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RAMAYAN 3392 A.D. is a re-imagining of one of the greatest myths ever told – the Indian epic **RAMAYANA**. As is the original, created over 5,000 years ago, ours is a story of mystery, magic, intrigue, adventure, heroism, courage, betrayal, fall-from-grace, and redemption. It embodies the eternal themes common to all great mythologies – the juxtaposition and inevitable balance between the sacred and the profane, the divine and diabolical, the saint and sinner; the redemptive power of unconditional love; the corruptive force of forbidden lust; triumph in the face of tragedy; life instinct and death instinct.

This new tale, inspired by the original Ramayan, is not meant to replace the original but instead to showcase just how timeless it is, how even today its themes continue to give meaning to life, create a cultural mindset, forge an idealist vision to which to aspire, serve as a bridge from what is to what could be, allay collective anxieties, and fuel collective desires and a collective imagination.

Ours is not a re-telling of Ramayan but a symbolic representation of similar mythical symbols that are meant to be understood in the contextual framework of a cross-cultural post-modern, multi-ethnic, global society. From time to time, new mythologies spark the imagination of the collective consciousness and lay the ground for the telling of a story that has such impact that it influences the behavior, the values, and the codes of morality of an entire civilization. We hope that **RAMAYAN 3392 A.D.** will ignite a new interest in mythology and nurture the deepest longings and aspirations for achievement, adventure and the desire to accomplish grand and wondrous things. For it is time.

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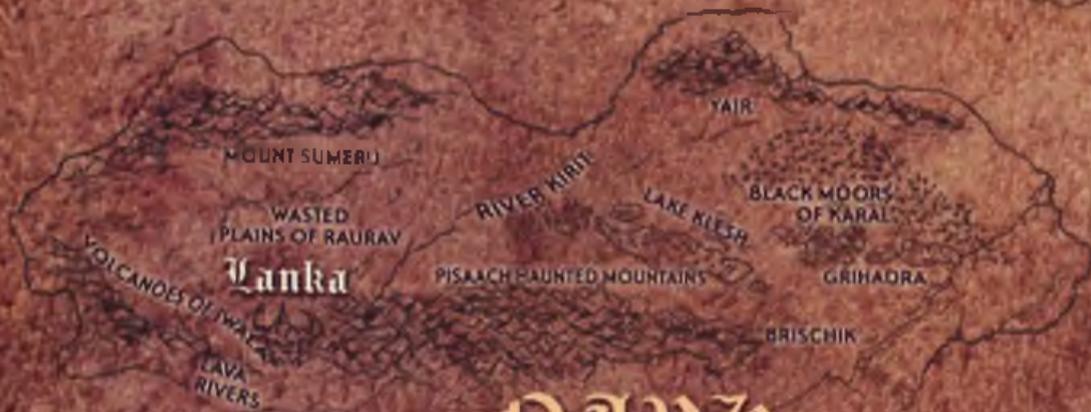
Aryavarta continent



Ocean of Oblivion

Green Deep

Black Divide



NARZ



My name is Vishwamitra and I will be your guide for now. In the course of this tale, you will come to know me. But first come to know this land.

As we sail upstream on the river of time, we will come to the shores of distant lands. Far ahead in the mists of our future we will arrive in a world, surviving holocaust, an apocalyptic war that once destroyed the atmosphere and ecology. Still, life has found its way and evolution has taken another turn.

