

DABUNG GIRL AND A LOST FRIEND



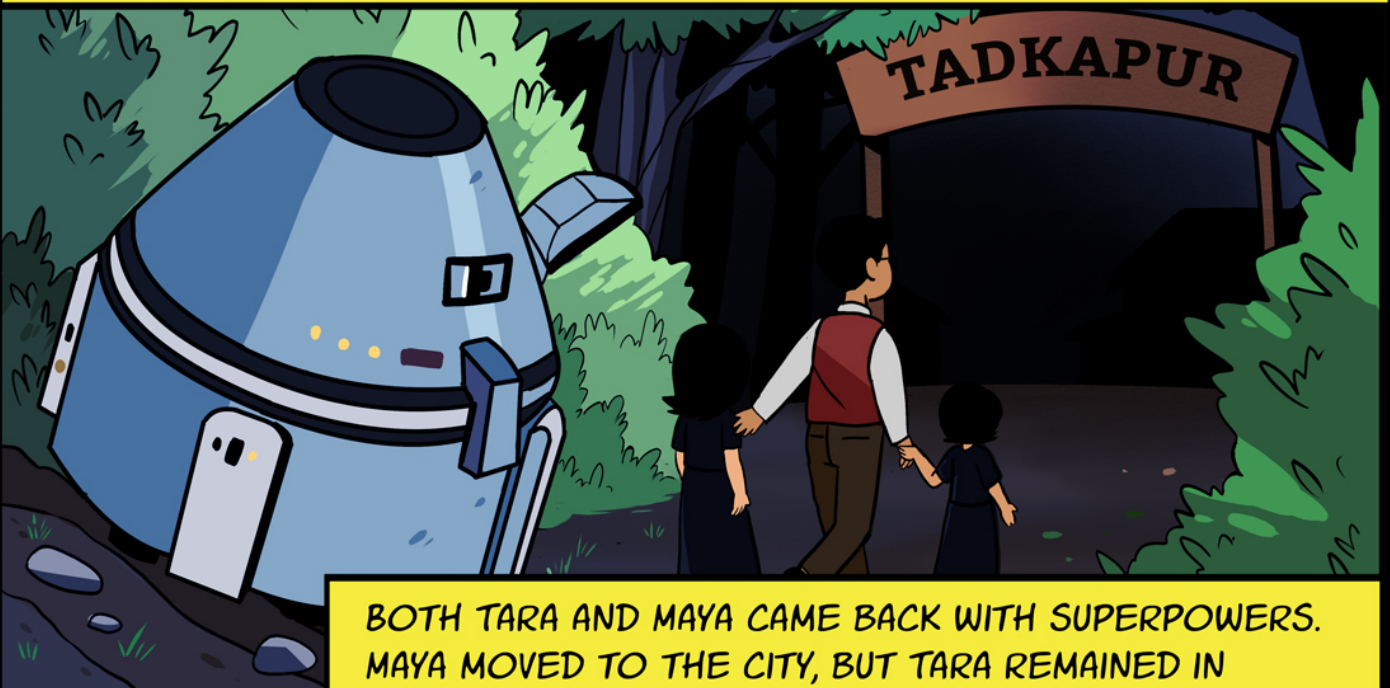
ONE DAY, SOME ALIENS KIDNAPPED ONE OF INDIA'S MOST PROMINENT SCIENTISTS... UNKNOWINGLY, THEY ALSO TOOK BOTH OF HER DAUGHTERS, TARA AND MAYA... NOBODY KNOWS WHY!



THREE YEARS LATER, A BRIGHT SPIRAL SHAPE IS SEEN IN THE NIGHT SKY...



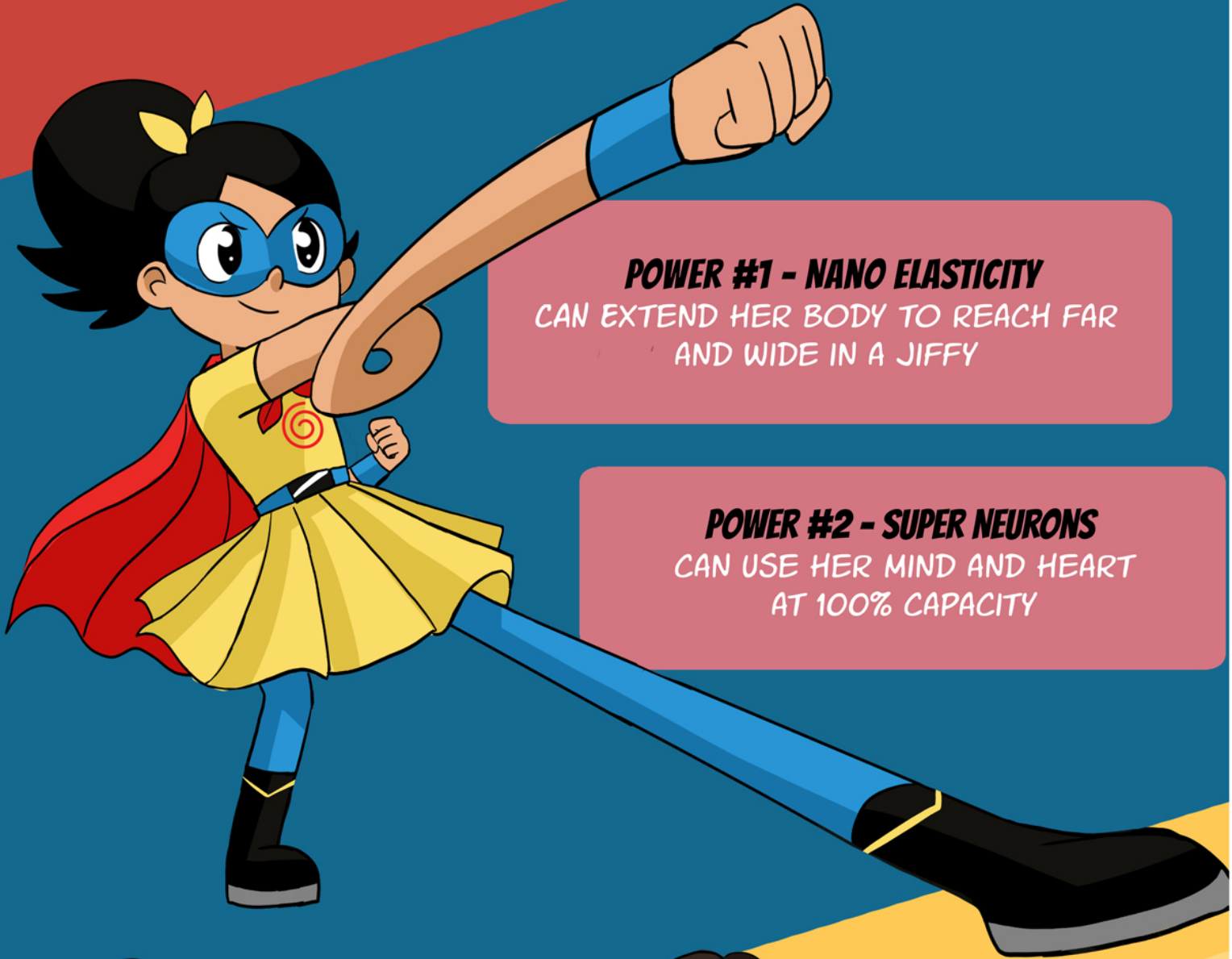
THAT SAME NIGHT, A CAPSULE FROM ANOTHER WORLD LANDS ON EARTH, AND BRINGS BACK THE SCIENTIST'S DAUGHTERS TO THEIR FATHER IN TADKAPUR... BUT THE SCIENTIST'S WHEREABOUTS ARE UNKNOWN EVEN TODAY...



BOTH TARA AND MAYA CAME BACK WITH SUPERPOWERS. MAYA MOVED TO THE CITY, BUT TARA REMAINED IN TADKAPUR AND BECAME DABUNG GIRL...

YOUR AMAZING FRIENDS!

MEET DABUNG GIRL, A SUPERHERO WHO ALWAYS COMES FORWARD TO HELP HER FRIENDS



POWER #1 - NANO ELASTICITY
CAN EXTEND HER BODY TO REACH FAR
AND WIDE IN A JIFFY

POWER #2 - SUPER NEURONS
CAN USE HER MIND AND HEART
AT 100% CAPACITY



TARA - A WISE
GIRL WHO IS ACTUALLY
DABUNG GIRL!



MUSKAAN - A CHEERFUL
GIRL WHO LOVES TO
ASK QUESTIONS



CHINTU - AN EMOTIONAL
BOY WHO LOVES
TO WRITE POETRY



NAINA - AN ALLROUNDER
WHO EXCELS IN
MATHEMATICS AND
SPORTS

DABUNG GIRL AND A LOST FRIEND

TADKAPUR POLICE STATION

AT TADKAPUR POLICE STATION...

HEY MUNGERI LAL,
I DON'T SEE MANY KIDS PLAYING
OUTSIDE NOW-A-DAYS?

FIRARI LAL SIR, THEY
MIGHT HAVE GONE TO
THE CITY...

CHILDREN IN CLASS...

