sitting there wondering wait what you just 'forgot' about you are dating me??

SHARMEEN

but wait its just one time right- lets give a benefit of doubt. i mean he would be busy or caught up in a commitment?

ZEBA

true man but its not that he is doing a job right now? he is free and searching for jobs online and apart from that it hasn't happened once?

like when i called him last night he was like oh i'm sorry i forgot to call you and we did the small talk of how was your day and he just said fine??? and nothing much and then he says oh listen i got to go because i am so sleepy????

SHARMEEN

hmmm.. sounds a bit fishy???

ZEBA

and not only this? like today i messaged him about nano's tabiyat and its lit night and he hasnt gotten back to me??? this other day he messaged me saying lets meet today and then literally SJ ghosted me for the entire day???? not only this this other day he was lets meet and i was yeah sure and then we lit planned the date and time and place and i reached there and he STOOD ME UP can you just imagine...

ZEBA

so don't tell me about giving a benefit of doubt??? bcs a person like me who would never think for a sec to give a benefit of doubt esp to men has given so many already???

SHARMEEN

bro ya ure right- something is up and i'm sorry this happened i assumed your relationship was going smooth af and umer wasn't one of the trashy men but guess what jokes on us???

ZEBA

bro i need to find out what's up kia karun yaar- maybe will call him up and literally confront him now.

SHARMEEN

ya that sounds great? bro let's do it tonight??? after dinner??? im staying the night anyways because the coming weeks are super intense

ZEBA

yooo sounds like a plan???? but before
that we need to do our movie night
together literally???

SHARMEEN

yeah how can i forget that???

Mehnaz calls the girls for dinner.

MEHNAZ

larkiyoun chalo ajoe khanay tayar hay

ZEBA

wait is this mehnaz apa calling? what
time is it?

SHARMEEN

yeah yeah she's calling let's go have
dinner- i'm starving now it lit 930
now

ZEBA

yeah time to jam with nano now

Zeba and Sharmeen heads over to the living room.

INT. ZEBA'S HOUSE- LIVING ROOM- NIGHT

FARIDA BIBI

aoen aoen bachiyoun. kia huwa karli
gupshup?

SHARMEEN

jee nano.. yeh long-distance
friendships ko nibhana bara mushkil
kaam hay aur ap zeba ko jaanti tou hay
texting issay hoti hay nahi aur itni
phone per bhi nahi karti baat

FARIDA BIBI

haan yeh tou.. but hamaray zamanay may
tou yeh phone, laptops waghira tou
nahi thay so khatoun kay zaryeh rabta
rakhtay thay wo bhi alag dour tha
kaafi

SHARMEEN

jee nano aur utna hee piyaar aur
khuloos bhi tha logoun may

FARIDA BIBI

jho baat hay.. haam bhi sahelian aik
doosray ko khat liqha kartay thay phir
kia shaadi hogayi aur baas sab masroof
hogaye

Mehnaz Apa is setting up the table.

FARIDA BIBI

laqin yeh baat tou hay tum teenoun ki
dosti kaafi paaki hay. Allah khush aur
abaad rakhay baas

ZEBA

nano teenoun dostain?

FARIDA BIBI

haan wo teesri kon thi jho thori
masoom si ur bachi bachi jaisi thi...

MEHNAZ APA

acha chalein khana tou shuru karein
thanda hojayegha.. baatien tou chalti
rehenghi

ZEBA

aaaa meri paseendada lab-e-shireen bhi
banayi hay mehnaz apa apnay maza
agaya.. kafi dil chahraha tha mera yeh
khanay ko

SHARMEEN

arey zebaa.. tum meenu ko bhool gayi?

ZEBA

areeyyyy meri tou kab say baat nahi
huwi ussay- tumari huwi ussay? kesi
hay woh kahan hay wo? US may thi na?

FARIDA BIBI

haan meenu agaya naam yaad.. acha
mehnaz chal aja tu bhi khalien-
invitation laykar doun tujhay? zeba
zara khichri pass karna

ZEBA

jee nano.. yeh lay

SHARMEEN

(nodding)

haan theek hay woh.. meri kuch do

mahinay pehlay baat huwi thi.. tou wo
abhi US may hee hain per kehrahi thi
zaroon kay sath thoray issues
chalrahay hay

FARIDA BIBI

miyan biwi may tou chaltay rehtay
hay.. allah khair karay.. chalo
sharmeen tumari tou plate hee khali
hay.. khana daalo

SHARMEEN

arey nano kitna khilaynghi moti
hojounghi

FARIDA BIBI

exercise karlayna phir gym shym may
chalay jana hojounghi fit

FARIDA BIBI

mehnaz tu khalay phir zara sheesha tou
layana aur paandaan bhi theek- abhi
mehfil jamatay hay.

MEHNAZ

jee farida bibi

FARIDA BIBI

bachiyoun tum thori help karadayna
mehnaz ko table uthwanay may bichari
ab wo bhi thak gayi hay

ZEBA

jee nano yeh kia kehlay ki baat hay

SHARMEEN

zeba zara lab-e-shireen pass karna

ZEBA

haan haan yeh lo na

FARIDA BIBI

sharmeen beta tou tum abhi lahore kyun
aiywe ho? khairiyat?