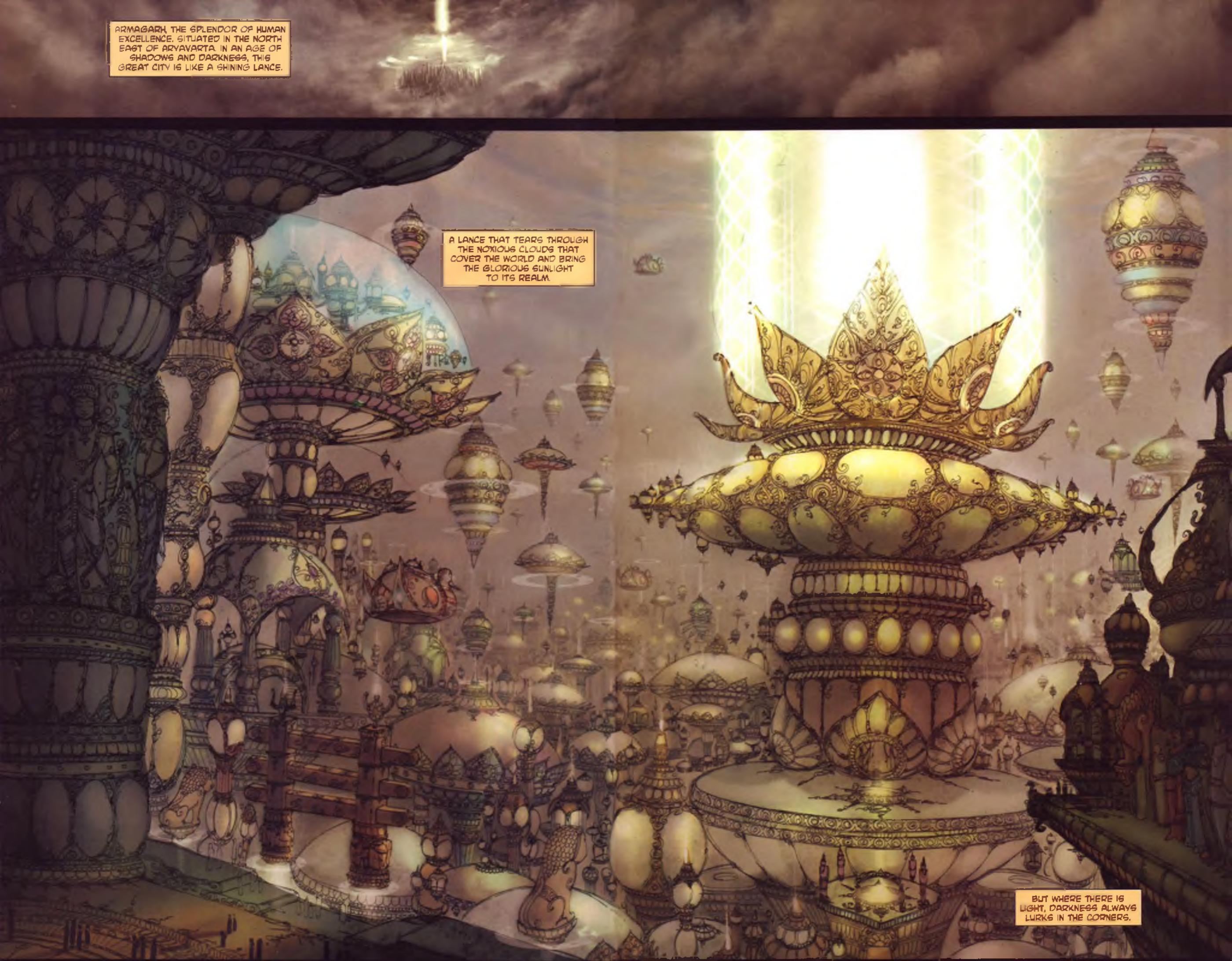
Various creatures, anthropomorphic beings, and intelligent life forms thriving and marching ahead the path of evolution populate this new world. Geography has changed the planet's complexion, a singular land forging two separate continents: Aryavarta and Nark. The greater continent Aryavarta is populated by various intelligent anthropomorphic races like the ape-men 'Vanaras,' the bird-men 'Garudas,' bear-men 'Bhalus,' the bovine people 'Brishavs,' and finally the very last remains of the human race. The humans of this age are far evolved, and they hold their last bastion in the land of Armagarh, situated in the North east of Aryavarta. Armagarh boasts a superior technology and lifestyle since it is the only land blessed by the light of sun, enabled by a futuristic marvel, a reactor 'Shakti Kundali' that emits an energy beam that cuts through the noxious cloud cover that enwraps the planet. In these war torn times, Armagarh breeds its own protectors, the finest of warriors, the Kshatriyas, matchless in martial supremacy and unparalleled in courage.

To their extreme south, the polar opposite in every sense, is Nark, a dark continent filled with myriad savage races called Asuras. Ravan, a monstrous and enigmatic being, spawn of the Apocalypse, rules the whole continent. The ambition of this Dark Lord now threatens Aryavarta too, as his Asura legions march forth spreading his virulent conquest. Ravan desires to bring the whole world into his iron grip, but the free willed races of Aryavarta are not going to give up without the most bitter of fights. Still, Ravan's influence grows, as nothing can bring all the races of Aryavarta together. Until...

ARMAGARH, THE SPLENDOR OF HUMAN EXCELLENCE, SITUATED IN THE NORTH EAST OF ARYAVARTA. IN AN AGE OF SHADOWS AND DARKNESS, THIS GREAT CITY IS LIKE A SHINING LANCE.

A LANCE THAT TEARS THROUGH THE NOXIOUS CLOUDS THAT COVER THE WORLD AND BRING THE GLORIOUS SUNLIGHT TO ITS REALM.

BUT WHERE THERE IS LIGHT, DARKNESS ALWAYS LURKS IN THE CORNERS.





THREE WEEKS AGO WE LOST OUR OUTPOST IN THE VALLEY OF SAYAN-CHAR. THE ASURA CONQUEST IS GROWING MORE AMBITIOUS BY THE DAY. OUR ARMIES WERE WIPED OUT COMPLETELY.