SCHOOL BELL RINGS

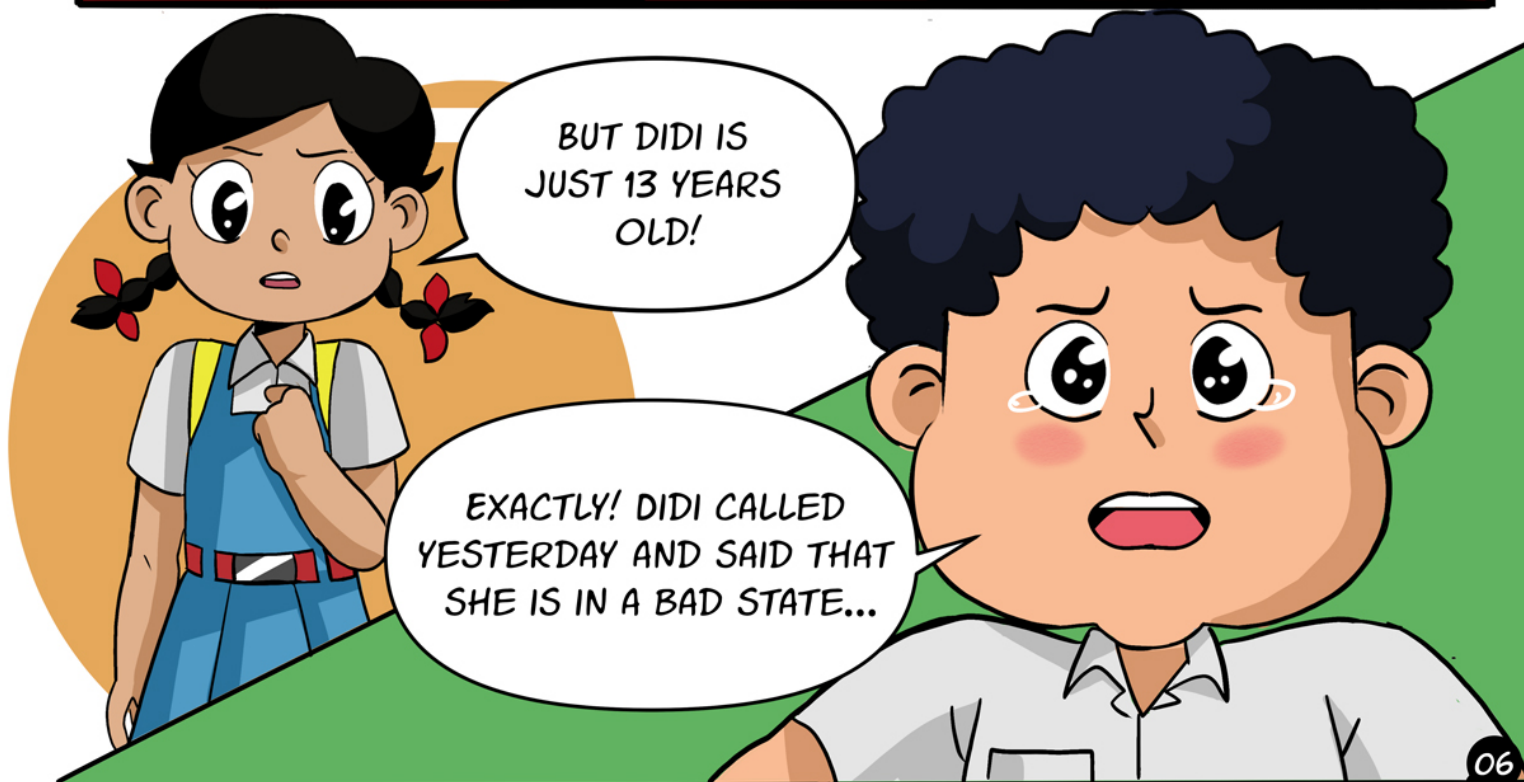
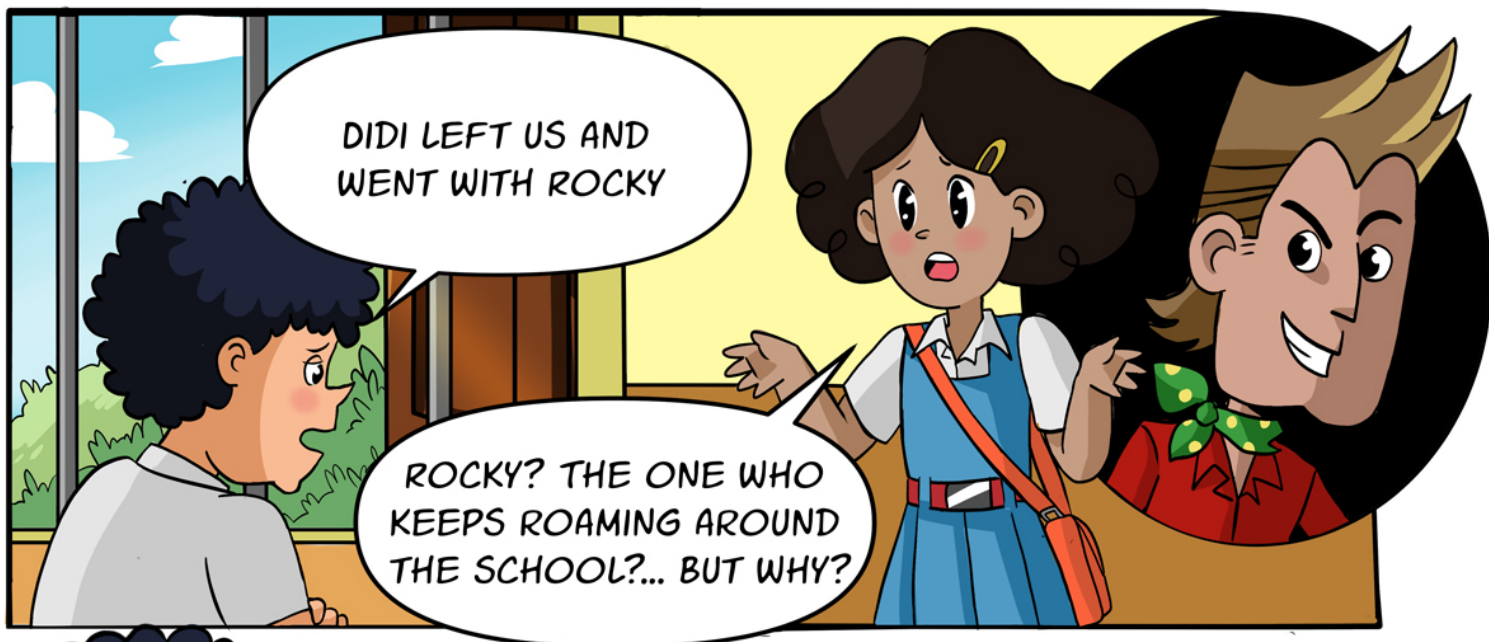
TAN!
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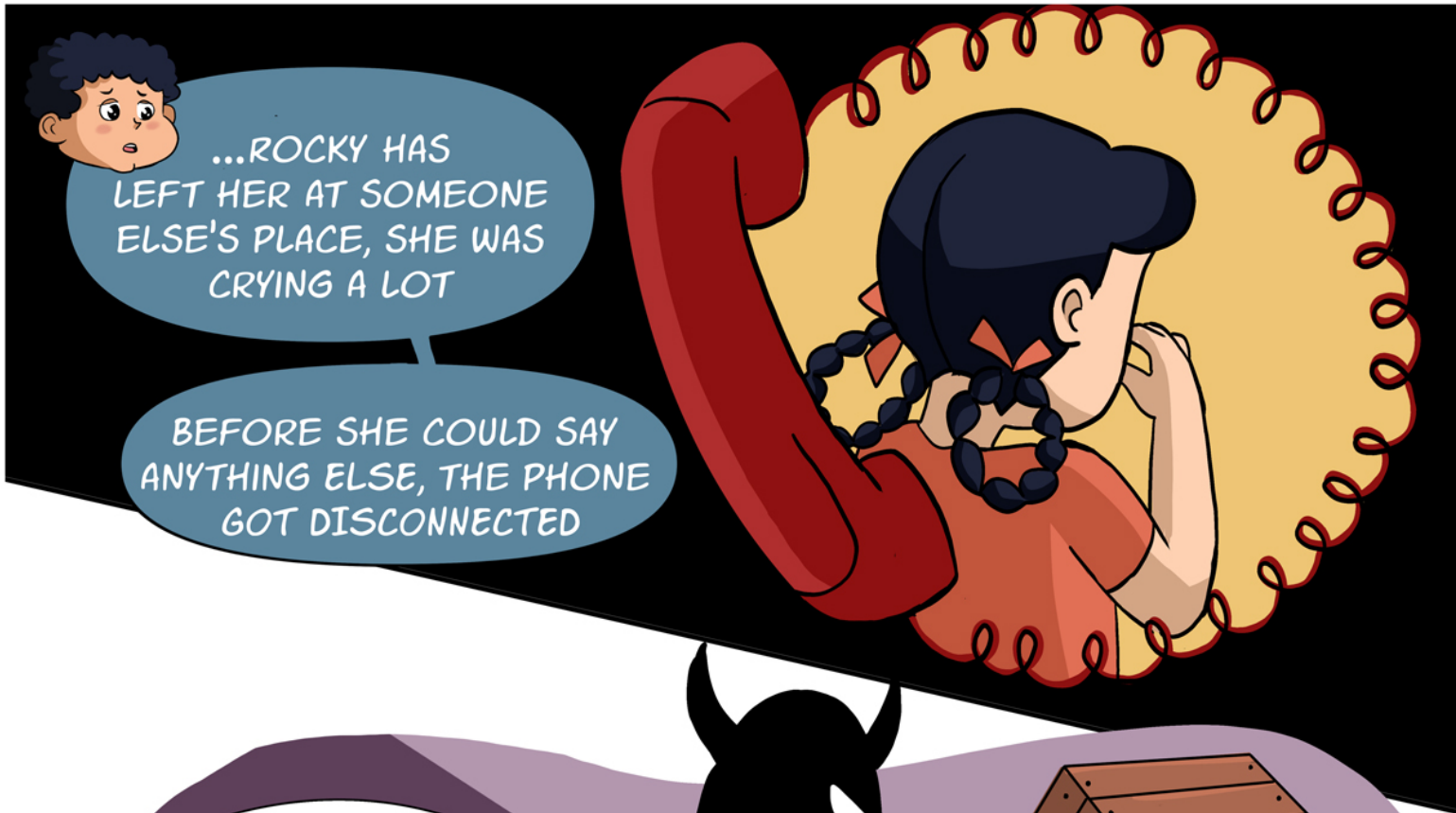
WHY IS CHATTERBOX
CHINTU SAD TODAY...
WHAT'S THE MATTER?

CHINTU STARTS CRYING...

MY SISTER SEEMA HAS
NOT COME HOME FOR
LAST 6 MONTHS!

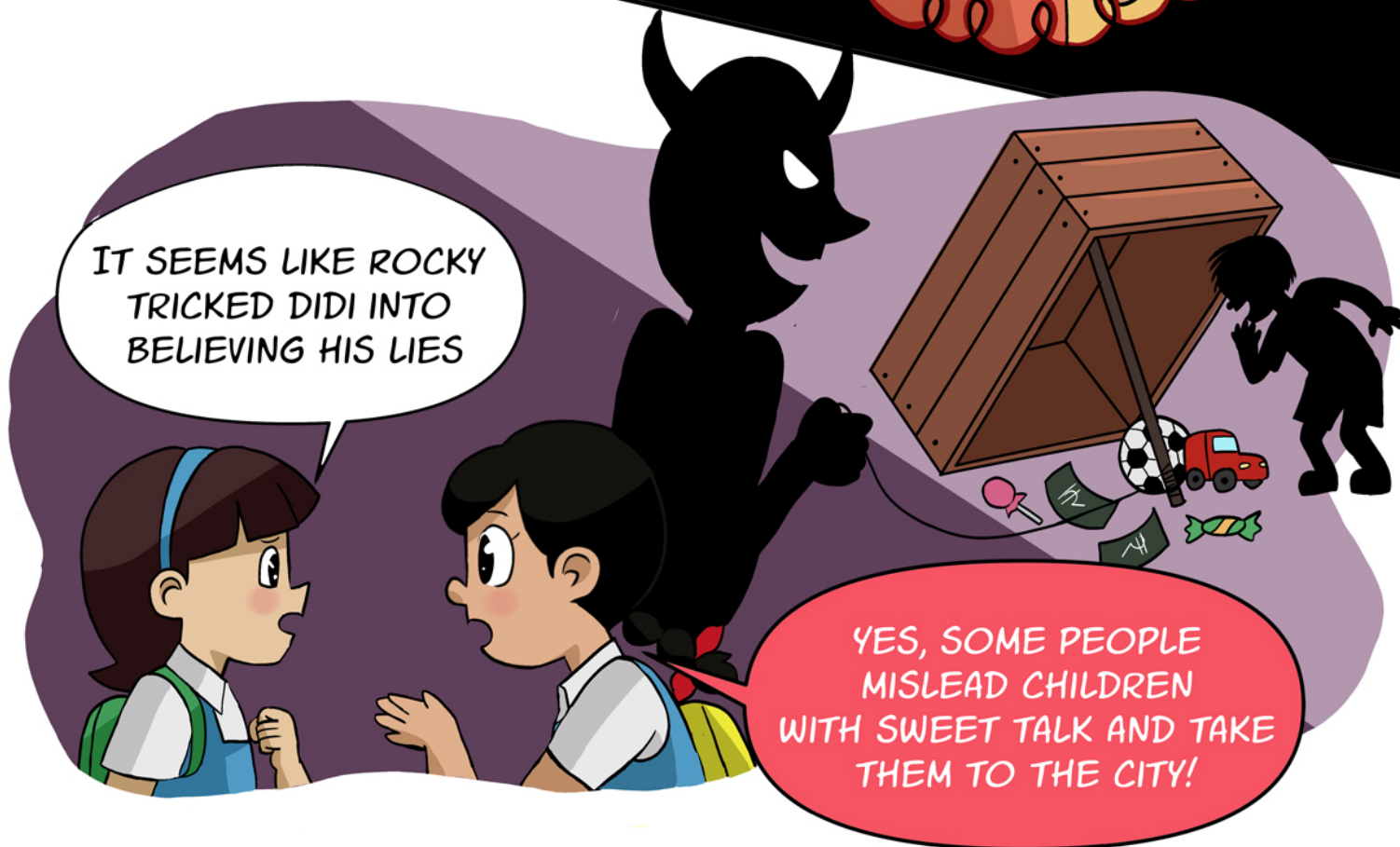
6 MONTHS?





...ROCKY HAS LEFT HER AT SOMEONE ELSE'S PLACE, SHE WAS CRYING A LOT

BEFORE SHE COULD SAY ANYTHING ELSE, THE PHONE GOT DISCONNECTED



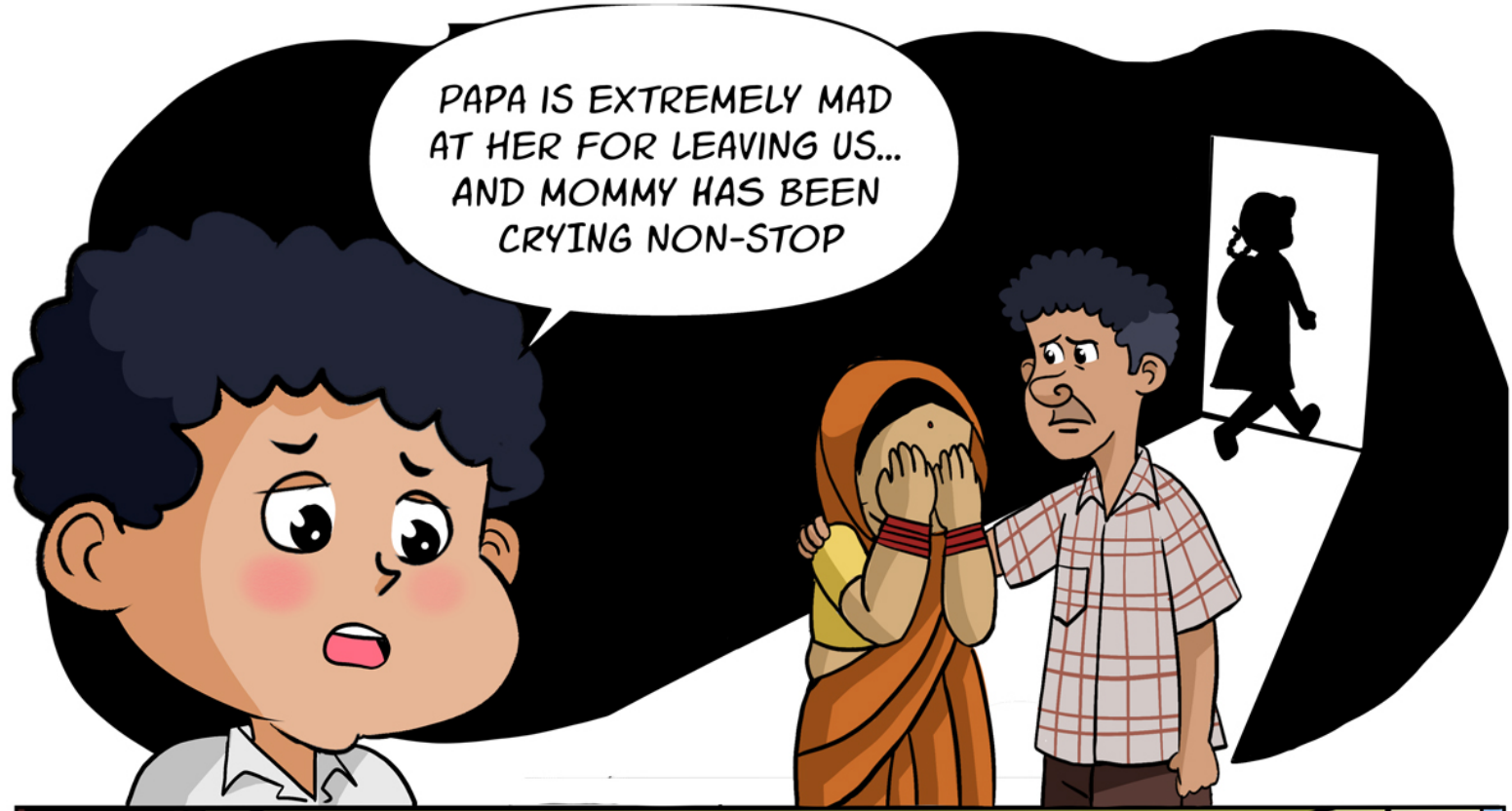
IT SEEMS LIKE ROCKY TRICKED DIDI INTO BELIEVING HIS LIES

YES, SOME PEOPLE MISLEAD CHILDREN WITH SWEET TALK AND TAKE THEM TO THE CITY!