SHARMEEN

jee nano wo asal may abhi yehi
batarahi thi abhi zeba ko meray dadyal
waloun nay thora masla kia hay way
zameen kay mamlay ko laykar- wo loug
asal may zameen baichna charahay hay

jho unkay naam bhi nahi hay. tou may
 aur ami abu aye hay islamabad takay
 yeh mamlay zara dekh sakay

FARIDA BIBI

aye haye aik tou rishtedar bhi na
 kabhi asteen ka saanp say kam nahi
 hotay.. snapoun ki tarah dastay hay
 baith kar tab hee jakar chain naseeb
 hota inko- chalo Allah malik hay beta

SHARMEEN

jee nano allah khair karay ab

MEHNAZ

sab behtar hogha sharmeen beta..
 tension na lo.. acha farida bibi sirf
 sheesha aur paandaan chahyeh na?

FARIDA BIBI

haan beta.. chai bhi rakhdayna phir

ZEBA

mehnaz apa pls meray kamray say
 ciggarrette ka packet layayegha- table
 per para hogha. lighter bhi hogha
 saath

MEHNAZ

jee beta layati huin-paani peelu phir
 layati huin

ZEBA

jee mehnaz apa-abhi haam nano ka behad
 paseendada drama dekhaye 'tanhaiyan'
 sutta lagayegaye, chai way peeyangaye
 aur phir jayengaye kamray may sharmeen

FARIDA BIBI

haan bhaye yeh tou yahan ka riwaj
 hay.. sab milkar dinner kay baad
 baithay aur aram say mehfil jamatay
 hay. phir kia pata meri zindagi rehay
 ya nahi

MEHNAZ & ZEBA

(in complete sync)

farida bibi! nano!

ZEBA

aise baat kia karnay ki zarurat hay

yaar apko

SHARMEEN

nano apko allah lambi umer day..

Mehnaz goes to bring suddus and the sheesha and pan daan.

SHARMEEN

chalain zeba khaliya tumnay tou uthana
shuru karay?

ZEBA

haan haan mera tou pait buhat bhar
gaya hay yaar

SHARMEEN

same

ZEBA

nano apnay theek tarah say khaya?

FARIDA BIBI

jee meri jaan. may maast huin tum meri
itni fiqar nahi karo itni

ZEBA

nano aik tou ap bhi na

Mehnaz returns and keep the stuff in the living room and goes back to kitchen to make chai. Zeba and Sharmeen stands up and starts to clean the table while Farida bibi moves to her takht.

SHARMEEN

iss lab-e-shireen ka kia karun zeba?
chota si pyali may shift kardun?

ZEBA

haan kardun- yeh rahi saaf piyali hay
iss may daldo

SHARMEEN

sahi hay

Farida Bibi sits on the takht and starts to make pan for the three of them.

FARIDA BIBI

arey ab aabhi joe tum donoun. Zeba

zara mehnaz ko bhi bulaloe jaldi- yeh
ghar kay kama tou hotay rehangaye.
itnay dinoun kay baad sharmeen aye hay
hamaray yahan tou ajoe sab mehfil
jamatay hay.

ZEBA

jee nano may bula layi

SHARMEEN

nano you are my favourite person- apki
bas yehi zinda dili aur pur khulooos
shaqsihat say mujhay bayinteha pyaar
hay.

FARIDA BIBI

fav..faright? oho aik tou yeh
tumdonoun jho angrezi kehtay ho sar
kay uper say chalijati hay... angrezi
may kia hay.. hukumat karkay
chalaygaye yeh goray loug laqin aj tak
bas unki ghulami karrahay hay.

SHARMEEN

wah kia baat kehdi hay farida bibi-
100 percent baat durst hay

FARIDA BIBI

aur nahi tou kia.. acha chalo larkiyan
ajoe jaldi.. mehnaz areyyy mehnaz
kahan reh gayi.. yeh zaroor kitchen
saaf karnay baith gayi hogi

ZEBA

nano baas yeh table bhi hogayi hay
saaf- yeh saman kitchen may rakh kar
thora help karakar arahay hay baas
idher.. chalo sharmeen jaldi ajoe

SHARMEEN

chalo

FARIDA BIBI

haan haan.. yeh bata kar joe sharmeen
tum konsa khoeghi paan? sad khushbu ya
meetha lagoe tumaray liye?

SHARMEEN

meetha lagaday nano

Farida bibi makes paan. Zeba and Sharmeen picks everything up

from the table and heads over to the kitchen. Mehnaz is done washing dishes and is pouring tea in the teapot. Zeba and Sharmeen quickly cleans up the kitchen and the three of them goes to the living room and sits on the carpet with a tray of teapot, four cups, sugar and cigarettes, lighter and paan.

ZEBA

nano drama start karu?

FARIDA BIBI

thori dair may dekhtay hay.. pehlay
thori gupshup tou hojaye..

MEHNAZ

farida bibi chai barhu?