"WE WILL BE SENDING ANOTHER AKSHAUHINI", LED BY SOME OF OUR FINEST KSHATRIYA WARRIORS, TO RECLAIM THE TERRITORY. SAYAN CHAR IS NOT TO BE COMPROMISED.



"A GROUP OF ARMAGARHIAN SCOUTS REPORTED A MASSIVE CONGREGATION OF ASURAS IN THE SOUTH OF THE CHITRAKUT RANGES. THIS IS FOOTAGE TRANSMITTED BY THE TEAM BEFORE THEY WERE DISCOVERED.

"WE BELIEVE IT IS LORD RAVAN HIMSELF. THIS IS ALARMING. WE MUST STRENGTHEN OUR OUTPOSTS."



WHAT SAY YOU, MAHARAJ DASHRATH?



I SUGGEST WE CONTACT THE OTHER KINGDOMS OF ARYAVARTA. THE ASURA MENACE THREATENS TO DEVASTATE OUR TRADE ROUTES AND MINES. IT WON'T BE LONG BEFORE THEY'RE RIGHT OUTSIDE THESE WALLS.

WE CANNOT FIGHT THEM ALONE.



WHAT?! I STRONGLY PROTEST AGAINST THIS. WE MUST MAINTAIN OUR RACIAL SUPREMACY. WE CANNOT BEG FOR ASSISTANCE FROM HALF BEAST CREATURES.

I DISAGREE, AND I THINK THE MAJORITY OF COUNCILORS AND SUB-COUNCILORS WILL AGREE.



WITH ALL DUE RESPECT, COUNCILOR KAIKEYI, I DISAGREE. NOT EVEN A YEAR AGO, KING BAALI OF KISHKINDA THE APE KINGDOM OF THE SOUTH, DEFEATED A WHOLE ARMADA OF ASURA INVADERS. IT IS RUMORED THAT THEY TOO WERE LED BY LORD RAVAN HIMSELF.

NOW CONSIDER SUCH A POWERFUL NATION UNITED WITH ARMAGARH...



"THE SOUTHERN OUTPOST, KHUNDGIRI IS STILL UNDER ATTACK, BUT WITH A FRESH REINFORCEMENT OF TWO AKSHAHINIS, THEY ARE HOLDING OFF WELL. OUR PORTS ALONG THE BANK OF SARAYU ARE SECURE."

"A LARGE UNIT OF ARMAHADIAN TROOPS."



I HOPE THE COUNCIL WILL AGREE WITH ME. IT'S TIME TO DEPLOY YOUNG KSHATRIYAS TO THE COLONIES. THEY ARE, AFTER ALL, OUR BEST WARRIORS.



ENOUGH WE SHALL DECIDE LATER IF WE NEED TO ALLY OUR FORCES WITH THE OTHER RACES OF ARYAVARTA. MEANWHILE FRESH BATCHES OF KSHATRIYA WARRIORS WILL BE SENT TO THE TROUBLED SETTLEMENTS TOMORROW.

AND IN THIS NEW BATCH I WILL INCLUDE MY FOUR SONS...



DO YOU THINK YOU ARE UP TO IT, BLUE BOY? ONE WRONG MOVE AND IT'S A LONG WAY DOWN TO THE SHAKTI-KUNDALINI!

NOT EVEN YOUR ASHES WILL REMAIN.

"...BHARAT..."



'HIGH RISK TRAINING SESSION' MY FOOT--I SHOULD NEVER HAVE LET MY BROTHERS TALK ME INTO THIS!

SHOULDN'T LOOK DOWN... WON'T LOOK DOWN... D... DON'T LOOK DOWN!

"...SHATRUGHAN..."



UP AND READY BROTHERS...

"...LAKSHMAN..."

THE REACTOR WHICH PROCESSES THE ENERGY THAT CUTS THROUGH THE NOXIOUS CLOUDS AND BRINGS SUNLIGHT TO ARMAGARH.



ONCE AGAIN, FOR THE RECORD LET ME SAY THAT THIS IS A BAD IDEA--ESPECIALLY FOR YOU, LITTLE BROTHERS...

"... AND RAMA."

BUT I'M
HAPPY TO TEACH
YOU ANOTHER
LESSON...



"IT'S TIME THEY SHOULD TAKE UP THEIR RESPONSIBILITIES."

NOW!



WITH YOU, BROTHER, ONE ALWAYS HAS TO WATCH HIS BACK!



EVERY MAN FIGHTS FOR HIS OWN, RAMA...



... THAT'S THE WAY OF KSHATRIYA.



H... HEY!



SHATRU... LOOK OUT!



OI MAA*!

*MOMMA



OVERWEIGHT
BOZO... HA HA
HA...

H...
HAAAALP...
BY GOD!



HAH!
QUIT WHINING AND
GET UP BY YOURSELF,
IDIOT, I CAN'T BELIEVE
FATHER NAMED YOU
'SHATRUGHAN'--SLAYER
OF ENEMIES!