BUT CHINTU, WHY HAVE YOU NOT DONE ANYTHING YET?

WHAT COULD I HAVE DONE?



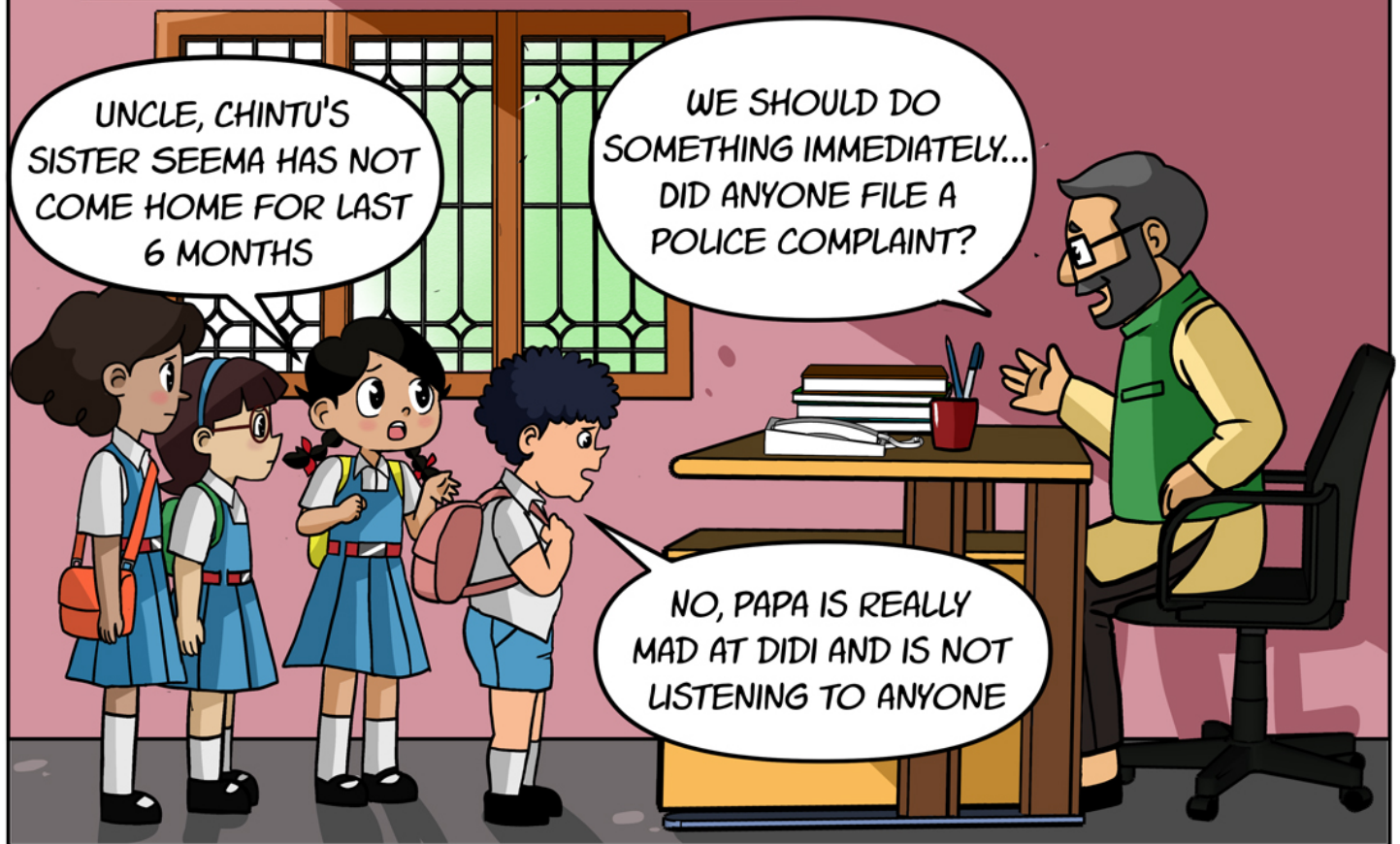
PAPA IS EXTREMELY MAD
AT HER FOR LEAVING US...
AND MOMMY HAS BEEN
CRYING NON-STOP

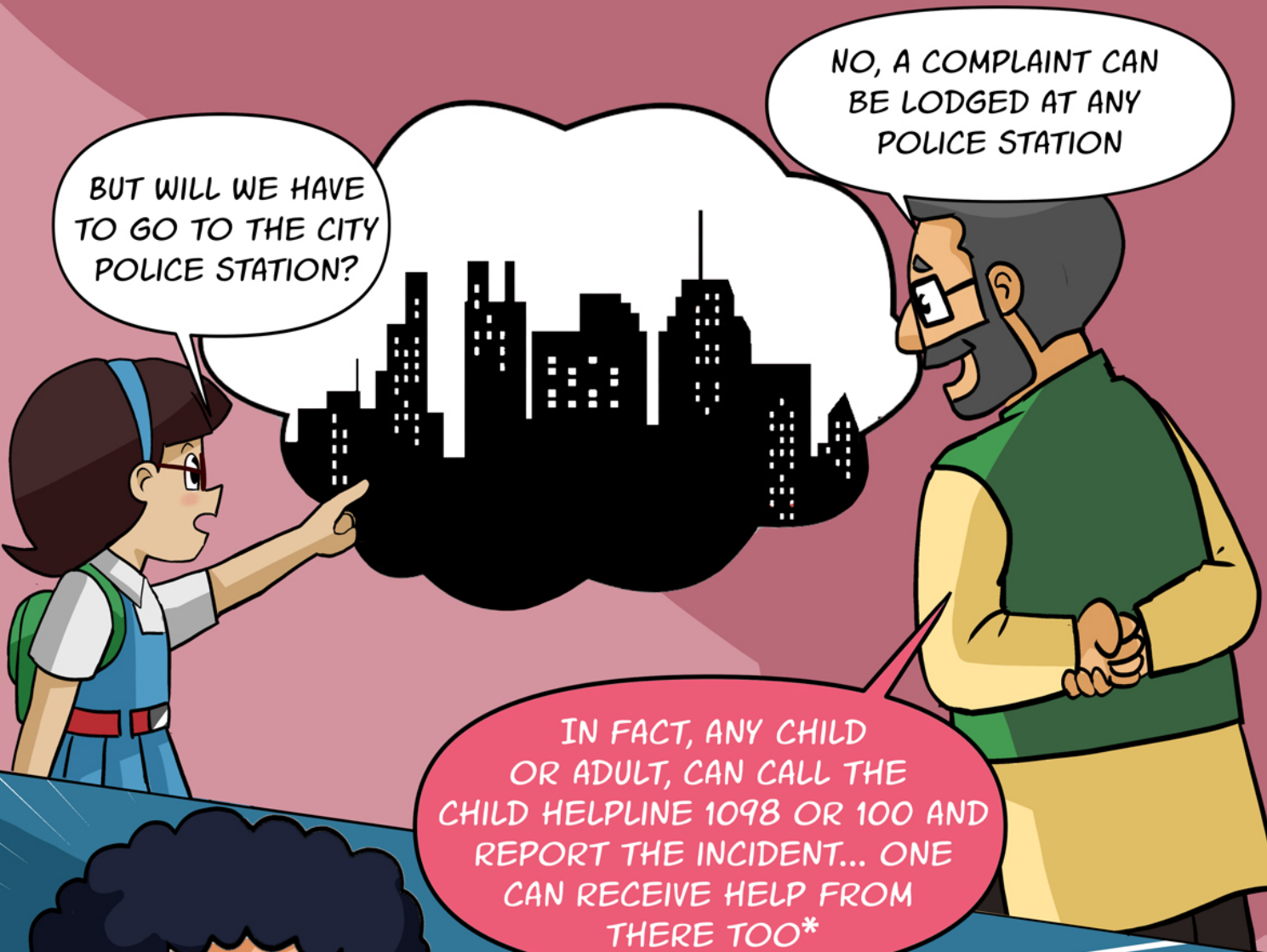
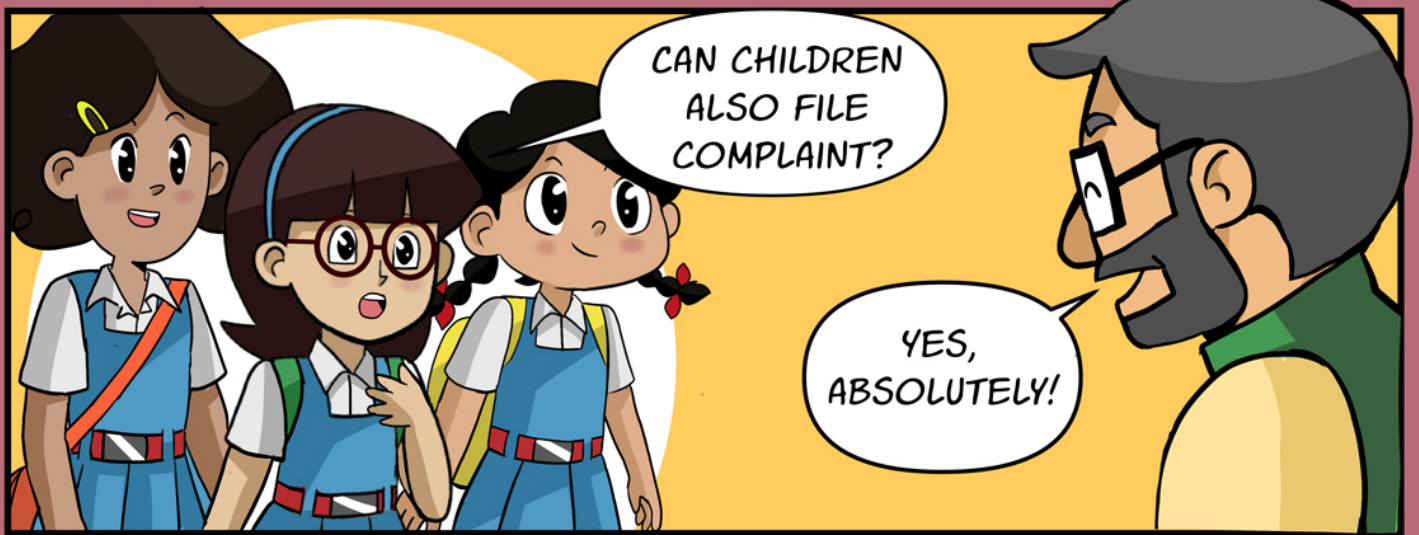


LET'S GO AND
CONVINCE AUNTIE-UNCLE,
AND FIND A SOLUTION

LET'S INFORM SATYA
UNCLE AS WELL, AND
GET SEEMA DIDI
BACK HOME SOON

CHILDREN AT SATYA UNCLE'S OFFICE...







IN FACT, ANY CHILD OR ADULT, CAN CALL THE CHILD HELPLINE 1098 OR 100 AND REPORT THE INCIDENT... ONE CAN RECEIVE HELP FROM THERE TOO*

I'LL GO TO THE CITY TO FIND MY SISTER

*ONE CAN ALSO CALL BACHPAN BACHAO ANDOLAN'S COMPLAINT CELL ON 1800-102-7222




NO CHINTU...
IT IS VERY
DANGEROUS TO
GO ALONE...



I'LL GO AND
SPEAK TO YOUR
PARENTS

TARA THINKING ALONE...



THIS MATTER IS VERY
SERIOUS... WE WILL NEED
DABUNG GIRL!



IF SOMETHING
GOES WRONG, SHE
WILL HANDLE IT

A comic book illustration of a young girl with dark hair in pigtails, wearing a blue dress and white socks, jumping or falling through the air. She has a surprised expression with wide eyes and an open mouth. A large yellow speech bubble at the top right contains the text 'WHEN THE GOING GET'S TOUGH, DABUNG GIRL ALWAYS SHOWS UP!'. A large, bold, red sound effect 'KAVOOOM!' is written across the middle of the image. The background is blue with white diagonal streaks and several yellow stars. The girl is wearing a yellow backpack.

WHEN THE GOING GET'S TOUGH,
DABUNG GIRL ALWAYS SHOWS UP!

KAVOOOM!



**AAYI RE, AAYI RE,
DABUNG GIRL AAYI RE!**

AT SEEMA AND CHINTU'S HOUSE...

DABUNG GIRL,
GOOD THAT YOU
CAME TOO

TARA FILLED
ME IN...

DID YOU FILE
FIR* AGAINST
ROCKY?

*FIR - A WRITTEN DOCUMENT
PREPARED BY THE POLICE WHEN
THEY FIRST RECEIVE INFORMATION
ABOUT AN OFFENCE.

WHY WOULD THE
POLICE LISTEN TO
US? SEEMA WENT BY
HER OWN WILL...

IT IS ILLEGAL TO MISLEAD
AND LURE CHILDREN AWAY
FROM THEIR HOMES...
THE POLICE WILL
DEFINITELY HELP US



BUT WHAT
WILL PEOPLE
SAY?