FARIDA BIBI

haan haan bharday mehnaz

MEHNAZ

sharmeen beta ap cheeni logaye?

SHARMEEN

haan baash thori si lunghi-aik chamach

Mehnaz pours the tea in the cups and hand it over

MEHNAZ

yeh lo zeba tumari, sharmeen yeh
tumari aur Farida bibi yeh apki.. aur
yeh meri..

ZEBA & SHARMEEN

thank you mehnaz apa

FARIDA BIBI

yeh lo hogaye paan ready tum sab kay..
sharmeen yeh lo tumara meetha pan,
zeba tumara sada khushbu aur yeh lo
mehnaz tumara seedha double pati
paan...

SHARMEEN

nano yehi paan ki itni yaad arahi thi
islamabad may qasam say.. ap konsa
khayenghi nano

ZEBA

nano tou bhaye special khati hay- sada
khushbu aur double pati paan mila
kar..

FARIDA BIBI
 mehnaz hooka may koila tou laagha aur
 wo mint flavour lagana aj

MEHNAZ
 jee farida bibi

Mehnaz burns the coal and adds the flavour while Sharmeen and Zeba lights up a cigarette.

FARIDA BIBI
 acha tou larkiyoun yeh baat batoe yeh
 kon wo tumari teesri dost.. mee..
 meena kay shohar ka kia naam tha?

SHARMEEN
 zaroon.

FARIDA BIBI
 arey yeh wahi tou banda nahi jho
 tumloug ka dost bhi huwa karta tha aik
 zamanay may?

SHARMEEN
 nano ko tou sab yaad hay

FARIDA BIBI
 yadaash thori na gayi hay meri

ZEBA
 (smoking)
 aur haan zaroon dost bhi tha tou na
 hamara aur mujhay do teen baar drop
 karnay aya tha tou nano kay paas baith
 bhi gaya tha aur poora aik ghantay ka
 session lagaya tha inonaye

SHARMEEN
 (throwing the filter)
 wah bhaye sahi sahi

FARIDA BIBI
 tou ab zaroon say baat nahi hoti tum
 lougon ki?

ZEBA
 (throwing off the filter)
 nano ab itna arsa hogaya hay sab apni
 zindagoun may itna masroof hogaye hay
 kay nahi hoti hay ab baat. meri meena
 say kaafi arsay say baat nahi huwi

SHARMEEN

(lighting another cig)
 aur nano phir meena aur zaroon ki
 shaadi bhi hogaye aur phir US
 chalaygaye tou time difference aur
 phir kaafi masroofiyat ajati hay tou
 isliyah itna mauqa nahi mila..

FARIDA BIBI

tou abhi bhi yeh donoun US may hee
 hain?

SHARMEEN

jee nano meri last baat kuch 2 mahinay
 pehlay huwi thi kafi lambi tou tab tak
 tou US may hee thi.. khair meena
 kehrahi thi kay kuch maslay chalrahay
 hay

FARIDA BIBI

allah khair karay aur kia- baas unkay
 haq may behtri karay- sharmeen tou tum
 bhi wapis chali joeghi jab yeh masla
 hal hojayegha

SHARMEEN

jee nano.. abhi tak tou yehi plan hay
 kay ama abu kay sath wapsi chali
 joenghi. aur phir wahan per islamabad
 may hee job karunghi

FARIDA BIBI

haan yeh bhi theek hay..ab wahin per
 settle hogaye ho tou phir kia masla
 hay

SHARMEEN

jee baat tou hay nano laqin lahore ki
 yaad ati hay.. lahore tou beshaq
 lahore hay.. islamabad may sukoon hay,
 safayi hay, greenery hay, acha mausam
 hay, sarkhan achi hay laqin nano buhat
 jaldi sojata hay islamabad

Mehnaz, Zeba and Farida bibi laughs.

FARIDA BIBI

baat tou theek hay. lahore may bhi
 khudp pasandi aur guroor buhat hay
 laqin lahore ki baat alag hay.. balay
 samandar nahi hay laqin tareeq say

mala maal hay lahore

SHARMEEN

baat tou theek hay..

FARIDA BIBI

shaadi tou nahi karrahi na sharmeen
abhi?

ZEBA

nano yeh kar hee na lay abhi..

FARIDA BIBI

haan bilkul theek jab tak khud apnay
paoen per kharay na hojoe koi zarurat
nahi hay shaadi karnay ki- shaadi may
rakha hee kia hay baas bachay kartay
joe aur shohar ki khuwashiyat kay liye
apni khuwaishayat ka gala ghotdo..

SHARMEEN

kia baat kehdi nano aik aur sutta
hojaye iss baat per kyun zeba? sab
karna hay abhi laqin shadi nahi.. saas
ko manoen kabhi tou shohar udaas..
shohar ko manoe tou saas udaas nahi
bhai shadi ki janjhat may nahi parna
hay filhal..

ZEBA

haan haan aoen lagaye aik aur suttu..
jbh sirf paisay kamanay hay aur uranay
hay abhi..

