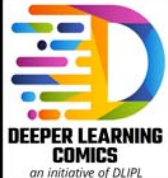


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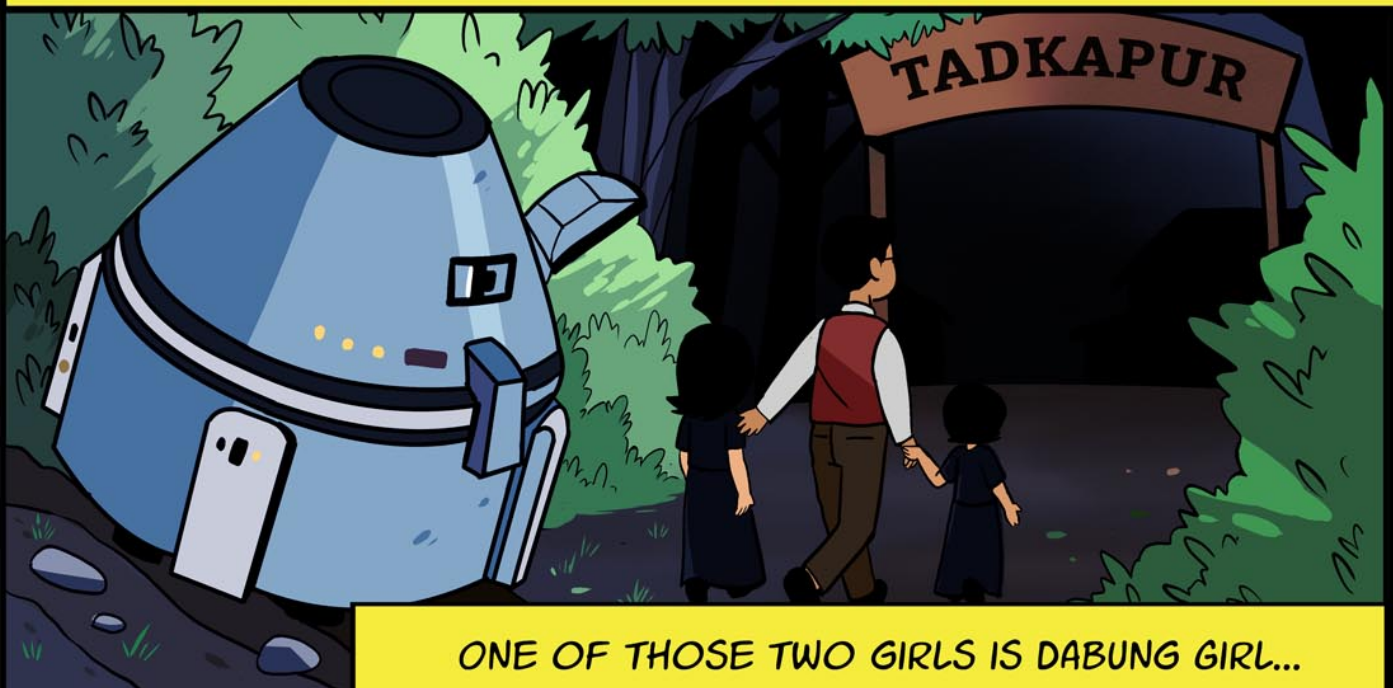
ONE DAY, SOME ALIENS KIDNAPPED INDIA'S FAMOUS SCIENTIST...  
UNKNOWINGLY, THEY ALSO TOOK BOTH OF HER DAUGHTERS...  
NOBODY KNOWS WHY!



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



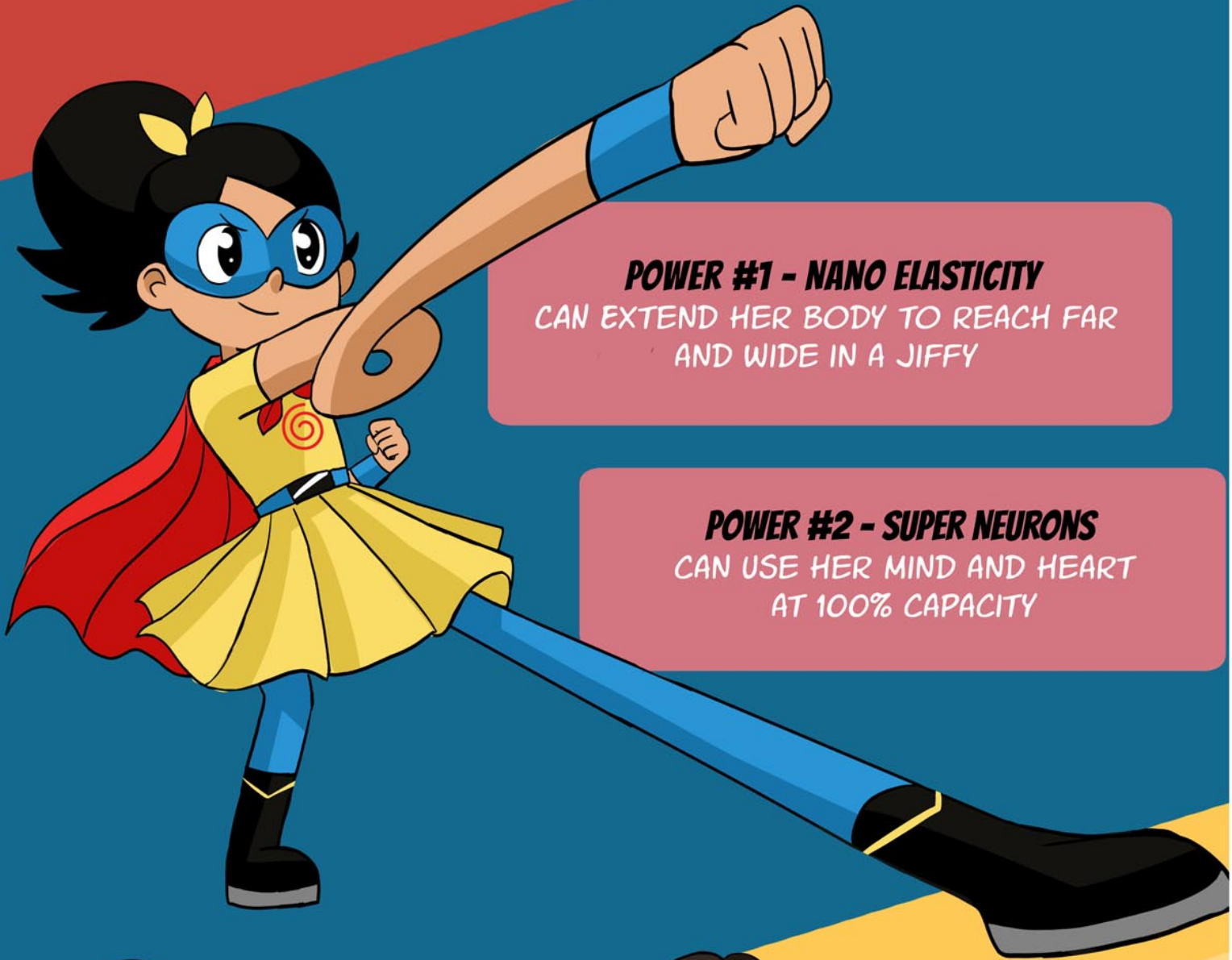
THAT SAME NIGHT, A CAPSULE FROM ANOTHER WORLD LANDS ON EARTH, AND  
BRINGS BACK THE SCIENTIST'S DAUGHTERS TO THEIR FATHER IN TADKAPUR...  
BUT THE SCIENTIST'S WHEREABOUTS ARE UNKNOWN EVEN TODAY...



ONE OF THOSE TWO GIRLS IS 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 MUSKAAN'S SMILE

OUTSIDE THE SCHOOL...

MUSKAAN HAS NOT  
COME TO SCHOOL  
SINCE TWO DAYS

BUT SHE  
RARELY TAKES  
LEAVES!

I ALSO HAVE HER  
EXAM COPY...

SUCH LOW  
MARKS IN  
SCIENCE?

BUT SCIENCE IS  
MUSKAAN'S FAVOURITE  
SUBJECT!

LET'S GO TO  
HER HOUSE

AT MUSKAAN'S HOME...

KIDS, MUSKAAN HAS  
A STOMACH ACHE,  
SHE WILL NOT BE ABLE  
TO PLAY TODAY

NO PROBLEM,  
AUNTY...PLEASE GIVE  
THIS COPY TO HER



A WEEK LATER  
AT THE PARK...