THAT DOESN'T MATTER!
I JUST WANT MY DAUGHTER
BACK... LET'S GO TO THE
POLICE STATION!



DO YOU THINK I DON'T
WANT MY DAUGHTER BACK?
I TOO LOVE MY DAUGHTER!!!
LET'S GO

IF YOU HAVE ANY IDENTITY
CARD AND PHOTOGRAPH
OF SEEMA, TAKE THAT AS
WELL... IT WILL BE USEFUL
IN FILING THE REPORT

AT THE POLICE STATION...



ROCKY LURED HER AWAY 6 MONTHS BACK WITH HIS FALSE PROMISES...

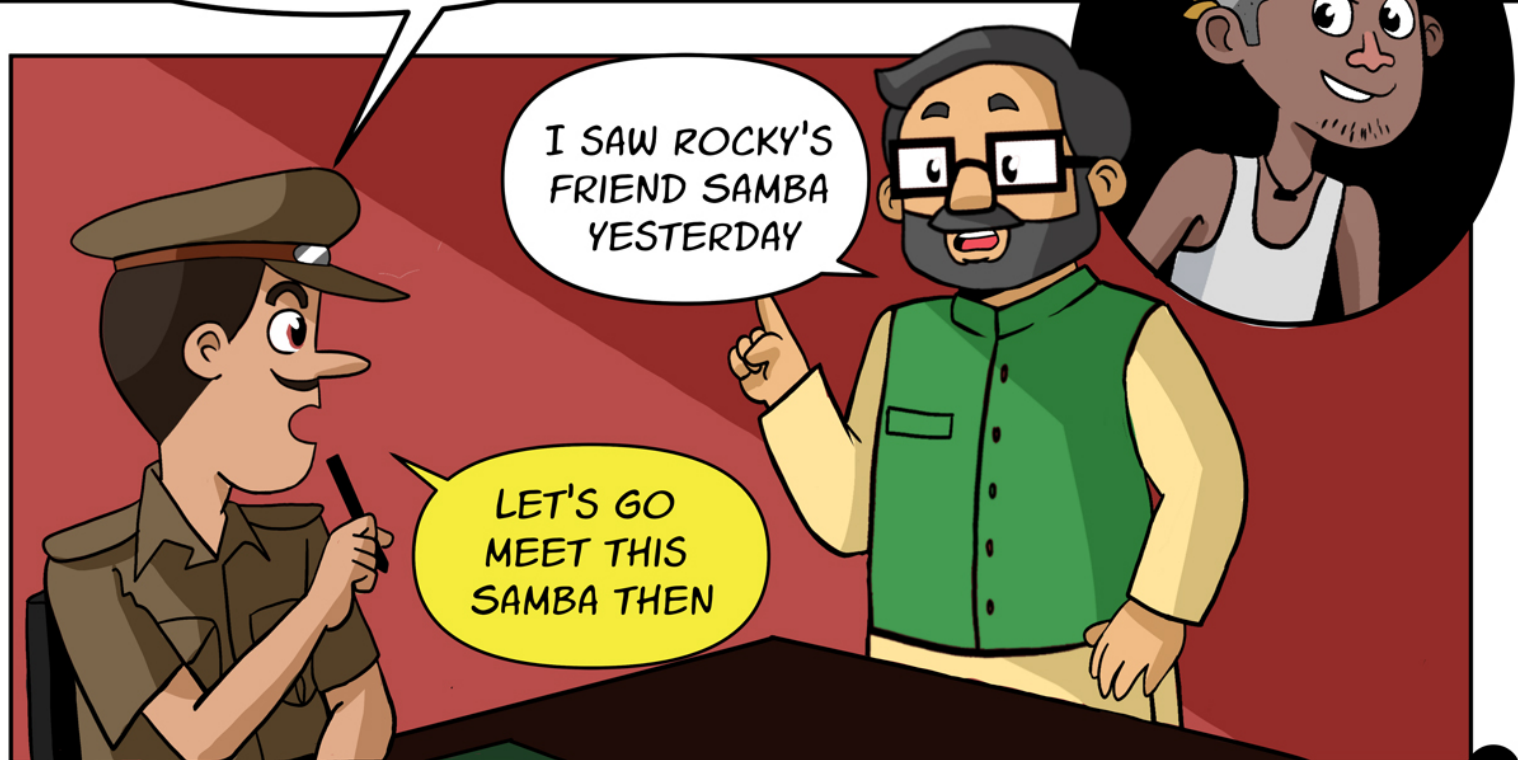


AND YOU ARE REPORTING THIS NOW? LET ME TELL YOU, THE LONGER YOU WAIT IN SUCH CASES, THE HARDER IT GETS TO FIND THE CHILD

ROCKY IS INFAMOUS FOR NOTORIOUS ACTS

THERE ARE SO MANY PEOPLE WHO DON'T REPORT AT ALL, AND END UP NEVER FINDING THEIR CHILDREN





THAT EVENING, OUTSIDE SAMBA'S HOUSE...



HEY SAMBA, WE
HAVE HEARD THAT
ROCKY IS YOUR
FRIEND ??

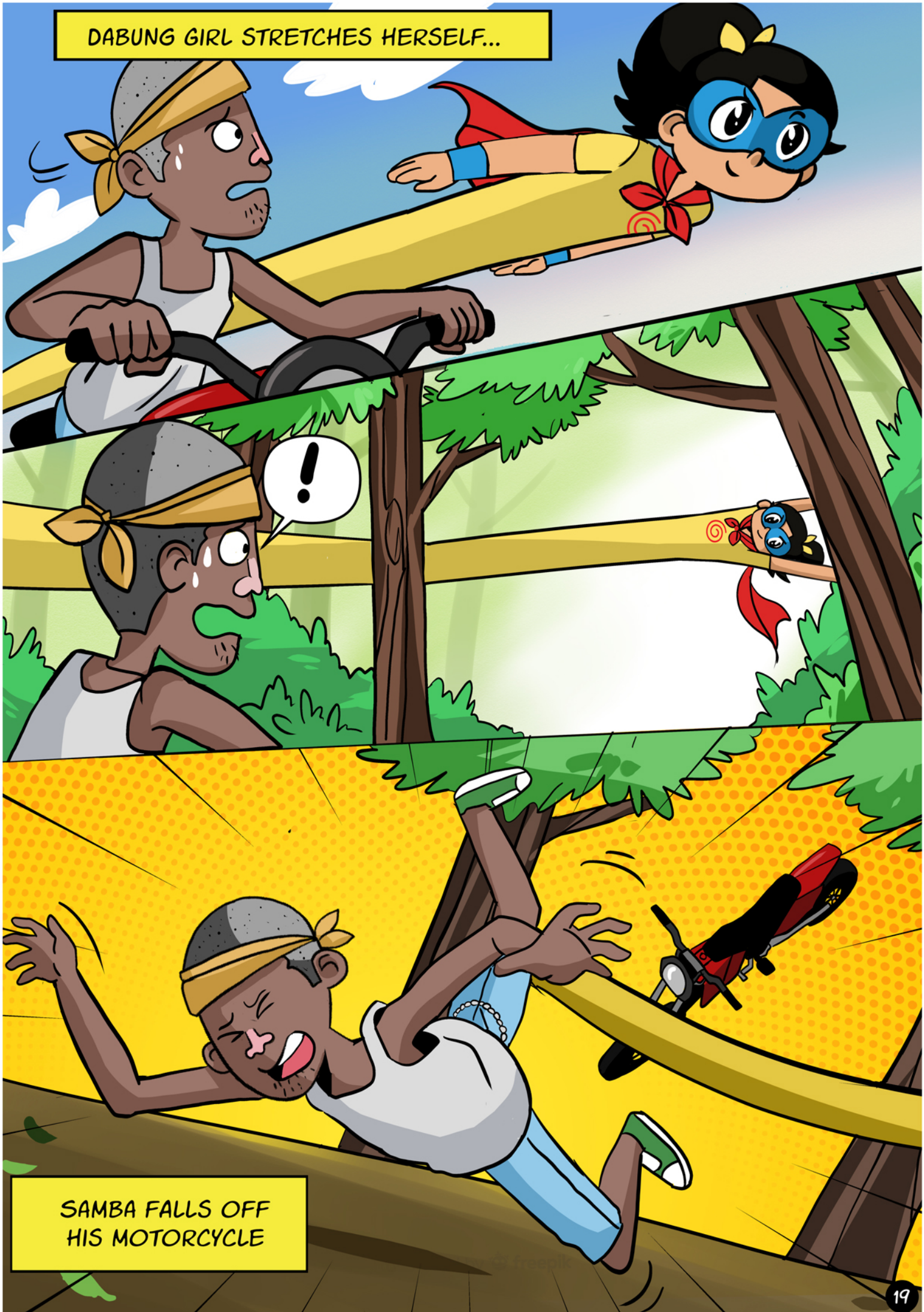
SAMBA PANICS
AND RUNS...

OH NO!

FIRARI LAL IS HIS
NAME, THIS MIGHT BE
THE END OF MY
GAME!

HOW LONG WILL YOU
RUN FROM THE POLICE
AND DABUNG GIRL!

DABUNG GIRL STRETCHES HERSELF...



SAMBA FALLS OFF
HIS MOTORCYCLE



SPEAK UP SAMBA,
WHERE HAS ROCKY
TAKEN SEEMA?

I HAVE NO CLUE!

SEEMS YOU'RE NOT
GOING TO COOPERATE...
YOU THINK YOU'LL ENJOY
BEING LOCKED UP?

BUT...ERR... I
DIDN'T DO ANYTHING...
ALL I KNOW IS THAT ROCKY
HAS TAKEN SOME KIDS TO
NEERGANJ...

I'LL CALL NEERGANJ
POLICE STATION RIGHT
AWAY AND LET THEM KNOW
THAT WE'RE COMING TO
LOOK FOR SEEMA

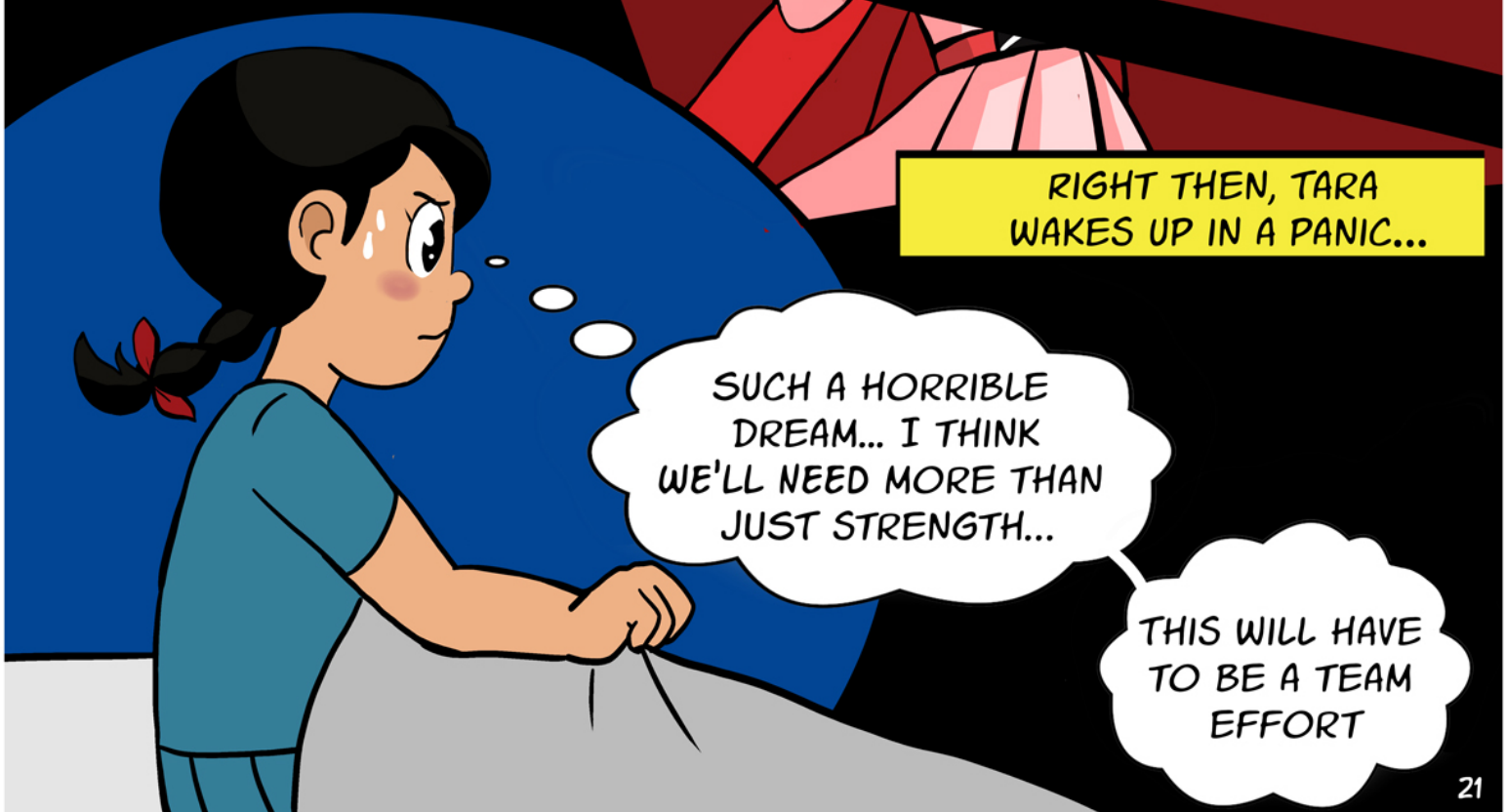
SEEMA IS SCREAMING IN THE
CLUTCHES OF MONSTERS...
DABUNG GIRL REACHES TO SAVE HER



SAVE
ME!!!