FARIDA BIBI

yeh huwi na baat.. theek hay phir aoen
may bhi lagoe aik kash.. mehnaz tum
bhi laga aik

MEHNAZ

jee farida bibi.. kyun nahi.. arey
yaad aya farida bibi sharmeen ko zeba
ka rishta kay baray may tou bataye jho
aya tha pichlay mahinay

FARIDA BIBI

arey hahaha haaan haan kia yaad dila
diya tumnay mehnaz

ZEBA

mehnaz apa hhahahah yeh tou may bhi

bhool gayi thi uff kia yaad dila diya

SHARMEEN

acha bataye tou aisa kia huwa tha

FARIDA BIBI

mehnaz tum hee khud kyun batati
sharmeen ko

MEHNAZ

arey haan haan kyun nahi.. sharmeen
beta tou yeh aik din in ka phone
aya... larkay ki maa ka.. ab farida
bibi nay phone uthaya aur unhonay nay
apni khuwahsish ka izhar kia kay zeba
beti ko hmaray ghar ki bahu banaday..
poochnay per kay kaisay jantay hay
hamaye tou wahi hamary rishetydar
jismay hamari baat tak nahi hoti, aur
jinko zeba itni pasand bhi nahi hay
kyunkay zeba unki nazar may awara hay
aur farida bibi nahi kafi beghra hay
unhonay nay number day diye tha hamara

Farida bibi takes a kash and Sharmeen and Zeba lights another
cigarette. Zeba pours more tea for sharmeen and herself.

MEHNAZ

acha tou wo yeh kehney lagi kay zeba
ki shaadi karaday ab.. farida bibi ki
bhi taangein qabar may hay ab aur
larkiyaan itni awara achi nahi
lagti... Farida bibi nay tou phir jho
rakh rakh kar sunayi hay..

ZEBA

ajeer yaar- koi ajeer fazool loug thay
aik tou phone karkay rishta mangrahay
thay aur phir kehtay hay ap ki 'awara
beti ko thora qabu karlay aur shadi
karaday'

FARIDA BIBI

majal unki yeh farida bibi kay ghar
yeh phone karkay kahien.

SHARMEEN

uff Allah.. yeh kia tha???? farida
bibi apnay kia kaha?

FARIDA BIBI

khair maynay inkaar kardiya aur do
teen batoeun ka jawab day diya lqin
akhri may yeh kehdiya kay chaalo maan
liya mera poen qabar may hay laqin
aisa na ho bibi kay tum pehlay uthwali
joe tou ehtiyat karay kuch bhi bolnay
say pehlay..chaudary kay khandaan ki
huin kisi ki aj tak yeh majal nahu
huwi kay yeh kesakay

SHARMEEN

wah kia bomb giraya hay apna bhi nano
un per aur kis tarah kay loug hay iss
duniya may... banday ko souchna
chahyeh 100 cheezain kehney say
pehlay..

ZEBA

kuch hotay hay jinsay baat karnay ka
bhi koi faida nahi hota.. kia
karsaktay hay ab

FARIDA BIBI

khair choro yeh baatein... chalo ab
subah mulaqat hoti hay. May bhi joe
palang per laytu aur mehnaz bhi subah
say uthiwee hay. tum loug bhi apnay
kamray may jakar aram karo

SHARMEEN

chalein theek hay nano

MEHNAZ

haan chalay sonay chaltay hay ab.. may
yeh saman uthalayti huin aur kitchen
may rakh dayti huin... ab subah hee
donghi.. abhi tou hmat nahi

FARIDA BIBI

haan haan mehnaz subah hee dona

MEHNAZ

jee acha zeba beta nano ko unkay
kamray may laykar joe may ati huin

ZEBA

jee jee ap baas yeh rakhday kamray may
aur choti light baas khuli rakhaye gha
theek hay

Mehnaz nods. Zeba and Sharmeen helps nano to go her bed while Mehnaz picks up the ashtray, tea cups, teapot and clear everything from the living room and heads over to keep it in the kitchen. Farida bibi and Zeba and Sharmeen is in Farida bibi's room. Farida bibi drinks a glass of water and lie down on bed. Zeba and Sharmeen bids their goodnight to nano and Zeba plants a cheek on her forehead. Mehnaz comes in her room and places the mattress and bids goodnight and goes to sleep. Zeba and Sharmeen then heads over to Zeba's room.

INT. ZEBA'S HOUSE- ZEBA'S ROOM- LATE NIGHT

SHARMEEN

(stretches)

aaaaa.. give me a pajama and a shirt
yaar neend arahi ha ab mujhay. i wanna
change and climb under the quilts

ZEBA

(switching on the ac)

khud laylo na.. asay pretend karrahi
ho that you haven't ever came for a
sleepover here before

SHARMEEN

bitch its been ages???? you do know
that right?

ZEBA

abay yeah but still we are still
tight????