AAIIIIII...!



MAAAA...!



HANG ON, TUBBY!



YOU SHOULD NOT HAVE GOT INTO THIS MADNESS... YOU'RE AFRAID OF HEIGHTS FOR HEAVEN'S SAKE!

I... I WAS AFRAID OF LOSING HONOR...

SHATRUGHAN, STUPIDITY DOES NOT EQUAL BRAVERY.



GAME OVER, BHAF

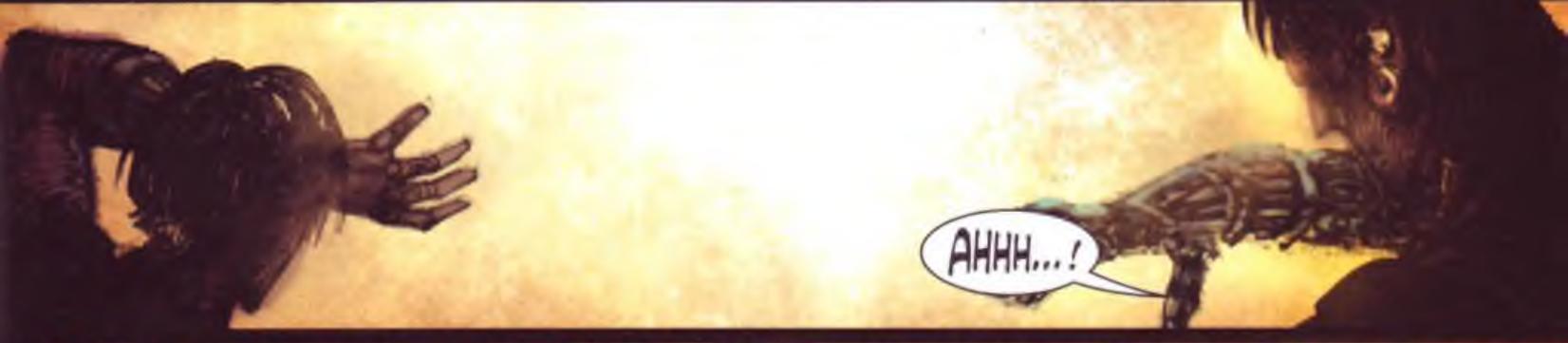
NOW EACH OF YOU OWE US FIVE HUNDRED MUDRAS*

*BROTHER.
*ARMAGARHIAN CURRENCY.



WELL, IT'S JUST YOU AND ME, LAKSHMAN

I ALWAYS KNEW IT WOULD COME DOWN TO US. THE BLUE BOY CAN'T HACK IT.



AHHH...!



ATTENTION!
YOU ARE TRESSPASSING...

THE PENALTY CAN AMOUNT TO BANISHMENT OR IMPRISONMENT...



WAIT, THIS WAS MY IDEA. I AM RESPONSIBLE FOR THE SECURITY BREACH AND ACCESS TO THE OORJA SHAFT.



I'LL FACE THE CONSEQUENCES



WRONG TIME TO GO BIG BROTHER ON US RAMA! IN FACT, IT WAS MY IDEA TO BEGIN WITH.



ARREST ME.



THAT WON'T BE NECESSARY FOR NOW. THE MAHARAJ SUMMONS ALL FOUR OF YOU... SEEMS ARMAGARH IS TO MISS YOUR ANTICS, FOR A WHILE ANYWAY.



THE RAJ MAHAL - ROYAL
ABODE OF CHIEF COUNCILOR
DASHRATH AND HIS FAMILY.



OUR FATHER,
THE MAHARAJ
DESIRES AN AUDIENCE
WITH US? HMMPPH... WHEN
WAS THE LAST TIME HE
DESIRED TO SEE
OUR FACES?