OKAY!  
TELL ME,

WHAT  
ALWAYS INCREASES,  
BUT NEVER  
DECREASES?

THAT'S A  
TOUGH ONE!

HMMM...  
I GOT IT,  
THE ANSWER IS

CHINTU'S  
PUZZLES!



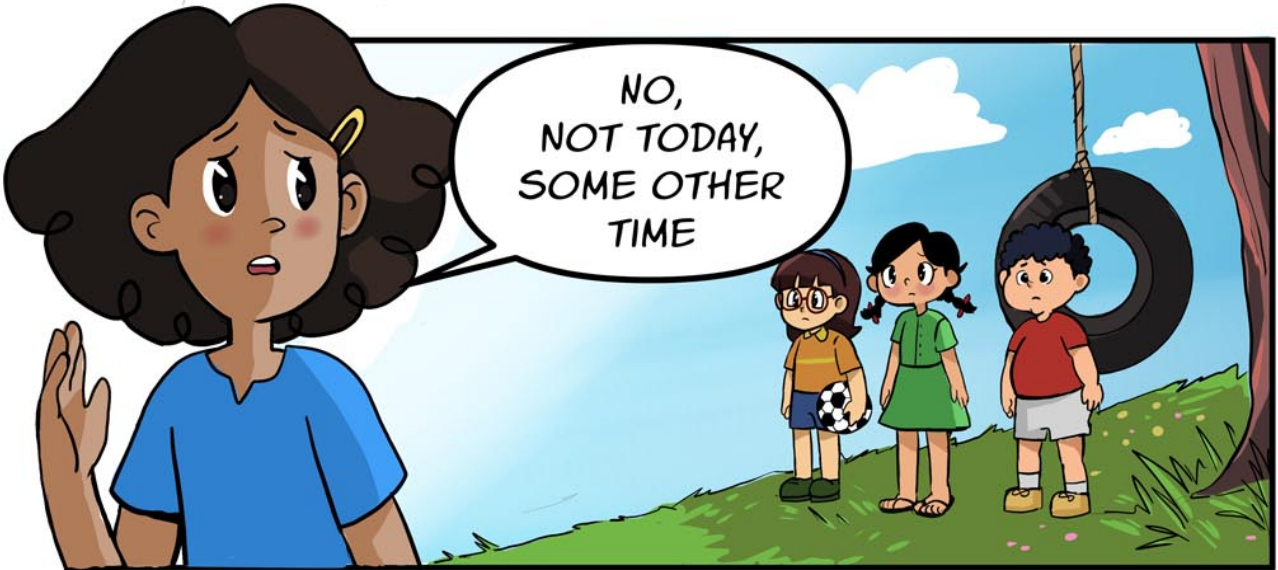


MUSKAAN PASSES BY...



MUSKAAN!  
MUSKAAN!

WAIT... LET'S PLAY  
FOR A WHILE!



NO,  
NOT TODAY,  
SOME OTHER  
TIME

MUSKAAN GOES AWAY...



MUSKAAN SEEMS A  
LITTLE DIFFERENT  
THESE DAYS

HMMM...  
GOT TO FIGURE  
OUT WHAT'S  
THE MATTER

AFTER SOME TIME...

MY BOAT WILL WIN THIS RACE!

BUT YOU HAVE MADE AN AEROPLANE!

THAT'S BECAUSE MY BOAT WILL FLY!

HA!

HA!

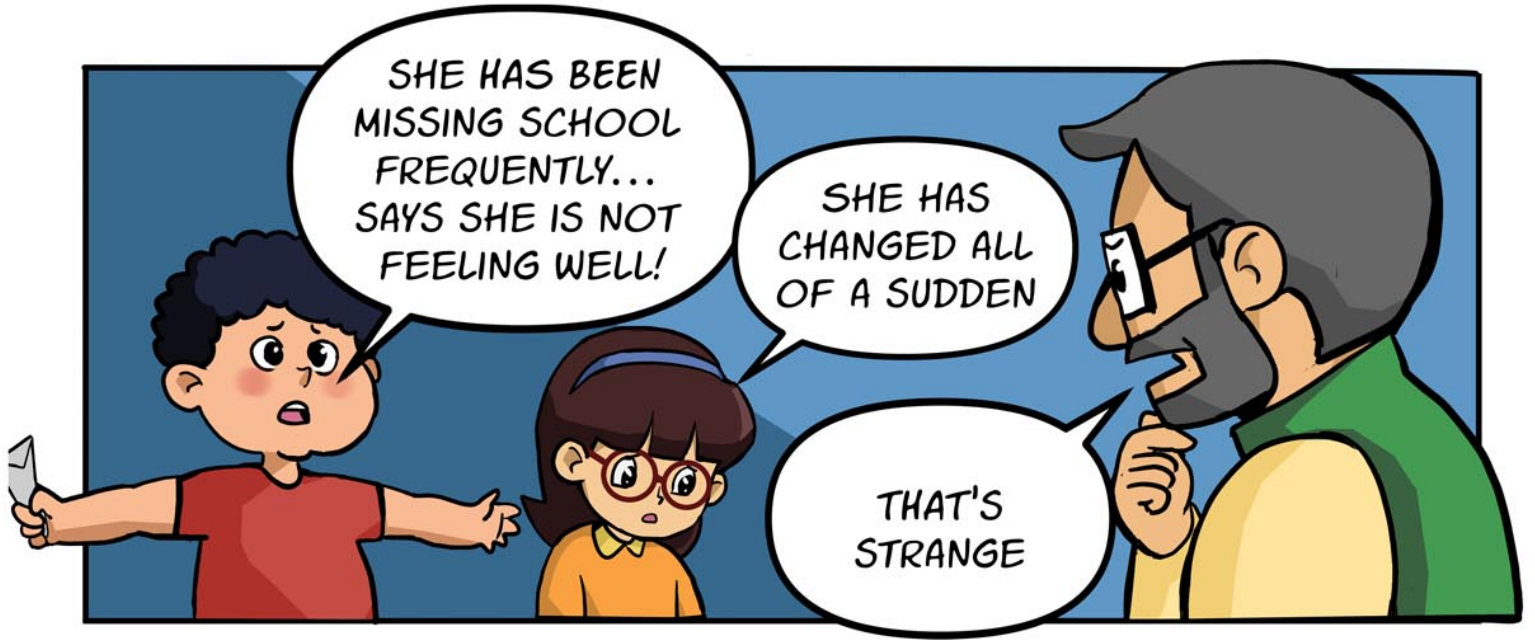
HA!

SATYA UNCLE, A SOCIAL WORKER, REACHES THERE...

HERE'S SOME BHEL-PURI FOR YOU

BUT WHERE'S MUSKAAN?