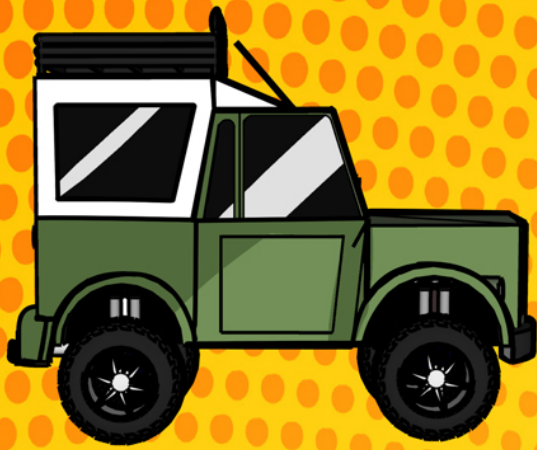
DABUNG GIRL USES
ALL HER STRENGTH ,
BUT LOSES...

RIGHT THEN, TARA
WAKES UP IN A PANIC...



SUCH A HORRIBLE
DREAM... I THINK
WE'LL NEED MORE THAN
JUST STRENGTH...

THIS WILL HAVE
TO BE A TEAM
EFFORT



DABUNG GIRL LEAVES FOR THE
CITY ALONG WITH EVERYONE



NEXT DAY AT CITY POLICE STATION...


OH FIRARI, THERE ARE SO MANY COMPLAINTS OF MISSING CHILDREN... HOW WILL WE FIND THEM ALL?

CHANDRIKA, I AGREE THAT IT'S A HUGE CHALLENGE, BUT IT'S OUR RESPONSIBILITY...

SAMBA SPILLED THE BEANS... HE'S GIVEN US ROCKY'S ADDRESS IN THE CITY...

OK, BUT SUCH CASES ARE EXTREMELY SERIOUS... WE'LL HAVE TO FIRST RECCE THE AREA... KEEP AN EYE ON ALL THE ROUTES

BE VERY CAREFUL! IF HE GET'S A WHIFF, HE'LL RUN AWAY... AND WE'LL LOSE THIS OPPORTUNITY...



*RECCE - THE PROCESS OF GETTING INFORMATION ABOUT SUSPECTED CRIMINALS AND THEIR HIDEOUT BY SENDING OUT TEAMS.

I CAN HELP WITH THE RECCE* ...

LET'S ALSO TELL OTHER CHILD PROTECTION RELATED OFFICIALS AND CREATE A JOINT RESCUE TEAM

YES, LET'S ALSO INFORM THE CHILD WELFARE COMMITTEE... THERE MIGHT BE MANY OTHERS LIKE SEEMA

POLICE RECCE THE AREA IN PLAIN CLOTHES...



DABUNG GIRL ASSISTS AS WELL...





ROCKY ESCAPES FROM
THE BACK DOOR...



BUT POLICE IS THERE TOO



ROCKY TRIES TO MAKE A RUN FOR IT FROM THE SIDE...



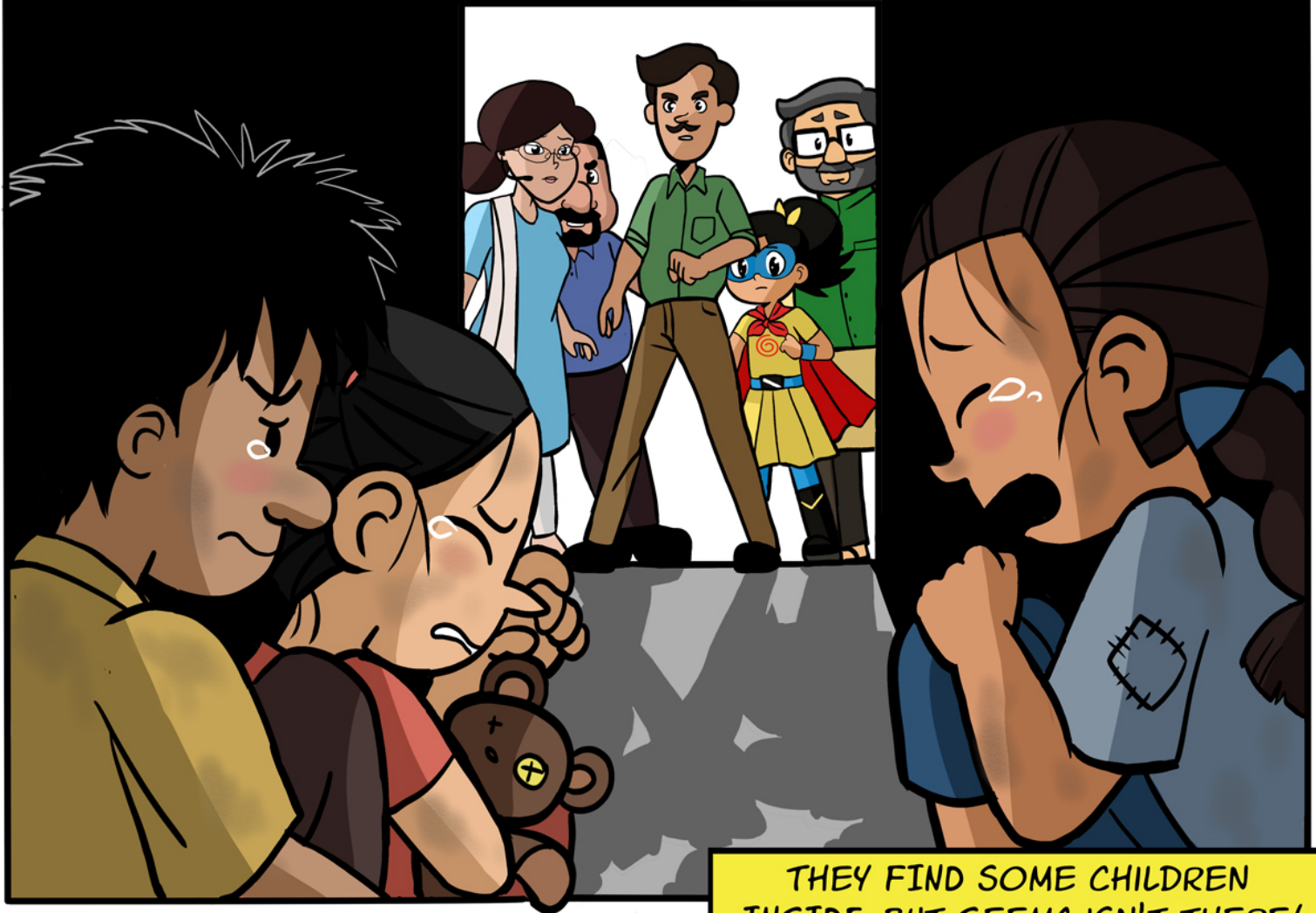
BUT THERE'S NO ESCAPE
FROM DABUNG GIRL!

FORGIVE ME
DABUNG GIRL!

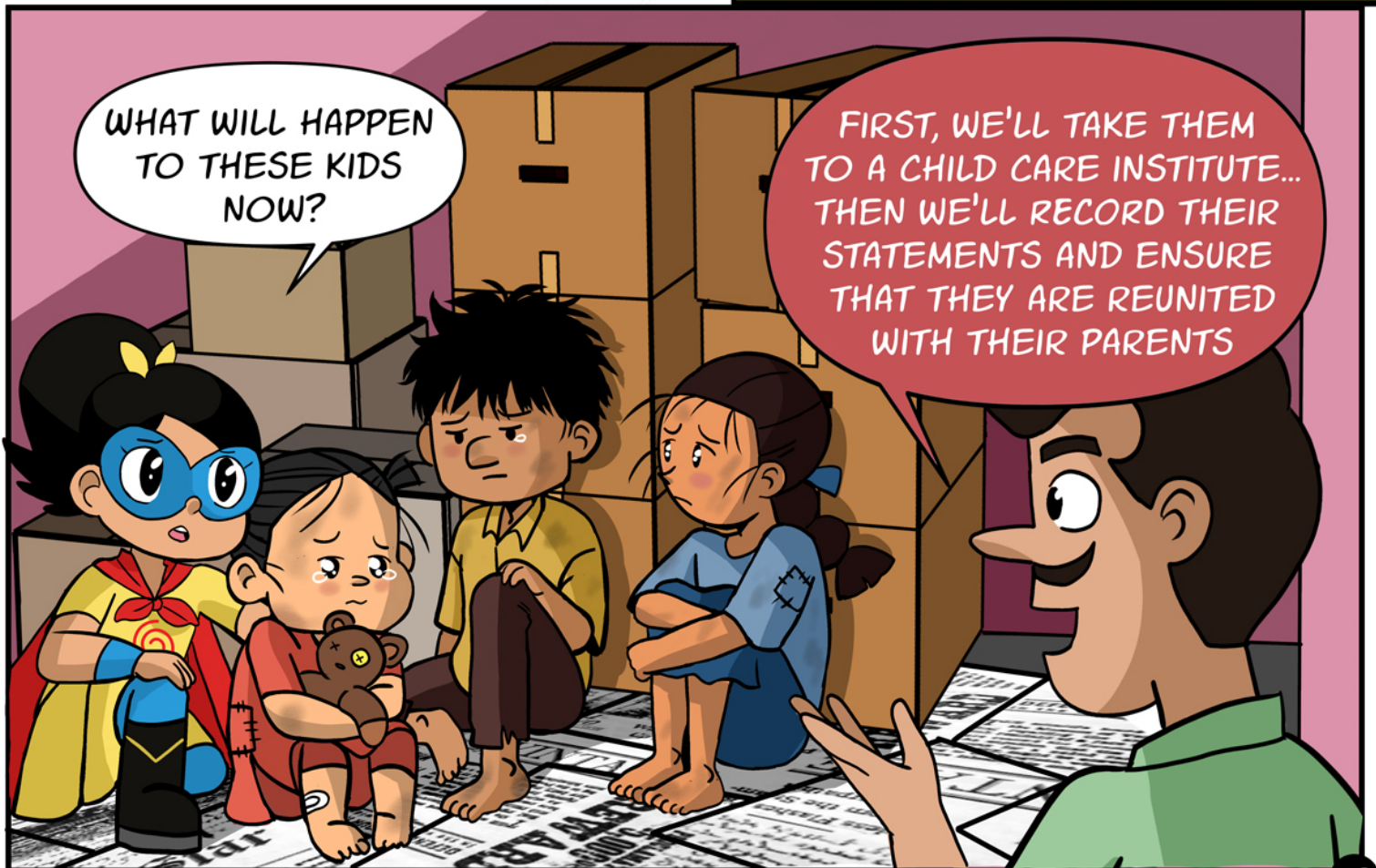
THE LAW IS GOING
TO TAKE CARE OF
YOU NOW!

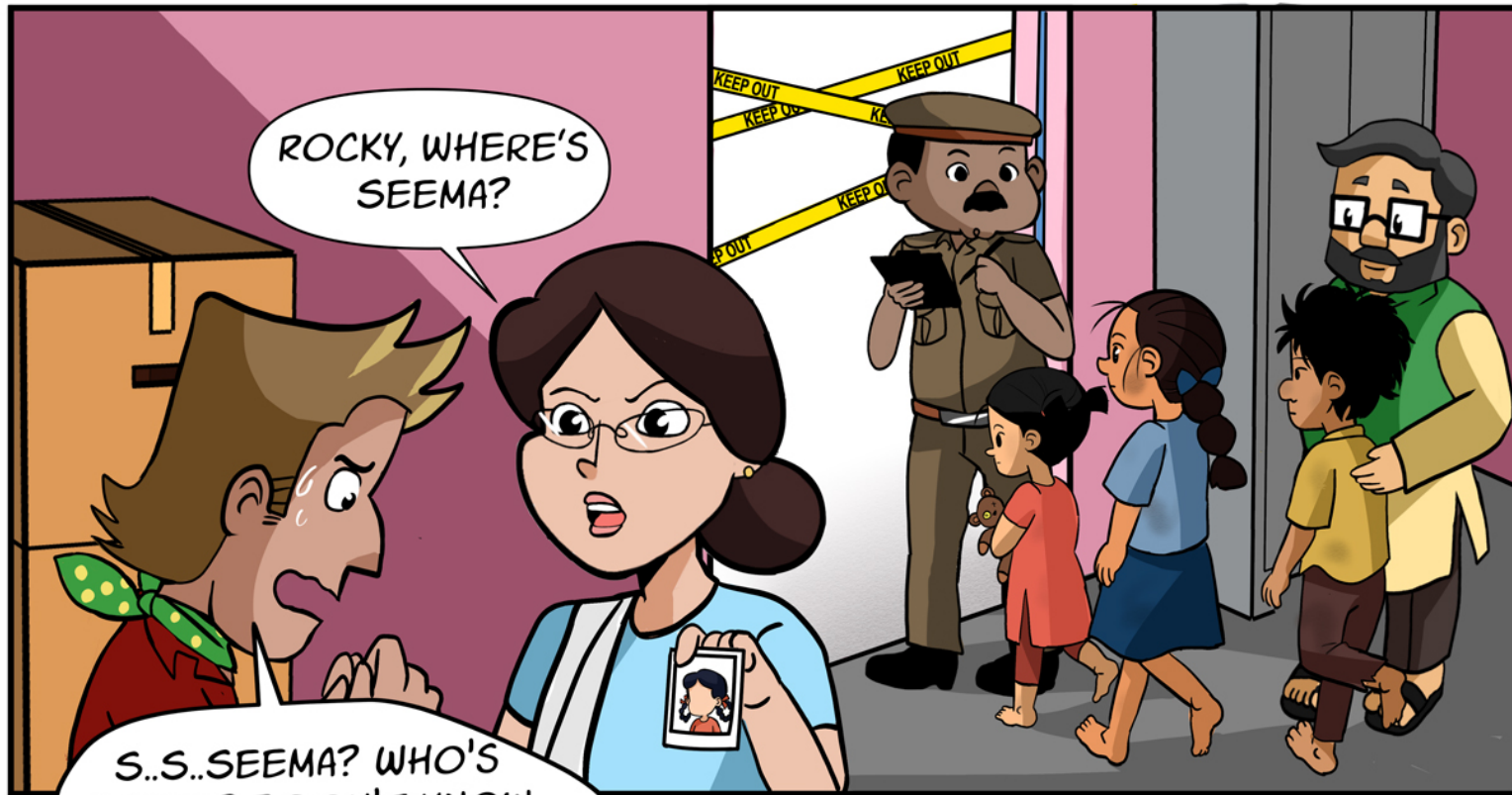
POLICE ARREST ROCKY...