LEAVE HIM
BE, LAKSHMAN.
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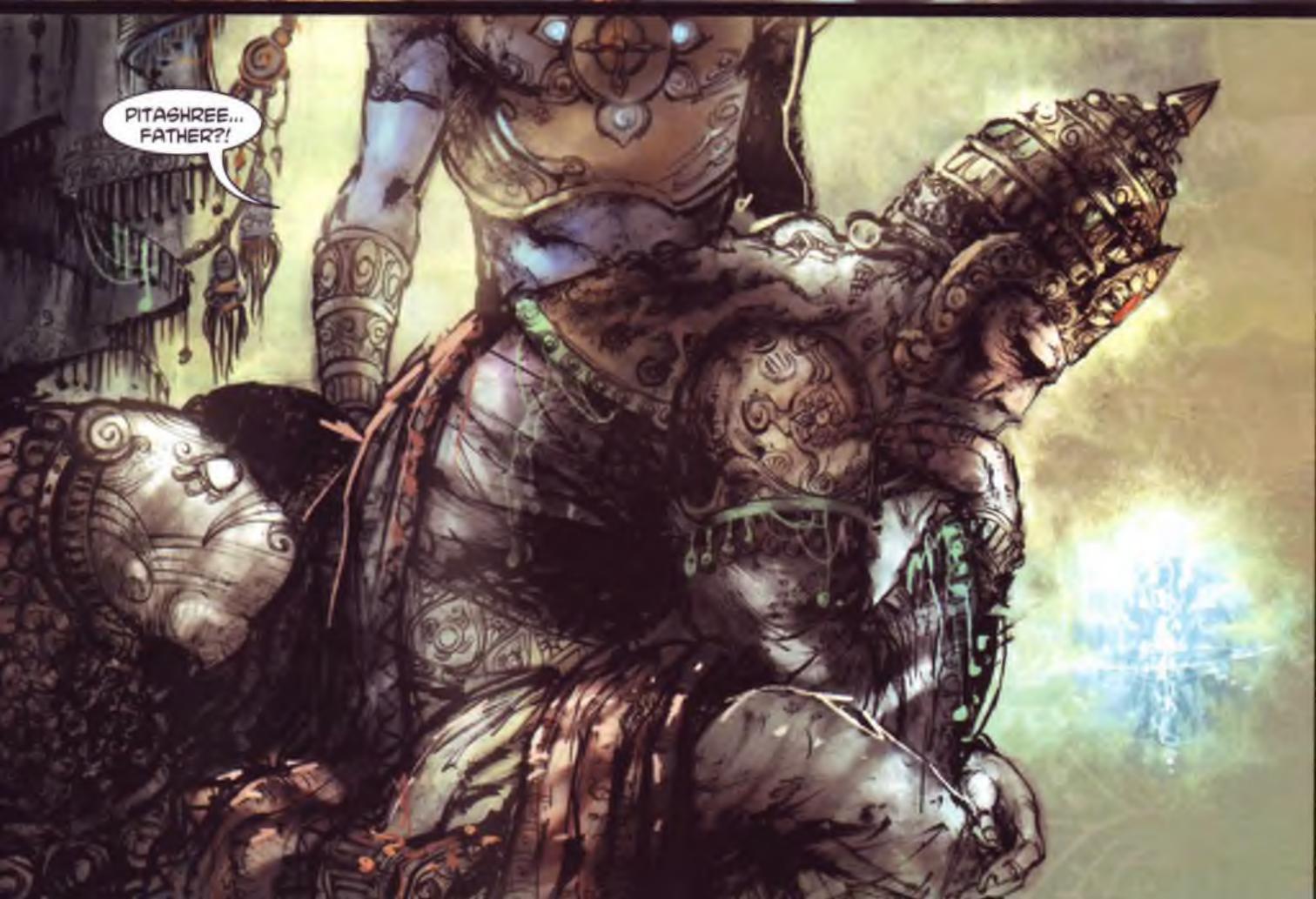
PERHAPS
WAR IS AFOOT!
ONE CAN
PRAY.

I JUST HOPE
THAT DAMNED
ARTHRITIS IS NOT
BOTHERING HIM.
HE'S GETTING
OLD.



PRANAAM PITASHREE*, I ASKED
THE GUARDS NOT TO ANNOUNCE
OUR ARRIVAL. WE WANTED
TO CATCH YOU BY *SURPRISE*.

*RESPECTFUL GREETINGS, FATHER.



PITASHREE...
FATHER??!



UH... HUH!!



PARDON YOUR OLD FATHER, BOYS. MY EYES WENT HEAVY AS I AWAITED YOUR ARRIVAL.

THE VAIDYA* HAS REPEATEDLY ADVISED YOU NOT TO SLEEP IN YOUR CHAIR. IT'S BAD FOR YOUR BACK.

NONSENSE, I CANNOT LEAD ARMAGARH LYING IN BED.

*PHYSICIAN



SINCE WE ALL HAVE OTHER MATTERS TO ATTEND TO, MIGHT WE KEEP THIS FAMILY REUNION SHORT?

LAKSHMAN... SHOW A LITTLE RESPECT!

IT'S ALRIGHT RAMA, I UNDERSTAND YOUR BROTHER'S RESENTMENT. I'VE NEVER BEEN MUCH OF A FATHER. I COULDN'T BE. I'D LIKE TO MAKE THAT UP, BUT NOT NOW. HE'S RIGHT, THIS IS NOT MEANT TO BE A REUNION.



AS THE ASURA ASSAULTS GROW, A NEW BATCH OF KSHATRIYA WARRIORS SHALL BE DEPLOYED IN THE VARIOUS OUTPOSTS OF ARMAGARH. BEING THE SONS OF THE CHIEF COUNCILOR, YOU WILL BE GIVEN THE RESPONSIBILITY TO GOVERN TWO ESTABLISHMENTS AS SELECTED BY THE COUNCIL.