MUSKAAN HAS BEEN AVOIDING US SINCE MANY DAYS





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



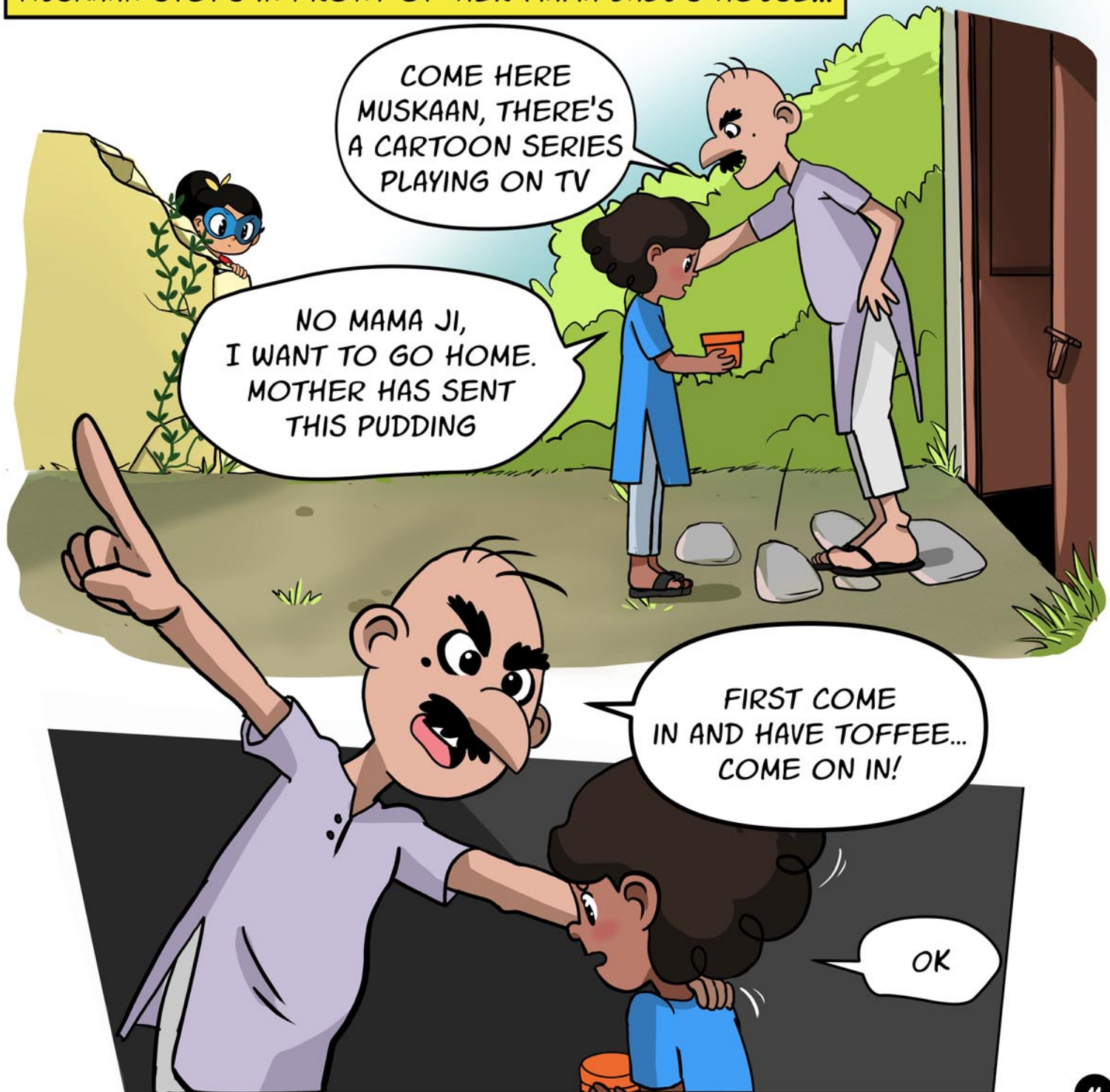
AAYI RE, AAYI RE,  
DABUNG GIRL AAYI RE!



DABUNG GIRL SEES MUSKAAN ON THE STREET...



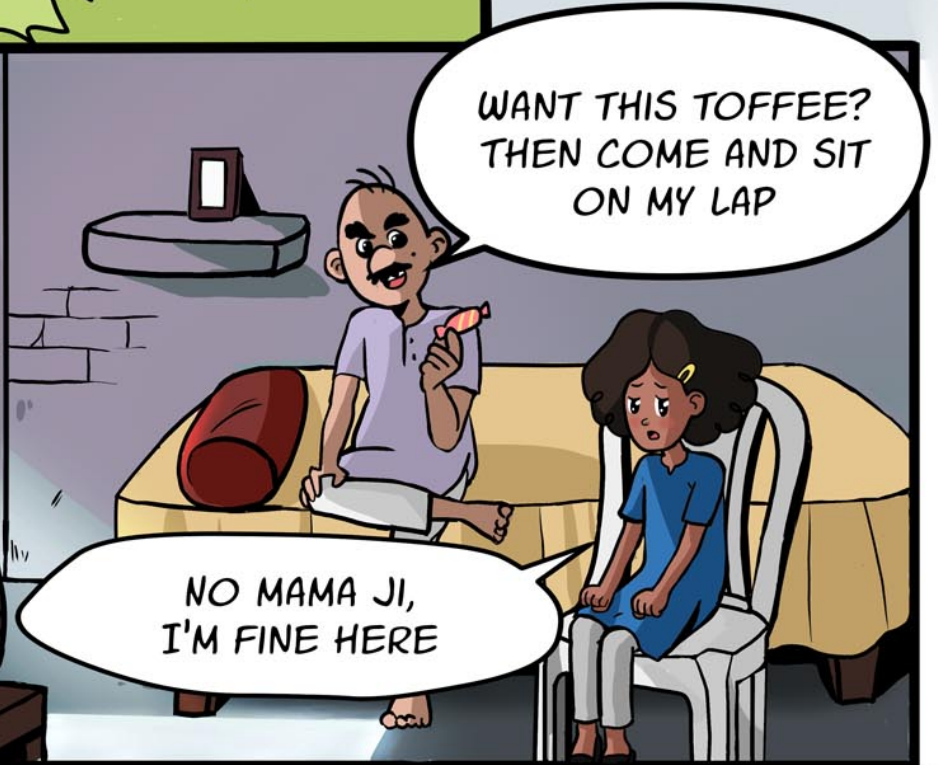
MUSKAAN STOPS IN FRONT OF HER MAMA BABU'S HOUSE...





MUSKAAN LOOKS SCARED! SOMETHING'S WRONG

DABUNG GIRL USES HER POWER... STRETCHES HER BODY AND LOOKS INSIDE...



WANT THIS TOFFEE? THEN COME AND SIT ON MY LAP

NO MAMA JI, I'M FINE HERE



I SAID COME HERE!

I... I... I AM COMING...



MUSKAAN IS IN DANGER... LET ME KNOCK ON THE DOOR



Thak!  
Thak!  
Thak!



OH... NO... WHO COULD IT BE?



GO MUSKAAN, HIDE SOMEWHERE!

AS SOON AS BABU OPENS THE DOOR, MUSKAAN RUNS TOWARDS HER HOUSE...



DABUNG GIRL RUNNING AFTER MUSKAAN...



MUSKAAN CROUCHED IN A ROOM IN HER HOUSE...

DABUNG GIRL ARRIVES...

DON'T BE AFRAID MUSKAAN, IT'S ME, DABUNG GIRL

WHY DID YOU COME? EVERYTHING IS FINE HERE

I FIGURED BABU IS NOT A GOOD MAN. IS THERE ANYTHING YOU WANT TO SHARE WITH ME?

NO, HE IS MY MAMA JI... HE GIVES ME TOFFEES, LETS ME WATCH TV

THEN WHY ARE YOU SO ANXIOUS, MUSKAAN?

MUSKAAN BURSTS INTO TEARS...

HE INVITED ME TO PLAY,  
AND THEN STARTED TOUCHING  
ME EVERYWHERE!

SHOWED ME DIRTY PHOTOS...  
BUT IT IS MY FAULT...  
WHY DID I GO, TOOK  
THE TOFFEE TOO!

MUSKAAN, IT IS HIS  
FAULT, NOT YOURS!

NOW TOGETHER WE WILL  
TEACH HIM A LESSON.  
JUST LISTEN TO ME NOW...



DABUNG GIRL GOES TO SATYA UNCLE'S OFFICE AND TELLS HIM EVERYTHING...

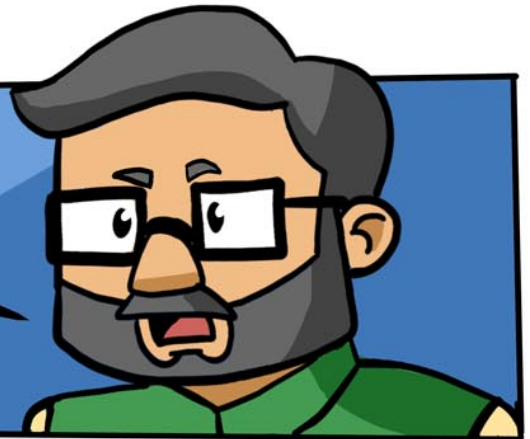
WE MUST TAKE ACTION RIGHT AWAY. DID MUSKAAN TELL HER PARENTS?

YES, BUT THEY SAY THAT THIS WILL RUIN THEIR REPUTATION. SO, THEY WILL NOT TELL THE POLICE.

THEY DID NOT EVEN QUESTION BABU!



LET'S GO TO MUSKAAN'S HOUSE IMMEDIATELY



DABUNG GIRL AND SATYA UNCLE AT MUSKAAN'S HOUSE...

DON'T YOU KNOW THAT NOT FILING A CHILD'S SEXUAL ABUSE COMPLAINT IS A LEGAL OFFENSE?

HUH!







IT'S OUR PERSONAL MATTER, AND DEALING WITH IT IS OUR RESPONSIBILITY

YOU MUST LEAVE



AND IS CHILDREN'S PROTECTION NOT ELDERS' RESPONSIBILITY?



MUSKAAN, WHAT HAVE YOU DONE...