RESCUE TEAM ENTERS THE BUILDING...



THEY FIND SOME CHILDREN INSIDE, BUT SEEMA ISN'T THERE!





ROCKY, WHERE'S SEEMA?

S..S..SEEMA? WHO'S SEEMA? I DON'T KNOW ANYTHING!

DO YOU KNOW WHERE SEEMA IS?

SHE WORKS AT ZAALIM SINGH'S HOUSE

WE MUST GO THERE IMMEDIATELY!

FIRARI LAL YELLS WHILE
LOOKING OUT OF A WINDOW...

THERE ARE THREE
GUYS OUT THERE WHO
ARE ESCAPING IN A CAR!

THE CHASE IS ON AT FULL SPEED...

CHANDRIKA JI, TAKE
THIS SHORTCUT!

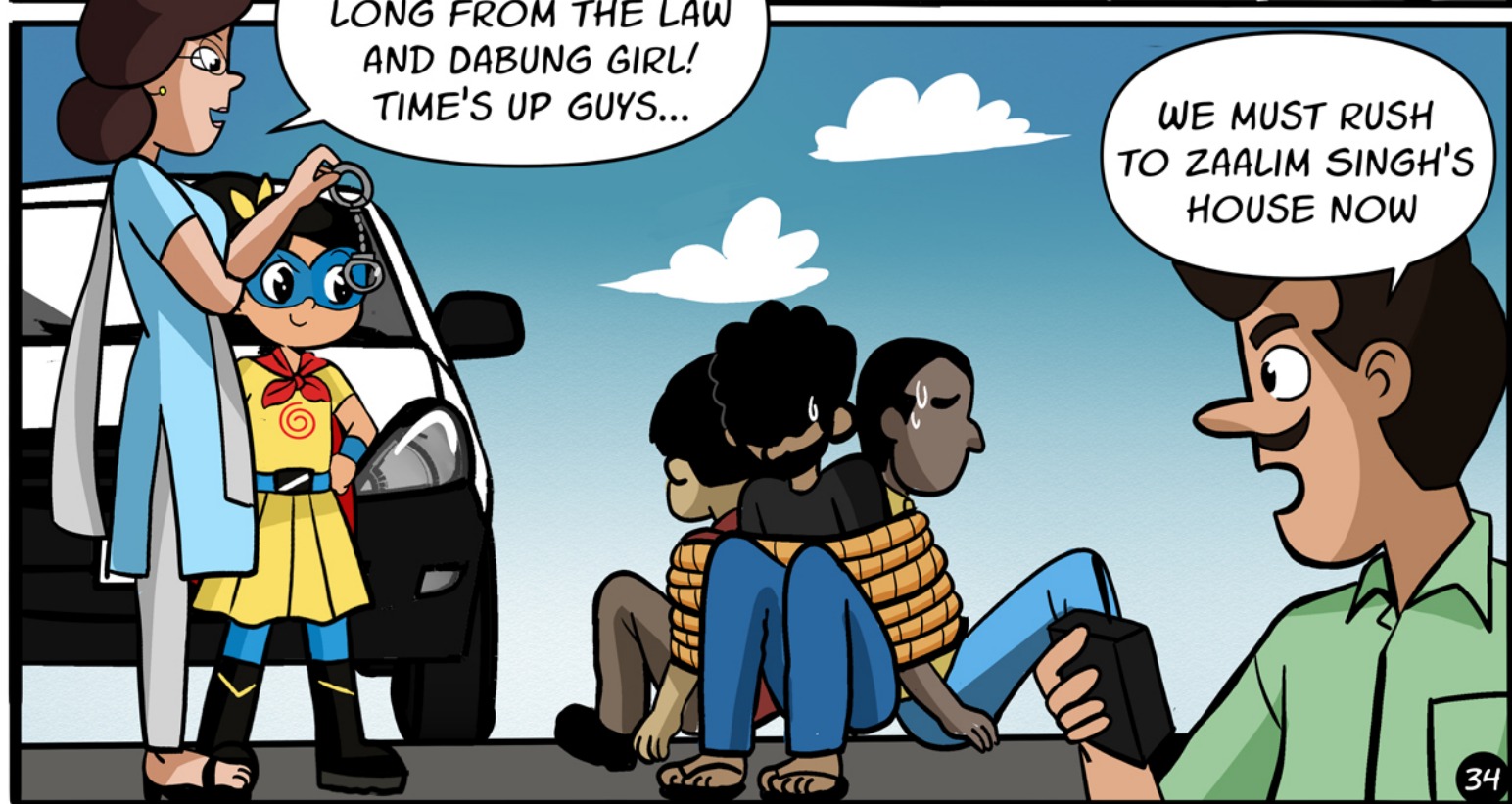
BUT THE BRIDGE
AHEAD ON THIS ROAD
IS BROKEN

I'LL TAKE CARE
OF THAT!

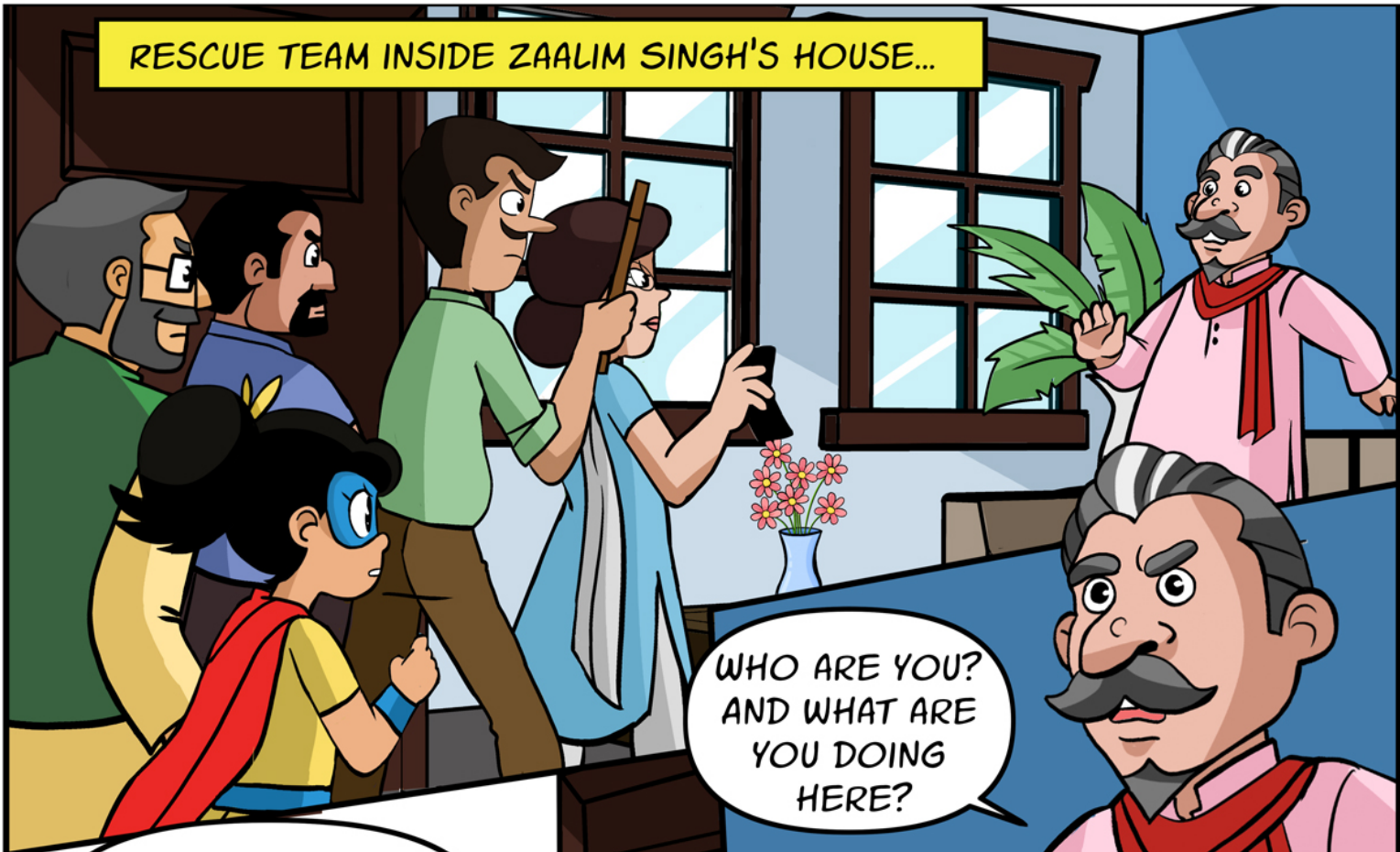
DABUNG GIRL EXTENDS HER BODY...



SHE LIFTS THE JEEP AND CARRIES IT TO THE OTHER SIDE OF THE RIVER



RESCUE TEAM INSIDE ZAALIM SINGH'S HOUSE...



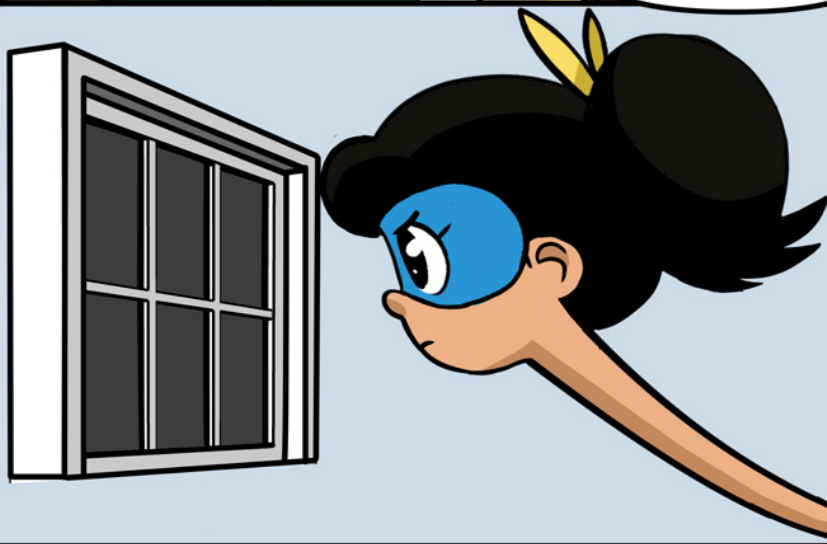
WHO ARE YOU?
AND WHAT ARE
YOU DOING
HERE?

DON'T YOU KNOW
IT'S ILLEGAL TO FORCE
CHILDREN TO WORK?

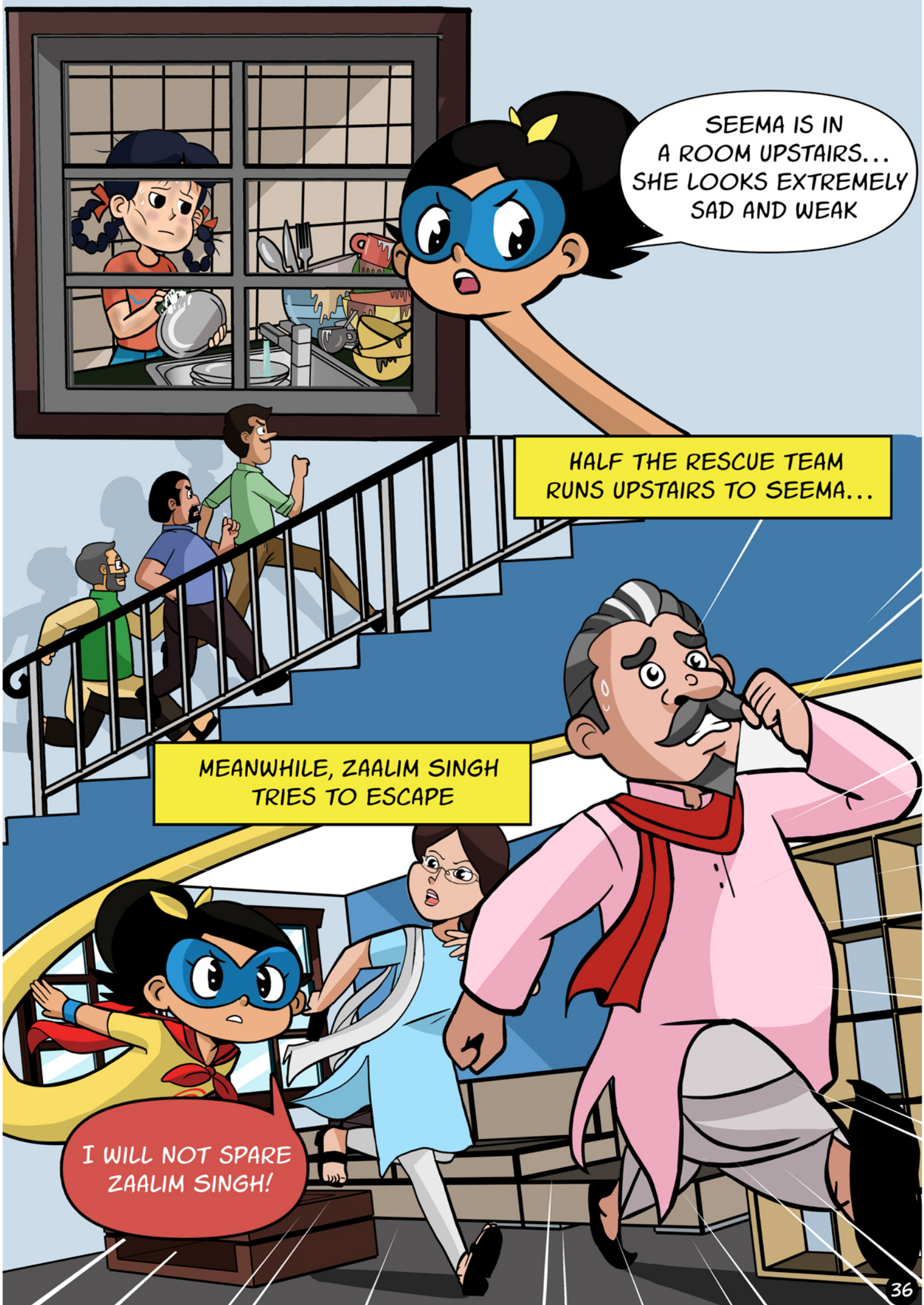


WHERE IS
SEEMA?

