

## Love unrequited

*Nabaneepa Chaudhuri*

*B.Tech. (Electrical)*

*14 Park Lane, East End Park, Kolkata-700099, INDIA*

Horizon seemed much like an oil on the canvas ... The sun had already gone to slumber leaving behind tinges of orange patches that slowly getting mixed with the soothing darkness of night... and they two squatting by the side of the Ganges with their hand clasped together and their vision fixed on the clear translucent and sacred water of Ganges..... Tears were just on the verge of attaining freedom from the fortress of her eyes but she controlled herself.

Tinni got up still feeling dizzy and groggy switched on the light. Somehow she got hold of her study table. She was sitting idly cracking her knuckles gaping indolently at the books..... even though nothing was making a sense. She was thinking hard whether she would be able to recuperate from this or not. She was frantically haunting for the answer that whether she would be able to accept the truth that he was not for her that God had made him for some other girl .... but all in vein. Her mind was too much messed up.

“Oh God, just two more weeks, and after this I will be sitting for this Goddamn sem and still in having no idea regarding measurement & circuit theory paper... Oh God please help me out... I don't know exactly what am I supposed to do now... please .... I'm helpless ... God please...” Tinni praying her heart out. “Tinni-- supper is ready” mom called out. “Yes, mom coming, just five minutes....” Tinni went to bathroom just to wash her face. “these few days what the hell happened to you. I don't know... mom told emphatically... Why ? What's wrong !! Dad inquired looking at Tinni, “O ... no ... nothing dad. You know mom” Tinni responded with obvious nudging of her shoulder. “But listen, Tinni, if I won't find AA in your SGPA.... see how far can I go” Mom told didactically. Tinni was rather pondering than eating when his dad broke the silence. “Oh... Tinni hurry up....How long will you sit with this...., Don't waste time in this way...” Tinni finished up with her dinner and went upstairs to her room. Still her mind battled up with the same thought, then why didn't he tell me anything... that he had found a new girl friend ... what's point of lying that to me... that ... I am free.... in searching hardly. “ Tinni C'mon its 8:30 two weeks left for your sem's to start and you are sleeping... I don't know what will you do this time” Mom told vehemently. “Oh C'mon mom I know this better than you, just give me ten more minutes...trust me, I had studied the entire morning for 6 hours at a stretch, just took a break of lunch and shower...” . She lied with sky high confidence she gussed, why 10 mins even if she could get 10 hrs, then also she wont be able to find a way out of this, because she loves him year, she loves him irrevocably incorrigibly unconditionally, Tinni guessed in running short of the adjectives that would describe her love for him and it's too pathetic for her to see a guy whom she loves more than her life was with another girl.. Just two days and these two days had turned her life a hell out.... Even if

that day she had not checked her facebook account upon his relationship status then today she guessed she won't be in this situation. Moreover, she would go on dreaming for a day when he would come up to her and would say “ I am waiting for an opportunity and as it has come so I feel it will be better to convey you this...see I know, I am your teacher and you are my student, and inspite of this obvious behaviour I am forced to tell you something... See as on being very frank I have not met such a gregarious ingenuous girl like you before... Your careful friendliness, the way you kept on blastering your bashful smile .... all these kept on alluring me.... Even when I am on my way back to home after teaching you I could feel the urge that when the next Saturday will come. So that I can see you again... So I groan in suffering from a disease or more precisely the disease of love, that divine and sacred feeling which I had ever gone through in my 24 year life..” The moment he uttered those words, Tinni felt tears rolling down her face, tears of joy...Tinni was waiting for this moment to arrive... and as it had come she felt so happy that she was not able to move her lips but to imagine a picture for a girlfriend.... life around me is too much monotonous and all those staffs... Tinni rumbering to herself suddenly her cell phone go flashed with a new message from ... She opened the message...

Hey whats up ...u okay na ? Have u stopped thinking about that dull guy or still you are sobbing for that bloody aisle “ She didn't reply. After 10 mins another new message saying ....” See buddy try to be practical, don't be such a kid. Loosing one guy does not mean that your life has been messed up and that you won't find anybody in future....again ... just don't let your tears roll down for some guy who didn't love you at all....Tinni has just wiped of her tears and was thinking no she won't believe resolutely that he didn't love her.... then what was the use of sending those smses sending her a request in orkut... if they were just a teacher and a student ... she just closed her eyes...