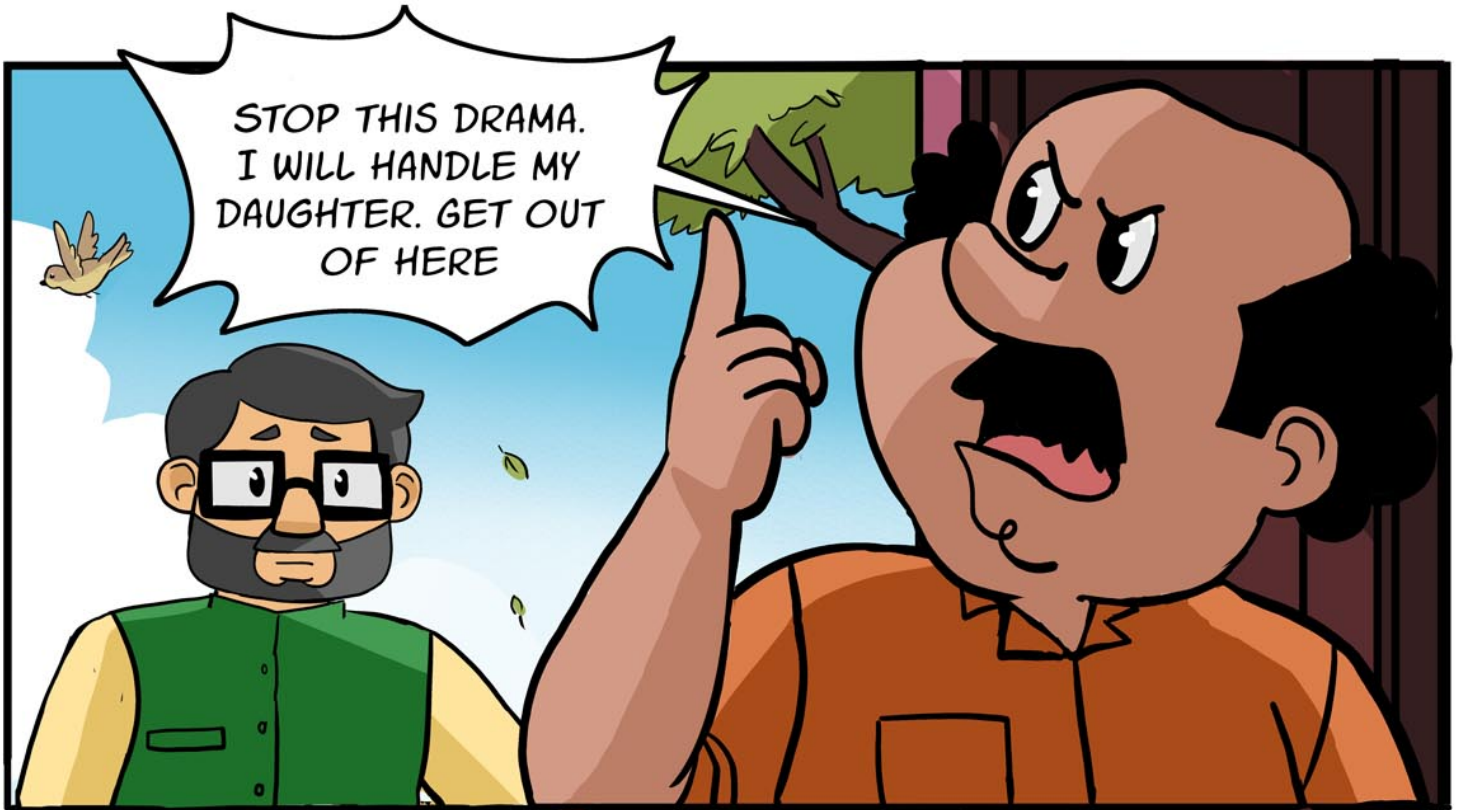


WHY ARE YOU ASKING THIS QUESTION TO MUSKAAN? IT IS THAT MAN'S FAULT

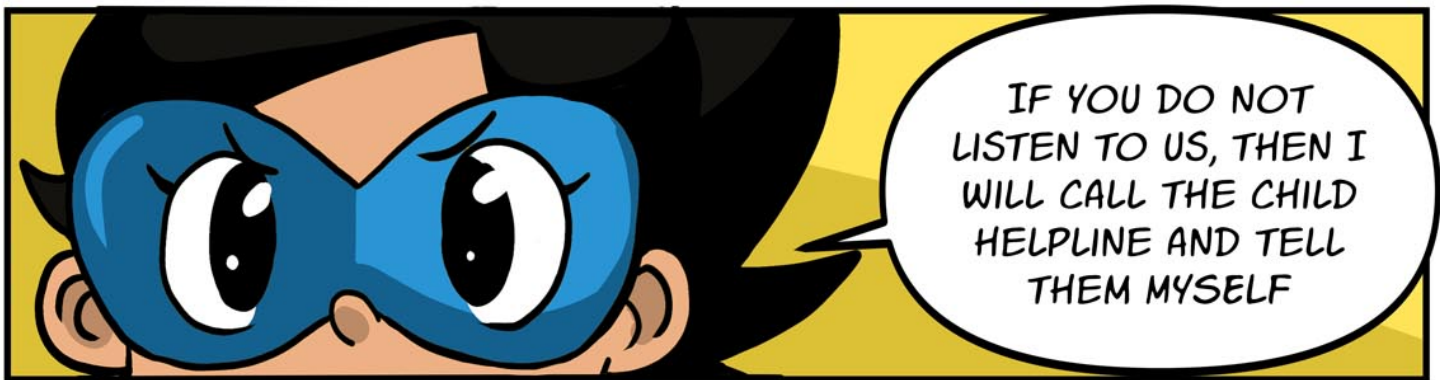
AND WE WILL GET HIM PUNISHED



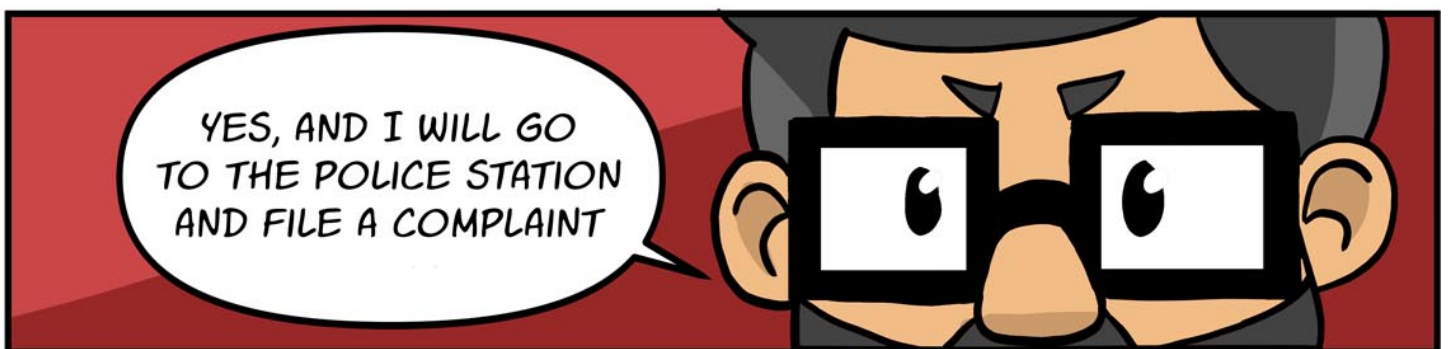
REMEMBER,  
THAT CRIMINAL IS THE  
ONE WHO SHOULD BE  
ASHAMED, NOT THIS  
INNOCENT CHILD



STOP THIS DRAMA.  
I WILL HANDLE MY  
DAUGHTER. GET OUT  
OF HERE



IF YOU DO NOT  
LISTEN TO US, THEN I  
WILL CALL THE CHILD  
HELPLINE AND TELL  
THEM MYSELF



YES, AND I WILL GO  
TO THE POLICE STATION  
AND FILE A COMPLAINT



I JUST DON'T KNOW WHAT TO DO!



UNDER THE POCSO ACT, THE SAFETY OF EVERY CHILD IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE POLICE, LAW, AND SOCIETY

FIRST OF ALL, LETS FILE A COMPLAINT WITH THE POLICE AT ONCE...