THERE'S NO ONE
BY THAT NAME
HERE



DABUNG GIRL STRETCHES
HERSELF...

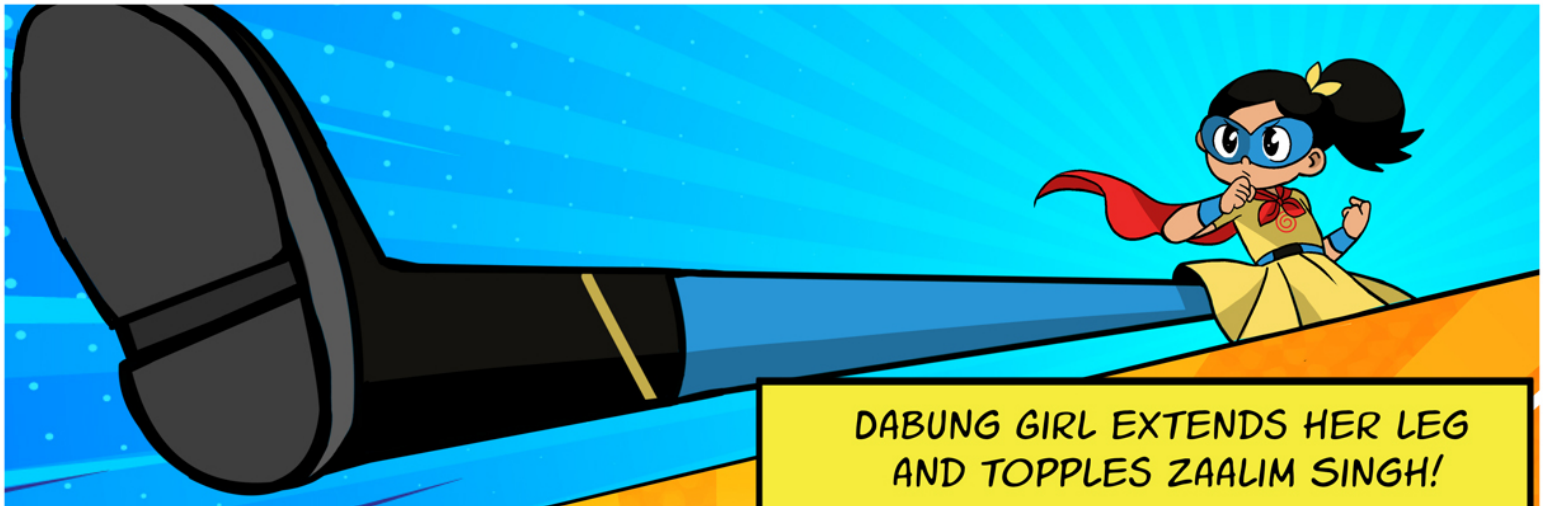


SEEMA IS IN
A ROOM UPSTAIRS...
SHE LOOKS EXTREMELY
SAD AND WEAK

HALF THE RESCUE TEAM
RUNS UPSTAIRS TO SEEMA...

MEANWHILE, ZAALIM SINGH
TRIES TO ESCAPE

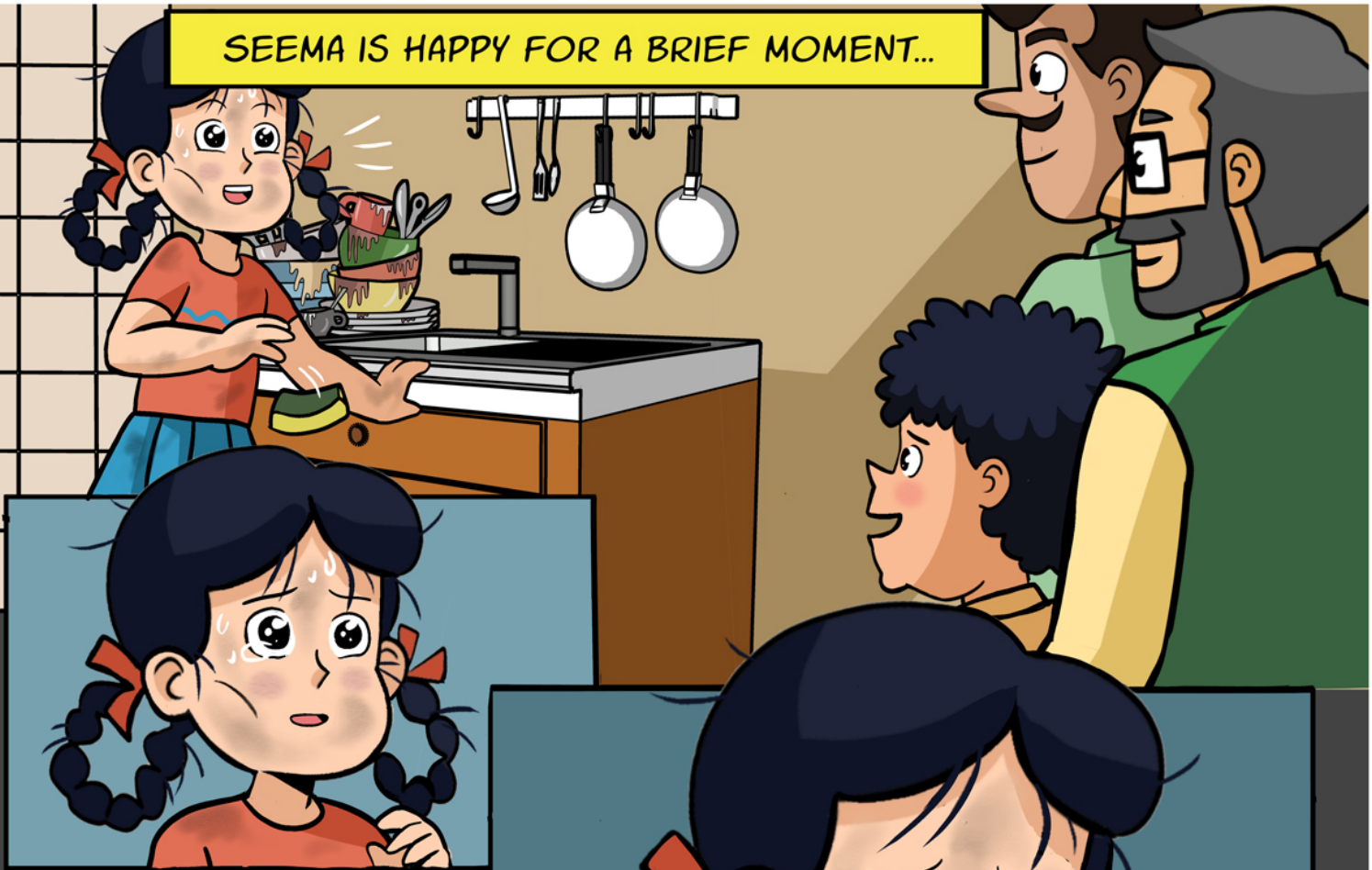
I WILL NOT SPARE
ZAALIM SINGH!



DABUNG GIRL EXTENDS HER LEG AND TOPPLES ZAAIM SINGH!



SEEMA IS HAPPY FOR A BRIEF MOMENT...



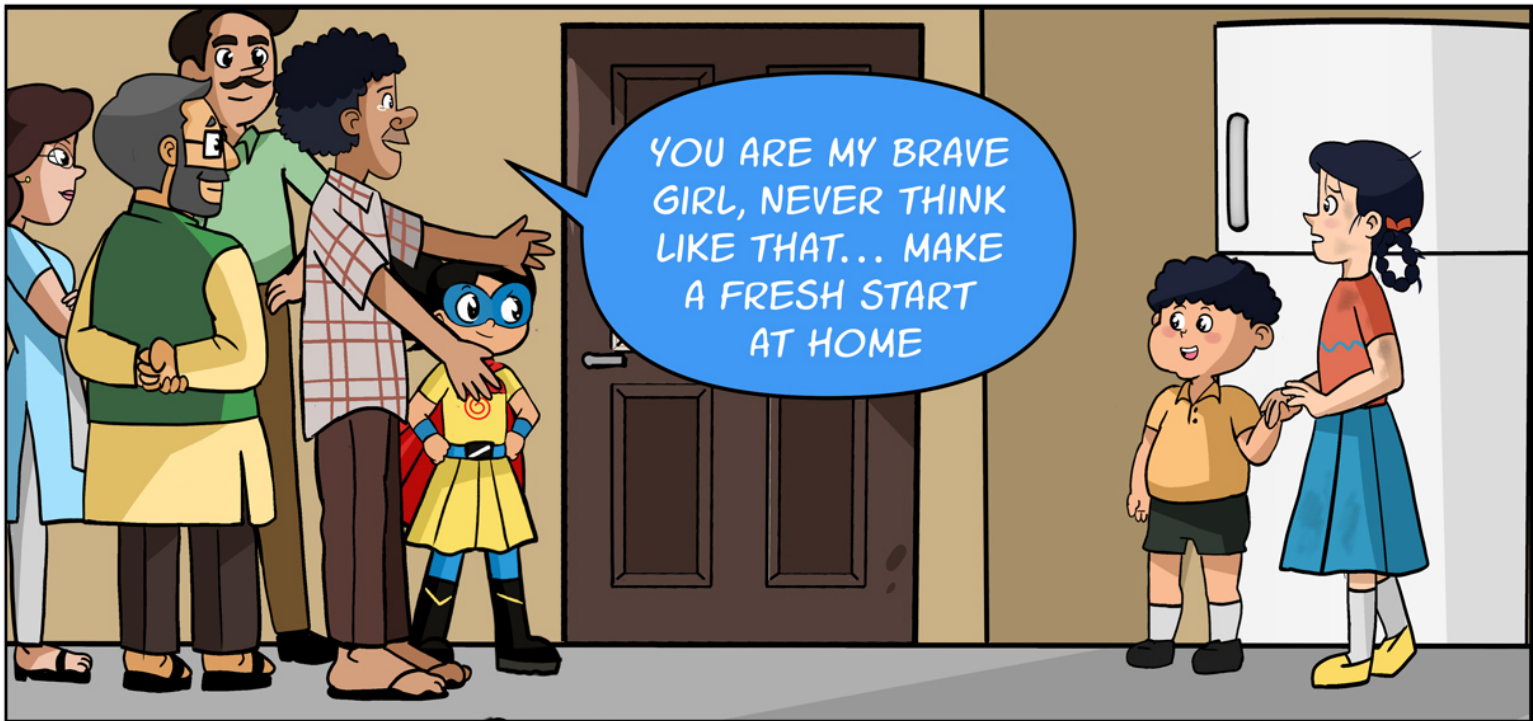
BUT THEN SHE STARTS SOBBING



DIDI!!!!!!
HOW ARE YOU?
LET'S JUST GO
HOME NOW!