SHARMEEN

(goes to the closet and takes out
a pajama and a shirt)

listen ... may change karnay jarahi
huin ok tum please munchies layaon
kitchen say.. kuch chips waghaira
takay baar baar kharay na hona paray

ZEBA

(checking her phone)

abay are u ok??? literally had a whole
ass meal right now? kitna khoeghi

SHARMEEN

excuse me??? yara phir kon jayegha
baar baar aur abhi sirf 11 bajay hay
poori raat baqi hay bhok tou lagi na
aur pls iss bottle may paani bhi bhar
kar layeon khatam hogaya hay almost

ZEBA

(throws the phone on the bed)
you haven't changed a bit.. same lazy
ass who can't move her bum

SHARMEEN

hahahaha acha joe na pls

ZEBA

okay jaldi niklna washroom may mujhay
bhi jana hay apni nighttime skincare
karnay na baith jana

SHARMEEN

(behind the washroom door, almost
closing)
why do you know me this well sweetie

ZEBA

ew who says sweetie now? ok go now

Sharmeen goes in the washroom to change into night time pajamas and shirts. Zeba goes to the kitchen and brings munchies. Sharmeen washed her face with the facewash and comes out of the washroom and does the night time skincare in the room. Zeba comes in the room, carrying chips, chocolates, biscuits, popcorn and drink and keeps the stuff on bed and goes to washroom to change in pajamas and shirt as well. Meanwhile, Sharmeen drinks a glass of water and apply a mask and starts to use the phone. Zeba steps outside of the washroom.

ZEBA

i wanna be consistent as you in my
life when it comes to your skincare
routine.. do you miss this by chance?

SHARMEEN

nahi.. kuch bhi hojaye bhaye nomatter
how what emotion im feeling or how
busy im skincare always come first

ZEBA

dang sis impressive

SHARMEEN

tum bhi pls khayal karlo thori skin ka
apni

ZEBA

karti huin kabhi kabar- don't have the

time or energy to invest in skincare everyday

SHARMEEN

and then you call me a lazy ass wow

ZEBA

wo tum ho ok acha abhi konsi movie dekhni hay?

SHARMEEN

ocean series?

ZEBA

aaaaa, can binge watch without a doubt

SHARMEEN

(stands up from bed and exclaims)
ABAY ruko! we had to call umer????
uskay baat karni thi kia lagakay rakha hay???

ZEBA

haan yaar yes?!

SHARMEEN

acha mujhay muun dho kar anay do phir souchtay hay kay kia karna hay ok

ZEBA

acha jaldi karo

Sharmeen goes to the washroom and washes her face and comes out of the washroom apply her toner, eyecream and moisturizer.

ZEBA

can you pls get it done with already

SHARMEEN

ruk joe kia jaldi hay kahin nahi bhagri huin may

ZEBA

aaaa ugh laqin im feeling just so pissed yaar and wanna pinch him straight up????

SHARMEEN

jaanu relax... paani peeyo phir souchtay hay kuch ok

ZEBA

kia souchna hay mujhay samjh nahi araha hay.. yaar i dont want to resolve this man just wanna get done with it..

SHARMEEN

why do you straight up jump to conclusions??? iss tarah nahi hota hay zeba.. give him a benefit of doubt one more time and lets see what happens

ZEBA

i don't want UGH nahi karna hay bhai yeh sab ab

SHARMEEN

call him right now

ZEBA

wait what?

SHARMEEN

yes call him right now lets decide right now

ZEBA

what if he doesn't pick up?

SHARMEEN

then he doesn't but you just leave a text and then step back works?

ZEBA

so is this all dependant on whether he responds or not?

SHARMEEN

no this is isn't dependant on anything. it suggests that you did put the effort but he didnt care enough

ZEBA

yaar acha theek hay

SHARMEEN

call now?

ZEBA

but no listen what do i talk to him about?

SHARMEEN

what do u mean zeba? confront him
there and then???

ZEBA

but i did talk to him about his
behaviour but he didn't seem to care
and gave me super basic answers

SHARMEEN

its okay. this is the last time you
are calling him and talking about this
ok?

ZEBA

i hate this sharmeen. i literally feel
like im begging him to respond to me
to call me back to do what he used to
do to make this relationship work and
you know sharmeen this is clearly not
me

SHARMEEN

z, no no listen. aisa kyun souchrahi
huin? i know you jaar and also i know
that you aren't like this but iska yeh
matlab nahi hay that ham give up
karday asani say?

ZEBA

usnay kia hay give up maynay nahi ok

SHARMEEN

i know meri jaan. i know you don't
give up this easily all im saying is
that yeh last baar call karkay dekhlo
takay agaye jakar regret na ho that oh
i didnt call him or oh i wish i
could've talked to him earlier, had
fought for this relationship harder.
im saying this because i care for you
zeba. if you wat to break up with him
then break up and i swear to god don't
you dare ever look back at him- make
an informed decision and i know you
are emotionally charged right now and
understandably so.

ZEBA

ok only if u say so warna i have zero
mood to even talk to him let alone

confront him

ZEBA
(dials umer number, ringing)
its ringing

ZEBA
(murmurs)
he picked up???????

Zeba dials the number. It is ringing. Someone picks the call but it isn't Umer who picks up. It's a girl.

GIRL
(clever tone)
hello? who's this?