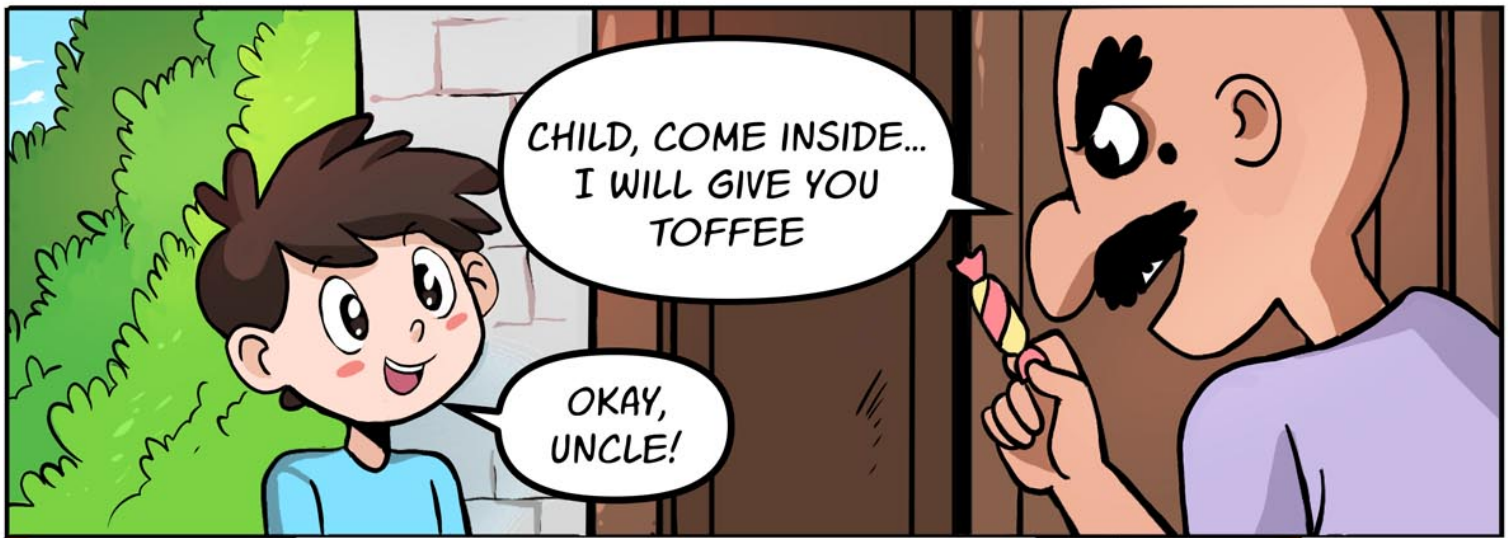
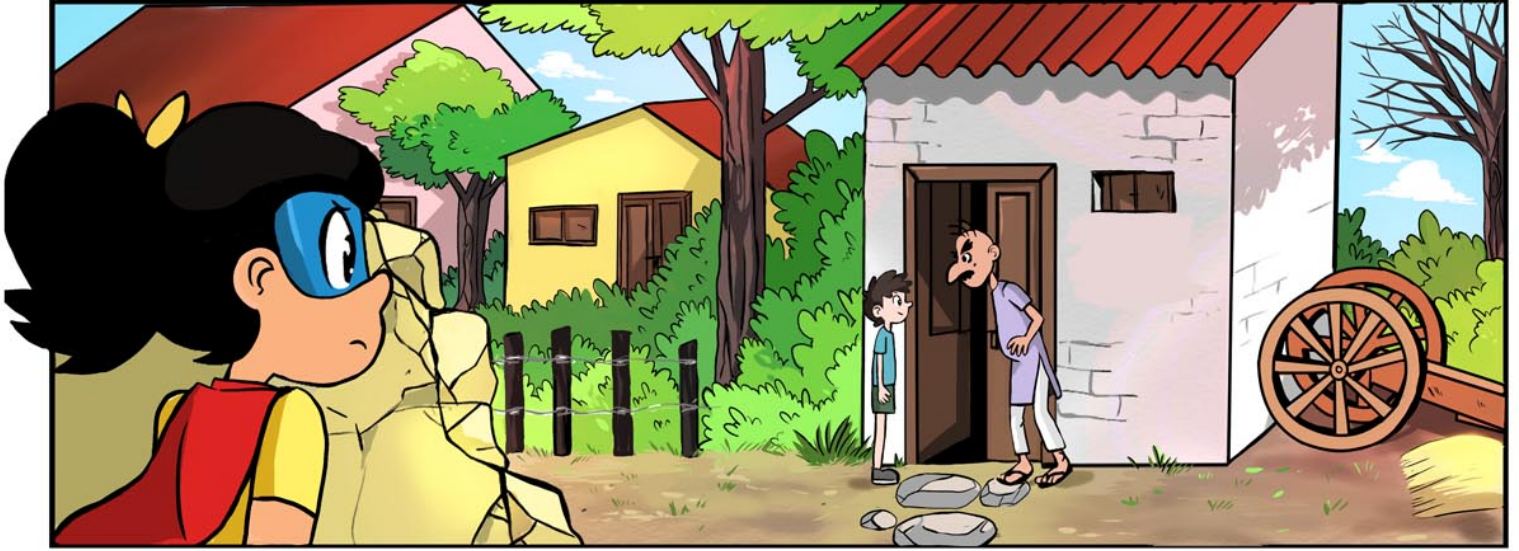
ALSO, CALL 1098 CHILD HELPLINE AND ASK FOR A COUNSELLOR FOR MUSKAAN

YES, I WILL  
INFORM THE POLICE  
IMMEDIATELY

I WILL HANDLE  
BABU UNTIL THE  
POLICE ARRIVE



DABUNG GIRL HIDES NEAR BABU'S HOUSE AND WATCHES...



DABUNG GIRL INTERRUPTS...








YOUR  
WORST NIGHTMARE!  
DABUNG GIRL!

BABU RUNS AT FULL SPEED...

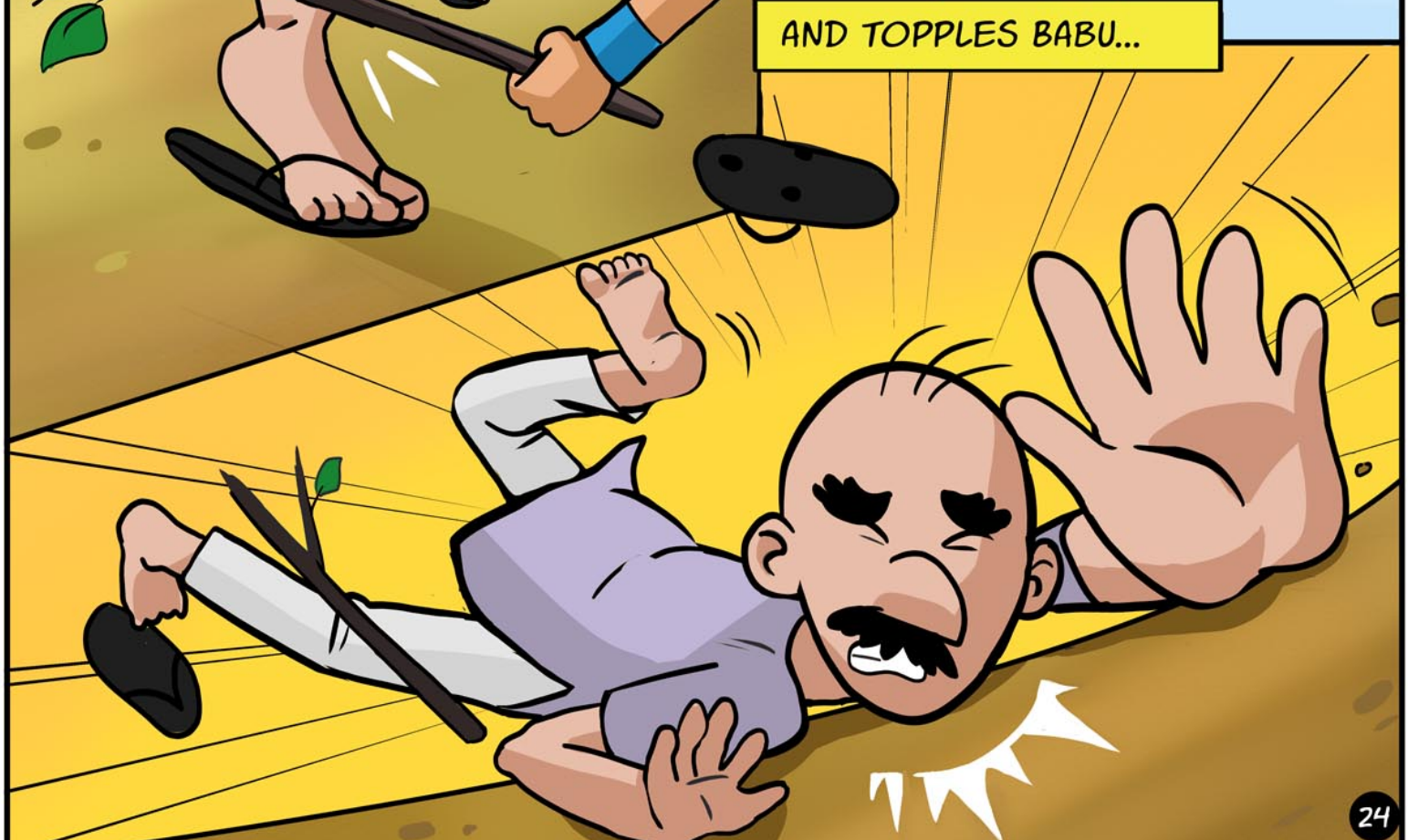


LONG ARM OF  
THE LAW, AND MY ELASTIC  
SUPERPOWER! WHERE  
WILL YOU RUN FROM  
BOTH OF US?