FINALLY... IT'S TIME FOR MY VAJRA* TO TASTE ASURA BLOOD.

WHICH OUTPOST?

*BHARAT'S AXE.



HERE LIES *KHUNDGIRI*,
OUR FORT IN THE SOUTH OF RIVER
SARAYU OVERLOOKING THE ISHPAAT* MINES
AND PROTECTING THE PORT THAT CONTROLS OUR
TRADE ROUTES. *BHARAT*, FROM NOW ON YOU ARE THIS
COLONY'S GOVERNOR AND WILL REPEL THE ASURA
FORCES IF THEY TRY TO INVADE US.
SHATRUGHAN WILL JOIN YOU
AS YOUR AIDE.

GREAT.
SHATRU CAN
OVERSEE THE MINES
AND PORTS. I WILL
GLADLY RID THE LAND
OF ASURAS.

BUT WHAT IF
THE ASURAS ATTACK
THE MINES OR THE
DOCKS INSTEAD OF
THE FORT?

TUBBY, YOU
SHOULD BE SO
LUCKY!

STEEL



YOU CAN
REFLECT UPON YOUR
RESPECTIVE DUTIES DURING
THE COURSE OF YOUR TRAVEL.
AS FOR YOU, *RAMA* AND
LAKSHMAN, PREPARE TO
TAKE CONTROL OVER
FORT JANASTHAN.



OH MAHARAJ,
DON'T DENY THAT YOU
INFLUENCED THE COUNCIL.
RAMA AND *LAKSHMAN* ARE
TO SECURE THE SLEEPY
OUTPOST OF *JANASTHAN* WHILE
MY SONS ARE THROWN
INTO THE PERILS OF
KHUNDGIRI!



JANASTHAN? IT'S A VILLAGE
FILLED WITH JUSTICES. WHAT WOULD
YOU EXPECT US TO DO THERE?
ORGANIZE AGRICULTURE?
COLLECT TIMBER?



QUIET *LAKSHMAN*.
IF THE COUNCIL DEEMS
IT, IT'S OUR DUTY
TO DO IT.



WE'RE NOT *SOCIAL WORKERS*.
WE'RE *WARRIORS* AND I
DEMAND COMBAT. SEND US
TO RECLAIM *SAYAN-CHAR*,
OR AT LEAST LET US TAKE
CONTROL OVER FORT
YAMANAKSH...



THE COUNCIL
IS DECIDED UPON
THIS MY SON. I CAN
DO NOTHING
ABOUT IT.

M... MOTHER!



KAIKEYI, I HAVE ALWAYS TREATED MY BOYS EQUALLY IT WAS YOUR FRIENDS IN THE COUNCIL WHO ELECTED THE SITES WHERE THEY WOULD BE POSTED.

HOW SHAMELESSLY YOU HIDE THE TRUTH, MAHARAJ. WHY WON'T YOU ADMIT THAT YOU STILL CANNOT PART WITH THE MEMORIES OF YOUR DEAR DECEASED KAUSHALYA?

IT'S OKAY MAA, I CAN USE THE EXERCISE. IT'S FOR TUBBY THAT I AM CONCERNED.

DON'T CALL ME TUBBY!



PRANAAM MATASHREEE*, THOUGH WE WERE NOT BORN OF YOU, LAKSHMAN AND I HAVE ALWAYS HOPED YOU WOULD ACCEPT US LIKE A MOTHER...

BUT BHARAT AND SHATRUGHAN ARE OUR BROTHERS. WE WOULD GLADLY EXCHANGE PLACES WITH THEM IF THE COUNCIL DEEMED IT.

HHMM... ALREADY QUITE DEFT YOU ARE IN THE ART OF DIPLOMACY.

*RESPECTFUL GREETINGS, MOTHER.



RAMA...DON'T BEND DOWN TO THIS WOMAN. WE'VE STRUGGLED OUR WHOLE LIVES FOR HER ACCEPTANCE. NO MORE.

MAY THE GODS HELP ME.



DON'T TRY MY PATIENCE BOY!

LIKE I GIVE A DAMN. YOU BASE WOMAN! MY PATIENCE EBBS TOO!

HEY... THAT'S OUR MOTHER YOU'RE TALKING TO.



AFTER YOUR MOTHER KAUSHALYA PASSED AWAY, THE WORLD HAS GOTTEN BLEAKER FOR ME EVERY DAY. I LOVE YOU MORE THAN ANYTHING RAMA...PLEASE FORGIVE ME.

RAMA...YOU ALWAYS DESERVED MUCH MORE, MUCH BETTER.

FATHER, PLEASE REST FOR A WHILE.