Zeba is caught off guard and can't speak for a few seconds. She signals to Sharmeen, ' i'm done' and then switches the call on speaker to let sharmeen hear.

GIRL
hello? is anyone there?

Zeba was on the verge of lashing out but Sharmeen calmed her down by asking her to take a few deep breaths

GIRL
man what is this 5 year old kid prank?
you called so say something?

ZEBA
hi this is zeba , can i talk to umer?
is he around you right now?

GIRL
(pretending as if she doesn't know
zeba)
oh zeba hi whats up? haan umer is here
only.. he is in the kitchen making
coffee for us. koi kaam tha?

ZEBA
(murmurs in her breath 'zeba
breathe')
i want to talk to him can you hand him
over the phone?

GIRL
sure yeah give me a minute?

Girl goes over to Umer and says Zeba wants to talk to you. Umer is taken back. The phone is still on but Umer can't think of anything else and he reconfirms with the Girl. Zeba and Sharmeen can hear everything through the phone.

UMER

Sara? Sara are you sure this is Zeba on the phone?

SARA

yes umer she is.here you go.. she wants to talk to you

Sara lends him the phone and Umer can feel his legs and hands shaking and trembling.

UMER

he.. hell.. hello?

Sharmeen and Zeba looks at each other and Sharmeen signals her indicating, 'yes , 1,2,3 go!'

ZEBA

(calm tone)
hello? Umer? whatsup?

UMER

hi.. nothing much just making coffee

ZEBA

yeah that i got to know that from Sara

UMER

zeba? please listen to me calmly..

ZEBA

yes i am listening umer please spill?

UMER

(signals sara shush)
Zeba? sara and umer are just friends and i just dropped by at her place like a few minutes ago i was about to call you

ZEBA

which friend is sara that i never heard of? never knew your friend 'sara wil

UMER

she is a just work colleague.. i jusst made

ZEBA

umer you have to decide first if she is a work colleague or a friend of yours?

UMER

zeba listen? listen may sach kehraha huin aik office ka kaam agaya tha isliyah sara kay sath baith kar karna tha tou isliyah may iskay ghar aya wa huin

SARA

wtf umer? stop lying to zeba for gods sake and accept that you are FUCKING DATING ME

UMER

SARA! sara stop! hello hello zeba? give me a chance i will explain it to you yeh jhoot kehrahi hay mera koi scene nahi hay iskay sath

ZEBA

umer you know what? screw you! go rot in hell? mujhay kia samjhawa hay? may 5 saal ki bachi huin jho mujhay samjh nahi ayeghi?

UMER

zeba! zeba yaar ruko samjho tou what i'm trying to say.. relax karo aur meri baat suno

ZEBA

kia sunu? kia sunu umer?

Zeba switches off the speaker and continues to talk

ZEBA

i fucking didnt know that you could go this shallow.. this is below the belt and i didn't expect this from you umer batadaytay agar yehi karna tha i wouldve stepped back and wouldnt have come your way

UMER

zeba i love u meri jaan pls relax?
sara is not my girlfriend she is
straight up lying????

ZEBA

BULLSHIT! enough with this bullshit
umer! mujhay aj yaqeen hogaya kay tum
meray pyaar kay, meray waqt kay meray
ehsaas kay laiq hee nahi thay umer.
jakaar chullu bhaar pani may dhoob
maro!

UMER

zeba! bas bhi kardo yaar!

ZEBA

kardiya hay baas umer. bhool joe ab
mujhay aur yeh bhi bhool joe koi
rishta tha mera tumsay.. go suck
yourself dipshit

UMER

yeh kesi baat hay zeba?

ZEBA

you fucking cheated on me do u even
realise that?

UMER

zeba? zeba mujhay maqua tou do explain
karnay ka

ZEBA

you know what umer? FUCK YOU and FUCK
OFF

Zeba hungs up on him. Sharmeen extends her hug to Zeba. They hug tight for 2 whole minutes and decide which movie to watch.

SHARMEEN

you did your part and i am proud of
you ok now lets fuck him and watch a
movie

ZEBA

thank you for being my rock i feel so
much better. i feel free and so much
free

SHARMEEN

always janu acha batoe ab konsi movie

ZEBA

ocean series man lest binge watch

Zeba makes the bed for for her and Sharmeen to lie down under quilts. They start the movie, munching on snacks and the clock ticks by at 5am in the morning that the bestfriends are fast asleep.

INT. ZEBA'S HOUSE- LIVING ROOM- EARLY AFTERNOON

It's 1pm in the afternoon. Farida Bibi is in her room preparing to pray. Mehnaz is in the kitchen, almost done with cooking and getting ready to pray. Zeba and Sharmeen wakes up. Zeba goes for a shower while Sharmeen quickly cleans the mess in the room. Zeba is done with the shower that Sharmeen goes for shower. Zeba has skipped work because of Sharmeen. Zeba prays and then goes in the kitchen to make breakfast for herself and Sharmeen. Its almost 2pm that everyone is done praying in the house and sits for lunch. Farida Bibi is sitting on the takht. Mehnaz and Zeba sets the table. Sharmeen steps out of Zeba's room.