DABUNG GIRL EXTENDS HER BODY...

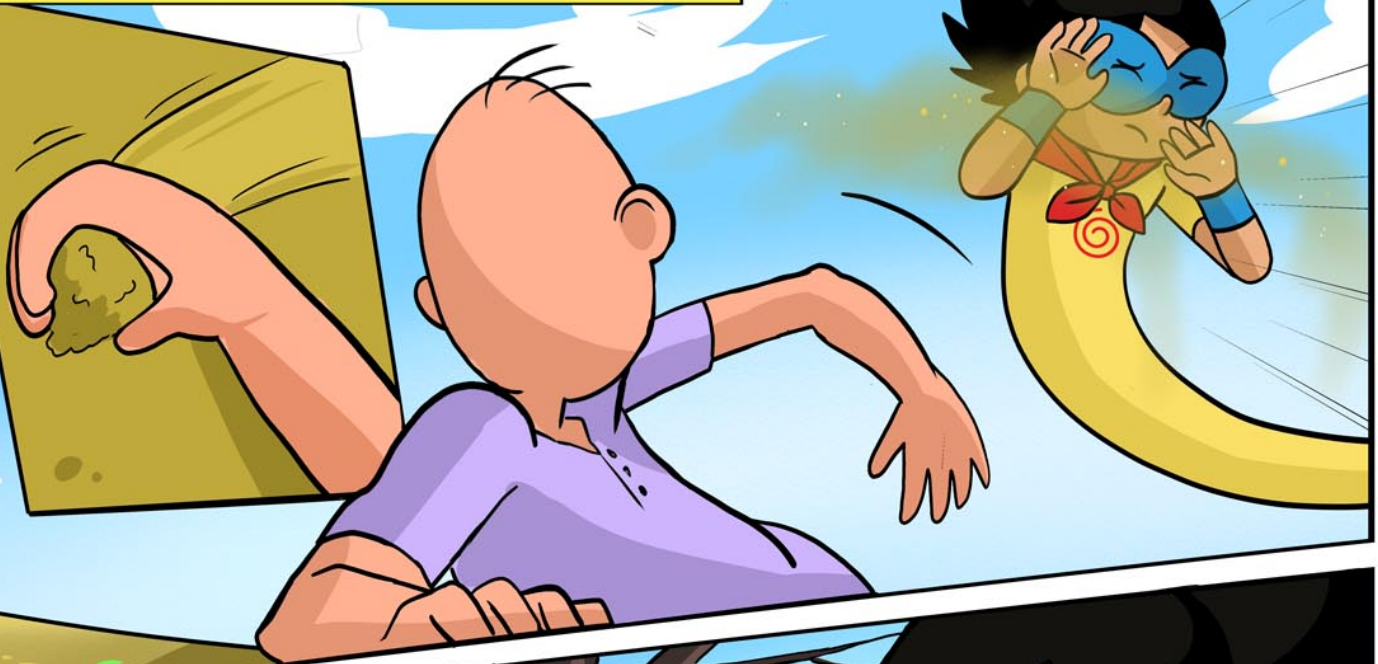


AND TOPPLES BABU...





BABU THROWS DUST IN DABUNG GIRL'S EYES...



AND RUNS AWAY...



I CAN'T SEE ANYTHING!  
WHERE DID HE  
RUN AWAY?

JUST THEN, SATYA UNCLE REACHES THERE...



ARE YOU OKAY  
DABUNG GIRL?

THANKS,  
I'M OKAY!

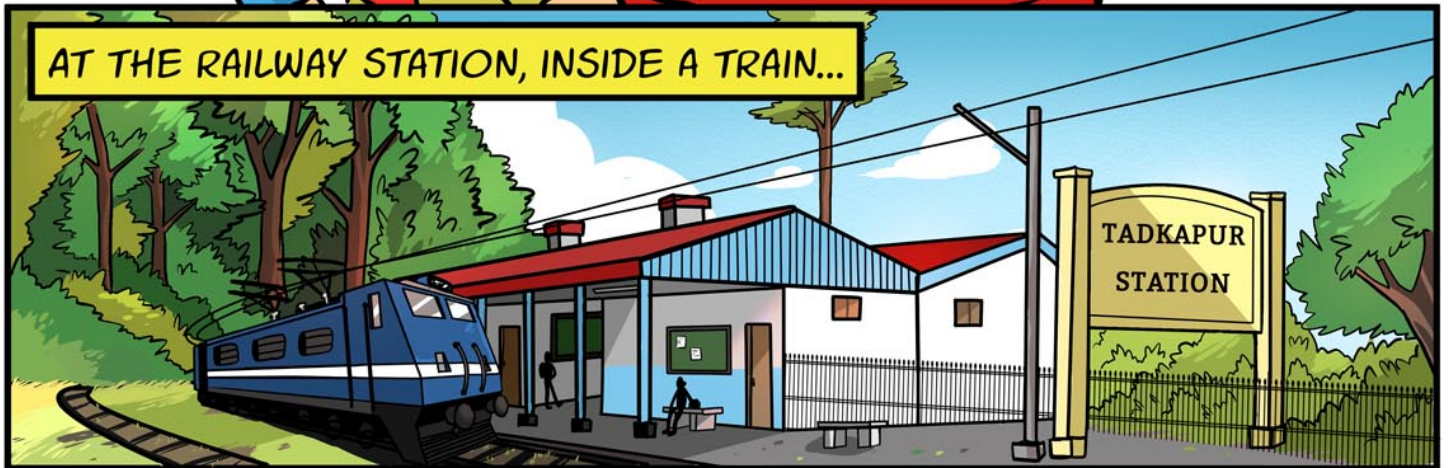
WHERE DID  
BABU GO?



HE MUST HAVE GONE EITHER TO THE BUS STAND OR TO THE RAILWAY STATION

DABUNG GIRL REACHES THE BUS STAND...