GET AWAY FROM THIS MIRE OR IT MAY THREATEN TO CONSUME YOU LIKE IT DID ME. THE THREAT OF RAVAN IS MORE PROFOUND THAN ANY OF US CAN EVEN CONTEMPLATE, I AM AFRAID. HIS MALICE SPREADS IN OUR OWN LAND.

ENOUGH! I WON'T TOLERATE ANYMORE OF THIS IN MY QUARTERS. THE DECISION HAS BEEN MADE AND MY SONS WILL FULFILL THEIR RESPECTIVE DUTIES.

ALL OF YOU ARE DISMISSED! GIVE ME SOME SILENCE!



UMM... BHARAT,
YOU SAID THAT I COULD
HAVE THE DOUBLE
BLADED LANCE.

YOU HAVE SOME
NERVE ASKING ME FOR
ANYTHING AFTER THE WAY
YOU TREATED MY
MOTHER.



HEY, I DIDN'T
START IT!

EASY... EASY... I'M KIDDING
YOU. NO ONE KNOWS BETTER
THAN ME HOW DIFFICULT SHE CAN BE.
I SHOULD BE MAKING THE PEACE
OFFERING.



UHH...



COME ON
LAKSHMAN... YOU
IDIOT... GIVE HIM
A HUG.



TAKE CARE,
BROTHER.



BE SAFE, BOYS.
BELIEVE IT OR NOT,
WE'LL MISS YOU.



BY THE WAY, HAVE YOU EXAMINED THE CHARTS AND THE REPORTS PREPARED BY THE PREVIOUS GOVERNOR OF JANASTHAN?

NO.

THEY HAVEN'T PAID TAXES FOR THE LAST FIVE YEARS. ARMAGARH DOESN'T EVEN RECOGNIZE THEM AS THE CITIZENS OF OUR NATION. HAVE YOU SEEN THE PRODUCTION REPORTS OF THIS WRETCHED PLACE?



MAYBE.

RAMA, FOR TWO DECADES THEY'VE NOT UPGRADED THE FORT'S TECHNOLOGY. PLEBEIANS! WHY CAN'T THEY UNDERSTAND, LACK OF NECESSITY DOES NOT MEAN LACK OF INITIATIVE FOR PROGRESS?



GOOD TO MEET YOU PILOT JAYANT!

IT SHOULD BE A SMOOTH JOURNEY, LORDS.

I WOULD HOPE SO. YOUR REPUTATION PRECEDES YOU AS THE BEST IN THE FLEET. I INVESTED A FEW MUDRAS TO SECURE YOU AND A LITTLE MORE TO ENSURE BHARAT AND SHATRUGHAN EXPERIENCE A LITTLE 'TURBULENCE' ON THEIR RIDE.



CAN YOU BELIEVE THIS? THEIR PRIME FUEL IS WOOD?!

RAMA, ARE YOU EVEN LISTENING TO ME?

OCCASIONALLY...



YOU KNOW, RAMA...



...YOUR TALENT FOR ANNOYING PEOPLE IS AS UNIQUE AS YOUR COMPLEXION. DON'T PATRONIZE ME.

HA HA HA...DON'T WORRY LITTLE BROTHER, TWO YEARS OF CLOSE PROXIMITY IN JANASTHAN WILL MAKE YOU GET USED TO IT.



THE CHARIOT IS READY TO TAKE OFF LORDS.

THEN LET'S FLY JAYANT, CAN'T WAIT TO GET TO JANASTHAN. GOOD LUCK AND GODSPEED TO US.



MAY THE GODS BLESS MY SONS SUMANTRA...ESPECIALLY RAMA. HE IS SO DIFFERENT FROM THE OTHERS.

YOU MUST BE PROUD TO SIRE SUCH A GEM OF A BOY, MAHARAJ. I ENVY YOU FOR THAT.



YOU WON'T NEED THESE ANYMORE. THEY'LL RUIN YOUR FIRST IMPRESSION

I CAN'T BELIEVE FATHER APPOINTED YOU AS A GOVERNOR OF A WHOLE SETTLEMENT.



WELL, SOMETIMES I DON'T BELIEVE FATHER Sired YOU AT ALL--YOU NEVER SMILE



SO TELL ME LAKSH...WHAT ARE YOU EXPECTING IN JANASTHAN? IT SEEMS YOU ALREADY KNOW A LOT MORE ABOUT THE PLACE THAN I DO.

WELL MY IMMEDIATE CONCERN... RATHER, APPREHENSION IS THAT, SOON AS WE LAND WE WILL BE HOUNDED BY HORDES OF...

... HALF-NAKED CHILDREN.



"IF EVEN ONE OF THEM TOUCHES ME WITH THEIR FILTHY HANDS, I'LL LOSE IT FOR SURE."

SHOO... SHOO...
GET AWAY FROM ME! NO TOUCH!