FARIDA BIBI

kia huwa larkiyoun hogayi neeend
poori?

SHARMEEN

jee nano

FARIDA BIBI

kab tak jagrahay thay?

ZEBA

i guess 5 bajay soe? haina sharmeen?

SHARMEEN

haan time ka pata hee nahi chala-
movie dekh rahay thay phir beech may
hee sogaye

FARIDA BIBI

chalo ajoe tumloug tou nashta karlo
aur ham lunch karlaytay hay

SHARMEEN

jee nano baas phir may bhi niklu- do
teen kaam hay jho rastay say nibtanay
hay aur phir kal say wo case ki

hearings shuru tou uskay liye bhi
prepare karna hay

FARIDA BIBI
arey haan case bhi hay meray tou zehan
say yeh baat hee nikal gayi

SHARMEEN
ajeer rishtaydaar hay qasam say

FARIDA BIBI
acha abhi apni subah in jaisay logoun
kay baray may baat karkay barbaad na
karo aram say nashta karo chai wai
peeyo

SHARMEEN
jee nano chai ki tou kaafi talab
horahi hay

ZEBA
sharmeen maynay tumary liye cheese
omelette banaya hay aur paratha iskay
sath

SHARMEEN
aaaa kab say nahi khaya tumaray
hathoun ka cheese omelette kafi yaad
araha tha

ZEBA
aaj khoe chalo

FARIDA BIBI
mehnaz? arey mehnaz chalo beta aja-
choreday kitchen

MEHNAZ
jee bibi baas ayi

Everyone sits on the dining table and eat.

MEHNAZ
sharmeen beta tumaray liye gulab jamun
bhi mangway hay yeh kha karjana

SHARMEEN
gulab jamun? aaa mehnaz apa aur nano
mujhay mota karkay hee yahan say
bhejayghi

FARIDA BIBI
aray khanay ki din hay abhi khoe mazay
say

SHARMEEN
hahaha haan nano

Sharmeen has to leave. Zeba has to start her office work. Farida bibi has to sleep and then wake up to meet some of her friends who would be coming over and Mehnaz apa has to rest for a while and then start cooking for today. Everyone is done eating.

SHARMEEN
(eating gulab jamun)
acha chalay nano ab may chalti huin.
duaain may zarur yaad rakhayegha aur
buhat maza aya itnay saloun kay baad
apsay baat karkay aur idher rukhnay
hay. puraani yaadein taza hogayi

FARIDA BIBI
haan hamaye bhi beta. jab tak ho idher
atai rehna mujhsya milnay acha? ronaq
lagi rehti hay

SHARMEEN
jeee zarur nano.

ZEBA
chalo sharmeen khuda hafiz phir miltay
hay

SHARMEEN
(hugs Zeba)
haan haan inshaAllah- maza agaya aik
do baar aue ajoenghi nightstay kay
liye

ZEBA
haan haan sure chilling hay

SHARMEEN
(hugging mehnaz apa)
chalay mehnaz apa thank you so much
itna acha khana khilanay kay liye- aur
itni achi mehmannawazi kay liye

MEHNAZ
atay rehnay idher acha lagta hay beta-
tum tou betiyoun jaisi ho

SHARMEEN

jee zarur. chalain khuda hafiz

Sharmeen leaves. Farida bibi goes to her room. Mehnaz apa goes with Farida bibi and Zeba goes to her room.

ZEBA

acha nano may ab office ka kaam karnay
jarahi huin theek hay

FARIDA BIBI

theek hay beta may bhi thori dair rest
karlu ab phir wo yaad mumtaz? mumtaz
jho hamari purani parosi huwa karti
thi aur tum unkey yahan jaya karti thi
aur unkey bachoun kay sath khela karti
thi?

ZEBA

arey haan haan uff kia yaad diladiya
nano jaan

FARIDA BIBI

haan tou baas wo ayeghi aaj mujhsay
milnay

ZEBA

sahi sahi maza ayegha unkey sath baat
karkay

FARIDA BIBI

haan acha chalo ab joe kamray may aur
office ka kaam karlo jaldi say.

Mehnaz apa and Farida Bibi goes to Bibi's room while Zeba goes to her room. its 3:30pm. Zeba start working. She has to send emails to schedule some meetings with the big client in the coming days. She has to find some of the sponsors to sponsor for the next upcoming project. She has to hire an intern for herself and she has to go and meet some of her friends for dinner today. It's almost 6pm that Zeba is engrossed in writing an email to get this new client on board with the agency to start a new project and she hears Mehnaz apa scream. She jumps from her bed and runs towards her Nano room only to find out that Nano is unable to breath. For the first time, She has seen nano in this situation. She is panic-stricken and her legs are trembling. She calls the ambulance and in the meanwhile she is trying her best to not let nano close her eyes. The ambulance arrives and they hurriedly heads towards the hospital. After two hours of anxiously waiting and constantly praying the doctor come

outside to spill the big news to Zeba.

EXT. HOSPITAL-EVENING

As soon as Zeba sees the doctor coming out of the emergency ward, Zeba runs towards her only to her mind-numbing news.