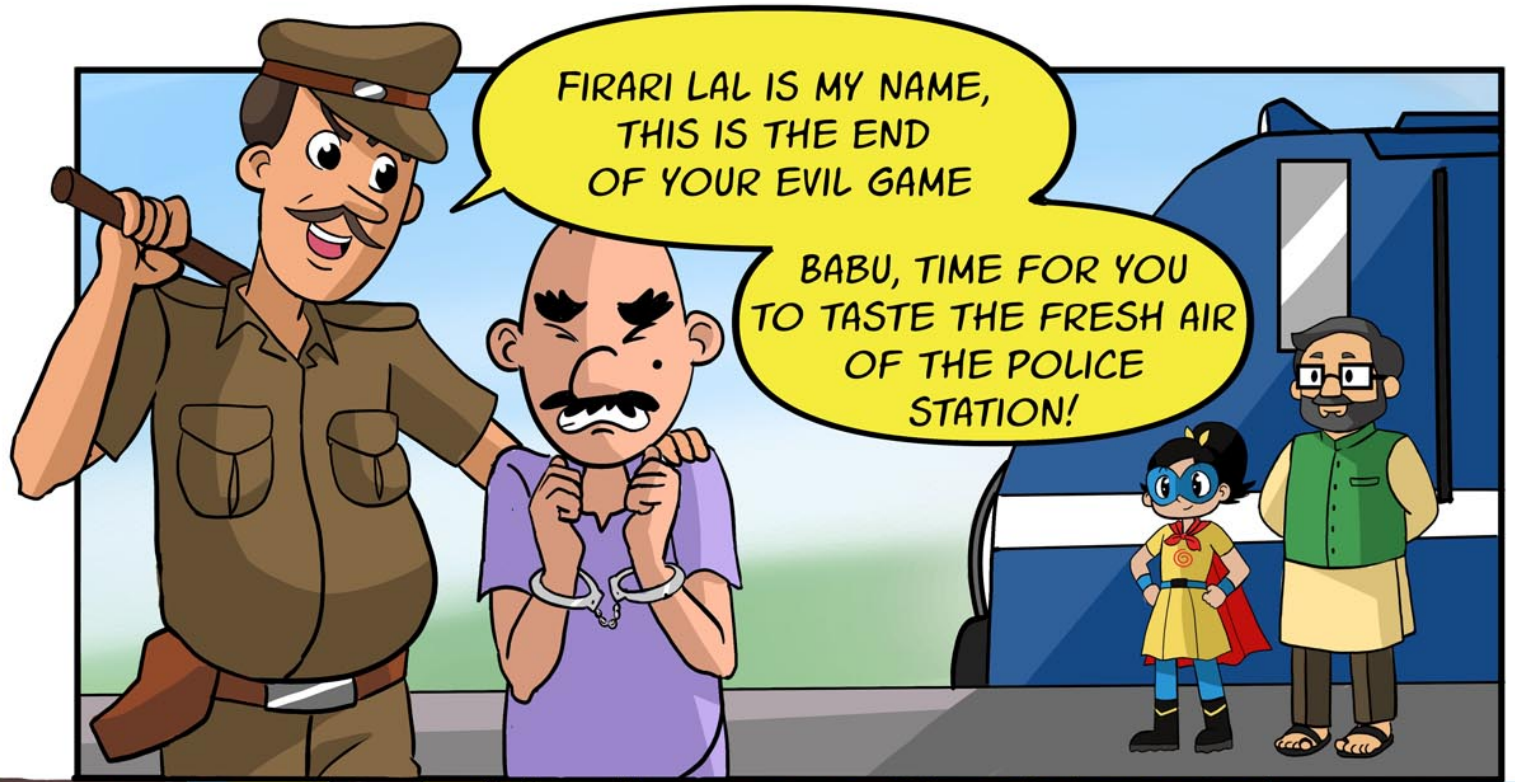




HEYYYYYY! SOMEONE BRING ME DOWN!!!



POLICE AND SATYA UNCLE ARRIVE...



FIRARI LAL IS MY NAME,  
THIS IS THE END  
OF YOUR EVIL GAME

BABU, TIME FOR YOU  
TO TASTE THE FRESH AIR  
OF THE POLICE  
STATION!

NEXT DAY, UNDER THE TREE...

CHILDREN, YOU DID VERY  
WELL BY BEING OBSERVANT  
OF YOUR FRIEND'S CHANGED  
BEHAVIOUR

SHE WILL BE BACK  
TO SCHOOL SOON!

WHAT WILL  
HAPPEN TO  
MUSKAAN NOW?

COUNSELLOR AUNTY  
IS SPEAKING TO HER  
REGULARLY AND  
PROVIDING HER ALL  
THE SUPPORT





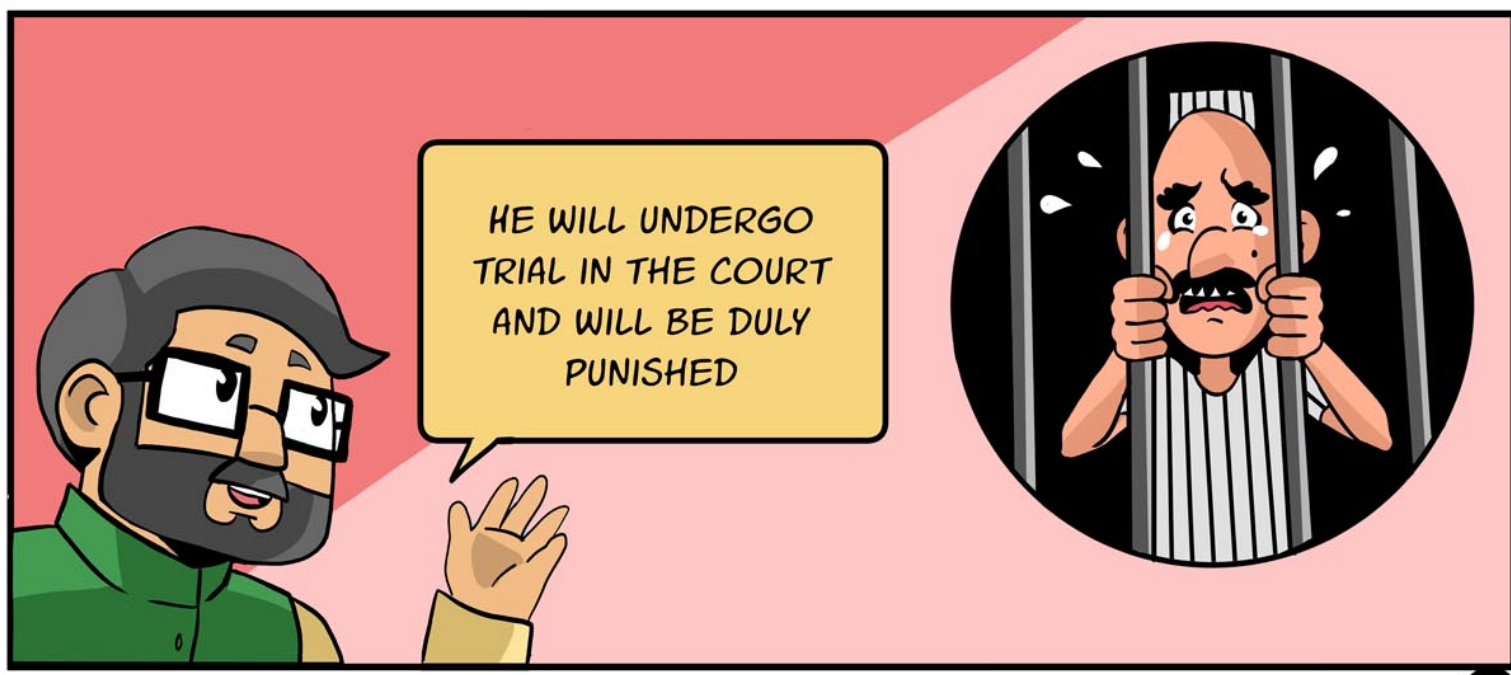
HOW CAN WE HELP MUSKAAN?

THAT'S A VERY GOOD QUESTION. YOU CAN HELP HER BY NOT ASKING TOO MANY QUESTIONS. GIVE HER TIME TO HEAL AND RETURN TO HOW SHE WAS EARLIER