"...THOUGH IT IS NAMED
'FORT' JANASTHAN, I DON'T
EXPECT TO SEE MUCH. IT'S
MORE APT TO BE CALLED
A TREE HOUSE THAN A FORT..."



"...THE FIRST ONSLAUGHT
OF VILLAGERS WILL BE
FOLLOWED BY A SECOND
VOLLEY I PRESUME..."



"... SOME SELF-IMPORTANT CHIEFTAIN AND HIS ENTIRE CLAN FORCING THEIR CRUDE WELCOMING RITUALS ON TWO UNSUSPECTING ARMAGARHIANS..."

"... I AM IN MORTAL FEAR THAT AT NIGHT WE WILL BE COMPELLED TO PARTICIPATE IN THEIR HEATHEN FESTIVITIES..."

LACHHMAN-JI"... HAVE SOME BHAANG FOR A CHANGE, ITS MADE OF COW MEAD.

*RESPECTFUL TITLE

"... WHICH SHOULD INCLUDE DRINKING AS WELL. YOU'LL NOTICE WE HAVE NOT STOCKPILED ANY SURA* AND THE RUSTIES WILL DEFINITELY FORCE US TO CONSUME THEIR COUNTRY LIQUOR..."

UGH... THE NAME IS LAKSHMAN, NOT LACHHMAN. THANKS, BUT NO THANKS FOR YOUR OFFER. I DON'T DRINK BHAANG*.

JUST A SIP LACHHMAN-JI, IT MIGHT CHANGE YOUR MOOD.

*ARMAGARHIAN VINTAGE LIQUOR.

"... I'M AFRAID I'LL HAVE TO STAY DRY FOR THE NEXT TWO YEARS..."

"HEAVEN KNOWS WHAT VILE CONCOCTION THEY MAKE IN THE NAME OF LIQUOR, WHAT PUTRID INGREDIENTS THEY MAY USE.

MMMM...NOT BAD ACTUALLY!

NOT BAD AT ALL...!

EARLY NEXT MORNING.



BOY--GO GET ME SOME MEDICINES. YOUR LOT MUST HAVE SOME POTION THAT WOULD REMEDY SUCH A HEADACHE



UM... LORD, THE WOODSMEN WHO WENT TO GATHER TIMBER LAST EVENING HAVE NOT RETURNED YET.

BAH! WHO CARES? THE LOUITS PROBABLY GOT DRUNK AND LIE SENSELESS SOMEWHERE IN THE WOODS WHILE THEIR WIVES AND CHILDREN WORRY THEMSELVES TO DEATH.

AND DON'T FOOL YOURSELF. YOUR KIND ARE NOT KNOWN FOR YOUR INSTINCTS. KNOW YOUR PLACE. GET ME MY MEDICINE.



I'M SORRY, LORD. I'LL GET SOMETHING FOR YOUR HEADACHE RIGHT AWAY.

I WOULD BEG TO DIFFER MY LORD... W...WHAT'S THAT?!



MY LORD- LOOK, IN THE DISTANCE--



BAAP RE!

*BY MY FATHER!



RING THE ALARM... LOCK THE GATES... CALL RAMA!

WE ARE UNDER ATTACK!



CHEAP COUNTRY LIQUOR.



HOW MANY
ARE THERE?

AT LEAST THREE
THOUSAND STRONG,
MY LORD. THEY SEEM TO
HAVE APPEARED OUT
OF NOWHERE!



LOOKS LIKE THEY
HAVE ALSO BROUGHT
THE WOODSMEN
WITH THEM.



BEEN
WAITING FOR
THIS. ARE
YOU READY
RAMA?



"DO WE HAVE
ANY CHOICE?"



JANASTHANIS...
MY BROTHERS AND
SISTERS...



FOR THE LAST FIFTY YEARS YOU
HAVE FLOURISHED IN THIS LAND. YOU
HAVE MADE THIS PLACE SOMETHING MORE
THAN JUST A REMOTE SETTLEMENT OF
ARMAGARH. YOU HAVE MADE IT
HOME AND FILLED IT WITH
LIFE AND LOVE.

THE ASURAS ARE
HERE TO STRANGLE YOUR
LOVE AND SNATCH AWAY YOUR
LIFE. THEY WON'T BE CONTENT BY
TAKING AWAY YOUR LAND, YOUR
BELONGINGS, YOUR TREASURES...
THE ONLY THING THAT CAN SATISFY
THEIR LUST FOR VIOLENCE,
IS OUR LIVES.

TODAY WE
DEFEND OUR FORT,
OUR HOMES, AND
OUR FAMILIES.

TODAY,
WE FIGHT...



...FOR OUR RIGHT
TO SURVIVE!

Jai Ramal
Jai Ramal
Jai Ramal

AAKRAMANNN!



***ATTACK**

TO BE CONTINUED.



METAL DAVE

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