ZEBA

(sobbing)

doctor, doctor! kia kia huwa hay nano ko? please bataye. is my nano ok? please kuch tou bolaye? please bolaye meri nano ko kuch bhi nahi huwa..

DOCTOR

(points to mehnaz apa)

please apnay aap ko sambhalay.. aap inkay saath hay please sambhalay inko.. ap ki nano theek hay abhi..

ZEBA

(wipes off her tears)

alhumdulliah ay khuda tera shukar! may milu please nano say jakar? mujhay meri nano say milna hay...

DOCTOR

nahi abhi aap nahi jasakti.. please pehlay apnay aap ko sambhalay phir milnay jayegha. mujhay ap say zaruri baat karni hay ap please meray sath andar aye

ZEBA

kia? kia zaruri baat doctor? idher bataye abhi bataye

DOCTOR

ap please aye meray sath kamray may apko aram say batata huin

MEHNAZ

(hugging Zeba, teary-eyed)

zeba beta khud ko sambhalo.. kuch nahi hogha farida bibi ko hosla rakho wo khuda buhat bara hay.. hosla rakho meri jaan.. chalo doctor say baat karlay

Zeba and Mehnaz apa follows the doctor to his room.

EXT. DOCTOR'S ROOM-LATE EVENING

DOCTOR

dekhaye.. please meri baat ghour say
sunayegha ap loug mujhay andaza hay
kay apki nano apsay kitna close hay
laqin may doctor huin aur mera farz
hay apko sach batana

ZEBBA

please bataye kia baat hay.. point ki
baat karay yahan mera daam ghut raha
hay

DOCTOR

Farida bibi ko agar ap loug waqt per
hospital nahi pohanctay tou unki halat
kafi bigar sakti thi aur phir haam
kuch bhi karkay unko nahi bacha
patay.. wo behosh hoagyi thi emergency
ward may and unko kaafi mushkiloun say
oxygen mask day kar unko hosh may laye
hay takayunki mustaqil saans ati
rahay. farida bibi ap jakar behtar hay
laqin Zeba beta..

MEHNAZ

doctor saaab, meherbani karkay seedhay
bataye farida bibi ko kia huwa hay..
aise halat kabhi nahi huwi unki yeh
pehli baar hay jab inko saans ka masla
huwa hay.. agar saans ka masla hay tou
haam karaingaye ehtiyaat laqin mudh'ay
ki baat bataye- itni baatien na
ghumaye

DOCTOR

kaash sirf unko saans ka masla hota
laqin unko cancer hay.

ZEBBA

ki.. kiasa.. kia kaaha apnay?

DOCTOR

zeba beta please try to understand..

ZEBBA

try to understand while you here
fucking tell me my nano is facing life
and death right now?

DOCTOR

zeba.. zeba beta.. please aap samjhaye inko..

MEHNAZ

aaa.. kia... kia samjhoe doctor sahab? ap jhoot kehrahay hay fari.. farida bibi ko cancer nahi hosakta!!!!

Zeba is crying. Mehnaz apa have lose her calm.

MEHNAZ

(facing towards zeba)

ze.. zeba.. fa.. farida bibi idher zindagi mout ki kashmakash may khel rahi hay... ha... haamari farida bibi? mujhay nahi araha yaqeen!!

DOCTOR

please ab donoun apnay ap ko sambhalay.. farida bibi aploug ko iss halat may agar dekhaingayi tou unki consition aur severe hosakti hay please sambhalay apnay apko

ZEBA

sa.. saambhalay? shayad aap per kabhi aise nahi guzri tab hee aap aisay hee kehrahay hay.. itnay bayhiss na banay

DOCTOR

(stands up and loses his shit)

mera paysha mujhay majboor kardaytay hay kay may sach boolu nakay makhan lagoe tou aisay maat kehay kay mujhay andaza nahi hay kaisay lagta hay jab apnoun ki mout hamaray samnay horahi hoti hay. har roaz yeh do gunagar ankhein kahin saar mout ki gawahi paish karti hay aur har roaz may apnay zameer say jung karta huin kay kaash may isko bacha layta ya kaash aj yeh mout na dekhni parti kaash yeh khushi ki kabar sunanay ka maouqa milta nakay mout ki kabar... har roaz arey har roaz mera zameer mujhsay sawal karta hay kay kia faisal aj tumnay haq ka sath diya? apnay liye nahi apni farida bibi ki khatir hee apnay apko sambhalay aur shukar karay kay wo zinda hay aur ap unka khayal

rakhsaktay hay nakay uss baat per rona
jis ka control hamaray haath may nahi.

Zeba takes a long breath. She wipes her tears. She leans in to wipe Mehnaz Apa tears. They both hug each other and promise to be strong for Farida Bibi. Both of them go and meet Farida Bibi.

ZEBA

Doctor, I will discuss all the details with you in the coming days. For now, I just want to meet my nano and hug her and I need some time and space to process and digest this news. I just need this favour and I hope you will understand.

DOCTOR

yes sure Zeba. Jaisa aploug ko theek lagaye.

ZEBA

thank you.