IF SHE WANTS TO TALK TO YOU, LISTEN TO HER PATIENTLY. IN SUCH A SITUATION, FRIENDS' SUPPORT IS VERY IMPORTANT

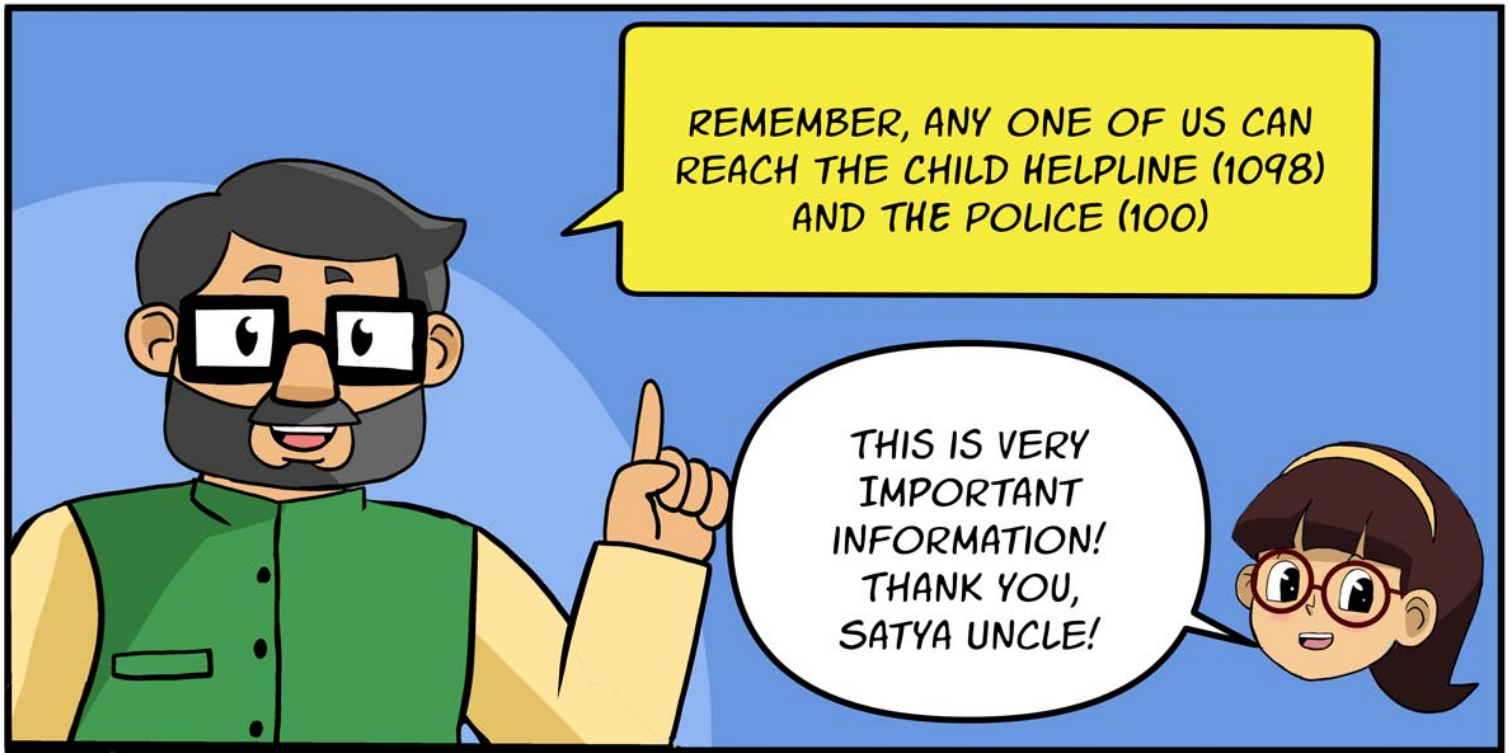


AND WHAT WILL HAPPEN TO BABU?



HE WILL UNDERGO TRIAL IN THE COURT AND WILL BE DULY PUNISHED







A FEW MONTHS LATER, MUSKAAN IS BACK TO HER USUAL HAPPY SELF!







## WHAT IS CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE?

CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE IS A GROSS VIOLATION OF RIGHTS OF CHILDREN. IT HAPPENS WHEN AN ADULT TRIES TO OR MAKES YOU UNCOMFORTABLE THROUGH ANY OF THE FOLLOWING ACTS

- TOUCHING YOUR PRIVATE PARTS
- ASKING YOU TO TOUCH THEIR PRIVATE PARTS
- SHOWING PHOTOGRAPHS OR VIDEOS THAT MAKE YOU FEEL UNEASY
- ASKING YOU TO SEND YOUR PHOTOS OR VIDEOS ONLINE
- BLACKMAILING YOU THROUGH PHONE CALLS, TEXT MESSAGES, EMAILS ETC.
- FOLLOWING/STALKING YOU THAT MAKES YOU UNCOMFORTABLE AND SCARED

IT CAN HAPPEN IN HOMES, INSTITUTIONS, SCHOOLS, TUITIONS, WORKPLACES, IN TRAVEL AND TOURISM FACILITIES, ONLINE, WITHIN COMMUNITIES, AND AT ANY OTHER PLACE. IT CAN HAPPEN WITH GIRLS AND BOYS. IT CAN BE DONE BY MALE OR FEMALE ADULT.



## HOW TO IDENTIFY IF YOUR FRIEND HAS BEEN FACING THESE PROBLEMS?

- LOOKING ANXIOUS, NERVOUS, UPSET, OR ANGRY
- WITHDRAWAL OR DISCONNECT FROM FAMILY MEMBERS, FRIENDS, AND SOCIAL LIFE
- AVOIDING SCHOOL OR SOCIAL GATHERINGS
- POOR PERFORMANCE AT SCHOOL
- LOSING APPETITE OR CHANGES IN EATING HABITS, SKIPPING LUNCH
- SLEEP PROBLEMS, NIGHTMARES, BEDWETTING
- MOOD SWINGS, DEPRESSION, SHORTNESS OF BREATH
- FEAR OF USING COMPUTER OR CELLPHONE
- BEING NERVOUS WHEN GETTING AN INSTANT MESSAGE, TEXT, OR EMAIL

IF YOUR FRIEND IS SHOWING SOME OF THE SIGNS MENTIONED ABOVE, THEN TRY TO HAVE AN OPEN CONVERSATION WITH YOUR FRIEND ABOUT IT. IF YOUR FRIEND TELLS YOU THAT HE/SHE HAS BEEN SEXUALLY ABUSED, HELP YOUR FRIEND AND TELL A TRUSTED ADULT ABOUT IT.



## WHICH LAWS DEAL WITH CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE IN INDIA?

- PROTECTION OF CHILDREN FROM SEXUAL OFFENCES ACT, 2012 (POCSO)
- JUVENILE JUSTICE (CARE AND PROTECTION) ACT, 2015



## WHERE TO FILE A COMPLAINT REGARDING CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE?

IF YOU EVER FEEL THAT YOU OR ANY OF YOUR FRIEND ARE BEING ABUSED, THEN YOU CAN ALSO REPORT AT THE FOLLOWING PLACES

- POLICE STATION (CALL AT 100)
- CHILD LINE (CALL AT 1098)
- BACHPAN BACHAO ANDOLAN'S COMPLAINT CELL (CALL AT 1800-102-7222)
- CYBER-CRIME PORTAL ([HTTPS://CYBERCRIME.GOV.IN](https://cybercrime.gov.in))
- POCSO E-BOX (CALL AT 1800115455 OR GO TO [HTTPS://NCPCR.GOV.IN/](https://ncpcr.gov.in/))

# LETTER FROM DABUNG GIRL

HELLO FRIENDS... KAVOOM!!!

I SHARED AN IMPORTANT INCIDENT IN THIS EDITION. IN THE PAST, SUCH INCIDENTS HAVE OCCURRED WITH BOTH GIRLS AND BOYS. AS A CHILD YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO LIVE A FREE, SAFE AND HEALTHY LIFE!

THEREFORE, NOBODY CAN-

1. GET YOU MARRIED
2. SEXUALLY ABUSE YOU
3. EMPLOY YOU
4. HURT YOU OR HARM YOU IN ANY WAY

IF YOU, OR ANY CHILD YOU KNOW IS AT RISK OF ANY OF THE ABOVE, OR ARE BEING PROMISED ANY OF THE ABOVE BY ANYONE- YOU CAN GET HELP NOW!! CALL AT THE NUMBERS BELOW!!

- THE POLICE ON 100
- CHILDLINE ON 1098
- BACHPAN BACHAO ANDOLAN ON 1800-102-7222

IF YOU HAVE FACED SUCH AN INCIDENT, APART FROM REPORTING, YOU NEED TO REMIND YOURSELF IT IS NOT YOUR FAULT AND YOU ARE AWESOME!

AND IF SOMEONE YOU KNOW HAS FACED SUCH AN INCIDENT, APART FROM REPORTING, YOU NEED TO GIVE THEM TIME TO HEAL, BE WITH THEM AND NOT BE TOO INTRUSIVE.

IF ALL OF US WORK TOGETHER, NO CHILD WILL EVER AGAIN HAVE TO FACE SUCH AN INCIDENT.

LOVE AND HUGS,  
DABUNG GIRL



# COLOUR ME

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



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envisions a world where all children are free, safe, healthy, receive quality education, and have the opportunity to realise their potential.

### BAL MITRA GRAM

A flagship programme to prevent all kinds of exploitation of children, and ensuring their education and empowerment in rural communities. The guiding principles of BMG programme include ensuring that all child labourers are withdrawn from work, all children are enrolled in and attend school, children participate in democratic decision making through formation of Bal Panchayats (elected children's council) and ensuring that the Bal Panchayats are recognised by the village council.

### BAL MITRA MANDAL

A sustainable and holistic intervention for child protection and development in urban slum communities so that every child is safe, free and educated. BMM is a preventive intervention.

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Campaign to combat violation of child rights with special focus on child trafficking and child labour by creating awareness among the citizens on these issues. The Mukti Caravan moves across the country, spreading awareness about the organised crime of child trafficking and other forms of exploitation of children through interactions, Nukkad Nataks, wall writings, pamphlet distribution and screening of audio visual material.





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