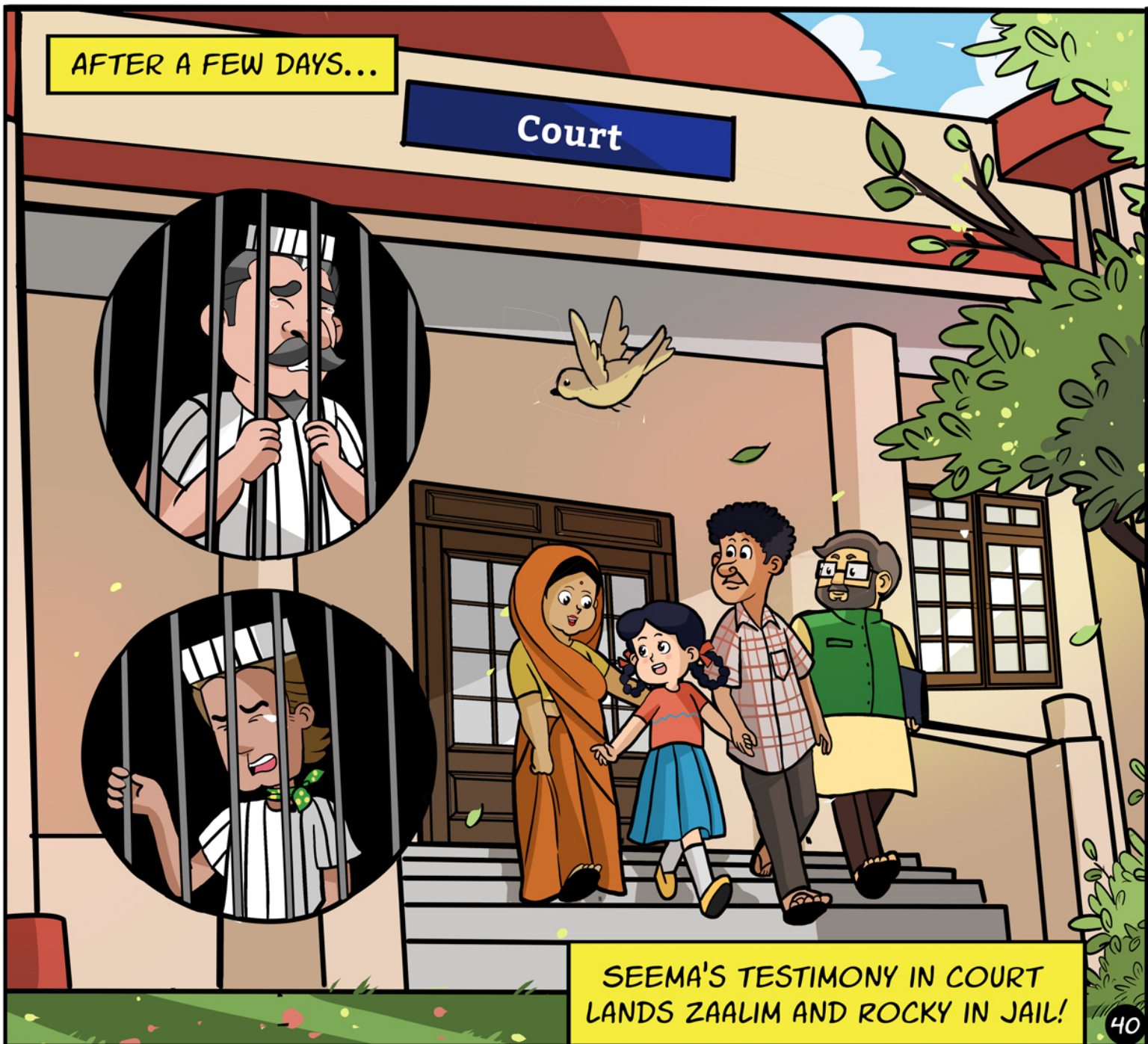
ROCKY LIED TO ME AND
PUT ME TO WORK HERE.
I WORKED DAY AND NIGHT,
WAS BARELY GIVEN ANY FOOD,
AND WAS BEATEN AT EVERY
LITTLE MISTAKE...

HOW WILL I
SHOW MY FACE
AT HOME NOW...



SEEMA RUNS TO HER FATHER
AND GIVES HIM A TIGHT HUG





ON A BEAUTIFUL SUNDAY...

THANK YOU ALL
SO MUCH FOR
SAVING ME!

WE WON'T LET
THIS HAPPEN TO
ANYONE ELSE...

BUT WHAT CAN
WE DO?

WE'LL HAVE TO
LOOK OUT FOR
EACH OTHER!

WHY DON'T WE FORM A
CHILDREN'S PANCHAYAT IN
THE VILLAGE?



WHAT IS CHILD TRAFFICKING?

CHILD TRAFFICKING IS THE ILLEGAL BUYING, SELLING, AND EXPLOITATION OF CHILDREN FOR THE PURPOSE OF SLAVERY. IT IS A VIOLATION OF A CHILD'S RIGHTS. IT OCCURS IN EVERY PART OF THE WORLD, IN CITIES, IN TOWNS AND EVEN IN VILLAGES. THIS CAN HAPPEN WITH CHILDREN OF ANY AGE OR GENDER. CHILDREN ARE EXPLOITED ILLEGALLY USING FORCE, VIOLENCE, FRAUD AND COERCION. CHILDREN BELONGING TO POOR FAMILIES ARE THE MOST VULNERABLE. THEY ARE PRIME TARGETS FOR THE CRIME NETWORK OF CHILD TRAFFICKERS.



WHY ARE CHILDREN TRAFFICKED?

CHILDREN ARE TRAFFICKED MOSTLY TO WORK IN FACTORIES, FARMS, AND CONSTRUCTION BUILDINGS, TO WORK INSIDE HOMES AS DOMESTIC WORKERS, AND IN SOME CASES, EVEN TO SELL THEIR ORGANS. CHILD TRAFFICKING ALSO HAPPENS FOR CHILD MARRIAGE, SEXUAL EXPLOITATION, BEGGARY AND TO MAKE CHILDREN COMMIT CRIMES LIKE PICK-POCKETING, STEALING, SELLING DRUGS ETC.

IN THE CURRENT PANDEMIC SITUATION, WHICH HAS RESULTED IN A LOSS OF JOBS AND SECURITY FOR MANY FAMILIES, CHILD TRAFFICKING IS LIKELY TO INCREASE ONCE THE LOCKDOWN IS OVER. IN SUCH TIMES, EVERYONE NEEDS TO BE EVEN MORE CAREFUL.



WHICH LAWS DEAL WITH CHILD TRAFFICKING IN INDIA?

- INDIAN PENAL CODE, 1860
- IMMORAL TRAFFIC (PREVENTION) ACT, 1956
- PROHIBITION OF CHILD MARRIAGE ACT, 2006
- PROTECTION OF CHILDREN FROM SEXUAL OFFENCES ACT, 2012
- JUVENILE JUSTICE (CARE AND PROTECTION) ACT, 2015
- BONDED LABOUR SYSTEM (ABOLITION) ACT, 1976
- CHILD AND ADOLESCENT LABOUR ACT, 1986
- PROHIBITION AND REGULATION OF TRANSPLANTATION OF HUMAN ORGANS ACT, 1994



WHAT CAN YOU DO IF YOU COME ACROSS A CHILD WHO HAS BEEN TRAFFICKED?

YOU CAN FILE A COMPLAINT OF A CHILD TRAFFICKING INCIDENT AT ANY OF THE FOLLOWING PLACES -

- POLICE STATION (CALL AT 100)
- CHILD LINE (CALL AT 1098)
- BACHPAN BACHAO ANDOLAN'S COMPLAINT CELL (CALL AT 1800-102-7222)

LETTER FROM DABUNG GIRL

HELLO FRIENDS... KAVOOM!!!

"WHERE THERE IS A WILL, THERE IS A WAY!" ... IN THIS EDITION WE WERE ABLE TO SAVE SEEMA BY TAKING TIMELY ACTION. AND WHAT CHINTU AND HIS FAMILY HAD THOUGHT TO BE IMPOSSIBLE, WAS ACHIEVED BY A COMBINATION OF AWARENESS, SMART THINKING, AND POLICE'S SUPPORT. THEREFORE, ALWAYS REMEMBER, NOTHING IS IMPOSSIBLE! THE POLICE AND THE LAW HAVE HELPED SAVE MANY CHILDREN FROM SUCH DANGEROUS SITUATIONS IN THE PAST, AND THEY ARE ALWAYS AVAILABLE TO HELP US.

FRIENDS, SUCH INCIDENTS CAN HAPPEN WITH BOTH GIRLS AND BOYS. BUT WE CAN AVOID AS WELL AS FIGHT SUCH SITUATIONS BY BEING CAUTIOUS:

- DON'T FALL FOR FALSE SHINY DREAMS SHOWN BY OTHERS, ESPECIALLY BY PEOPLE YOU DON'T KNOW WELL
- IF SOMEONE TRIES TO LURE YOU INTO RUNNING AWAY WITH THEM, OR EXERCISES FORCE, IMMEDIATELY INFORM A RELIABLE FAMILY MEMBER AND/OR THE POLICE
- ALWAYS REMEMBER THAT THE LAW AND POLICE ARE THERE FOR CHILDREN'S PROTECTION, SO DON'T HESITATE IN FILING A COMPLAINT
- IF A FRIEND VANISHES SUDDENLY, REPORT IT IMMEDIATELY

MOVING ON TO SOME OTHER STUFF, I HOPE YOU ARE TAKING ALL THE RECOMMENDED PRECAUTIONS TO PROTECT YOURSELF AGAINST THE CORONAVIRUS! REMEMBER, WE HAVE TO BE CAREFUL. OK, I MUST LEAVE NOW... I'M HUNGRY! I'M THINKING I'LL HAVE LASSI TODAY.. YUMMMM!

SEE YOU SOON. UNTIL THEN... SAYONARA!

LOVE + HUGS,
DABUNG GIRL



COLOUR ME

I LOVE COLOURFUL CLOTHES.
CAN YOU SUGGEST NEW
COLOURS FOR MY
CLOTHES?



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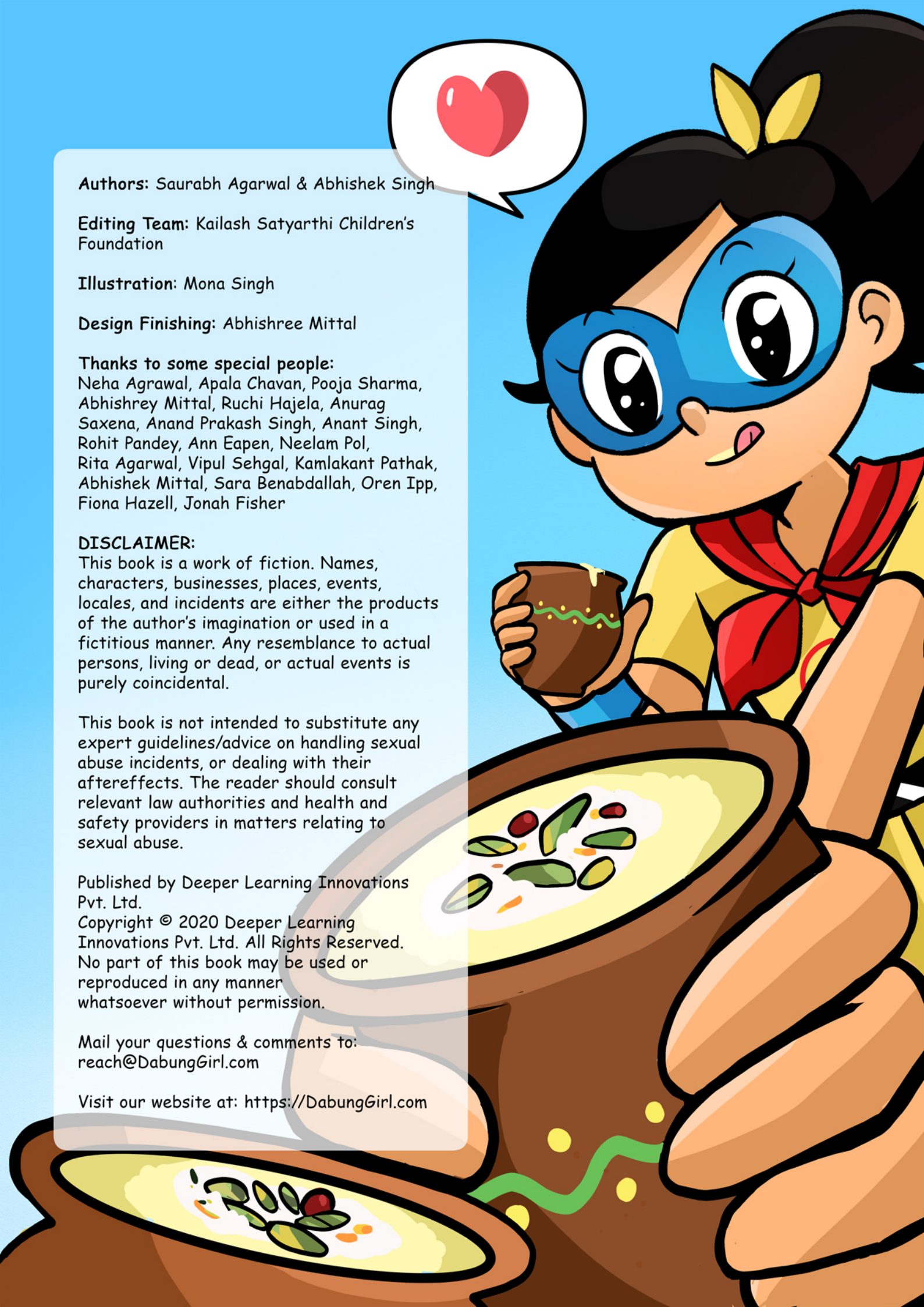
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Kailash Satyarthi Children's Foundation (KSCF), founded by Nobel Peace Laureate Mr. Kailash Satyarthi, pictures a world where all children are free, safe, healthy, in school, and with the opportunity to succeed. Our mission is to end all violence against children worldwide by continuing Mr. Satyarthi's work on a local, national and international level. We actively engage children/ youth as part of the solution, building greater collaboration between governments, business and communities to produce effective national and international laws.

YOUNG PEOPLE MAKING CHANGE/ THE 100 MILLION CAMPAIGN

The 100 Million campaign is a call to action for a world where all young people are free, safe and educated.

KSCF supports young people to end violence against children, eradicate child labour, and ensures education, breaking a series of bonded cycles. Inspired by the strength of former child slaves, who have now become successful activists themselves, 100 Million empowers youth mobilisation, and aims to increase global understanding. KSCF believes this will create a world where all young people are safe, and learning in school, with an opportunity to succeed.

CHANGE IS POSSIBLE - IT'S TIME TO WORK TOGETHER AND DEMAND IT. ACT NOW BY TAKING THE PLEDGE.
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