### **13th July, 2008:**

It was a bright sunny morning... Tinni woke up “ Hey it is saturday, so he will be coming “..Tinni joyfully exclaimed. A feeling of deja-vu seemed to engulf her...It was 10'o clock.. Her mon and dad were already out for office.. She kept on waiting when suddenly the door bell rang... she rushed to the door in a huff and opened it...he was there standing. A polite body complementing his funky T-shirt saying “if only you know”. He was looking so cool today with this shirt and blue jeans... “Hey Rajdeepda just wait for 5 mins. I am not finding my Calculator since today morning..” Tinni returned to her room... when Tinni could hear somebody whispering to her ear...”Tinni do something go and brush up your hair...” She rushed to the mirror.. brushed up her hair.. she was wearing a short skirt and a top. She had just tugged out her shirt... it's perfect... Tinni just go and don't forget to take that Calculator Tinni-“Hi, I am back..”

Rajdeepda: Finally its 10:30 almost to find out calculator you have found it out or...

Tinni: Yes, here it is... oops I am so sorry.

Rajdeepda: So today will gonna study stats rate ... ?

Tinni: Yup...

Rajdeepda started pouring his lecture on mean, median and mode.... How to find mean . Now asked Tinni to solve out or miscelleneus when he was busy in taking tea and snacks.

Rajdeepda: You know, will be going to spend this puja holidays to Kashmir ..

Tinni: Woh !! great !! I too planning to go to Arunachal. Rajdeepda offering Tinni a biscuit.

Tinni: No thanks.. C'mon don't like this britannia... So pathetic in taste.

Tinni: Where are those movies ??

Rajdeepda: Why didn't you send me sms ??

Tinni: Oh..I am not having any message balance left.

Rajdeepda: Oh really !! Listen if you don't send me sms next friday.. will also don't bring you those movies.

Tinni: Hey.. will text you sure next friday.

Tinni: Hey you know yesterday what happened ?

Rajdeepda: What ?

Tinni: I had befriended a guy in my college. Though he is a junior..but he is so stunning, smart , dazzling...

Tinni trying hard to read Rajdeepda's mind... his expressions...

Rajdeepda: fine, fine.. But for heaven sake don't work up to a guy who is junior to you, C'mon

Tinni: Oh really ? That's my wish.. That's none of your business.

Rajdeepda: Hey, then go ahead... best of luck.

Rajdeepda suddenly opening his gallery ”Hey look Tinni have got some good snaps over here.

Tinni: Leaning close to Rajdeepda.

Tinni: Hey, whose this you ? Clothing so coloured...This snap is really nice, nice photographer.

Tinni's vision suddenly got tranfixed on a photo...

Tinni: Hey, who is this girl ?

Rajdeepda: Oh.. she is Malavika . The first girl of our department.

Tinni: Nice.... she is having a boyfriend I guess.

Rajdeepda: May be... I don't know... who cares about.

Tinni: Hum.. sounds fishy !!”

Rajdeepda chuckled “ Hey, there is nothing such fishy”.

Rajdeepda: I too got a girlfriend... but... lets leave.

Tinni got dumbstruck .. Tinni.. “you mean... you had a girlfriend.. that means its past... why ? Did you people have a break up !!

Rajdeepda: Hey.. somewhat like that... the girl dumped me..

Tinni pretending to be sympathetic,

Tinni: Oh !! C'mon Tinni don't loose the opportunity... he is free... just walk up to him... and tell him that you love him...Oh! That will seem rather stupid, she thought... C'mon a girl couldn't propose a guy...

Rajdeepda: Hey !! you there ?? lost in thought ...right ? How do this sum...

Tinni: O.. Ya ... doing...

### **20th July, 2008:**

The days had past so fast ... as if in a wink of eye.. Hey again saturday... she could feel her adrenaline rushing so fast that tinges of sweat trickling down her spine. She could still remember, it was raining that day.. she was quite sure that he won't be coming and will gonna send her sms” hey won't be able to come today..will let you know later which day I will be free...” But to her utter surprise the door bell rang...she found him there with his drenched clothes kissing his body elucidating his ravishing

figure. The curls outlining his face proved to be a slide to nuzzle ... her eyes were just wide open as she sees him.

Rajdeepda: Hey, Tinni would you bring me a towel ...

Tinni: Ya, sure.. showing him the bathroom. After 10 mins he came back.

Rajdeepda, trying hard to take out something from his bag

Tinni ! Hey Lappy Wow !      Lenovo...Lenovo...Rajdeepda: O'Kay .. but hold on please. ... its completely drenched... Need to dry it up first. After 15 mins of their official clean Rajdeepda trying his best to catch hold of the lappy. Tinni bemusedly gawking at him when suddenly she could hear a voice whispering.. C'mom Tinni don't be nuts go & help him out. Tinni rushed to his side when due to consequences his hand touched her's Tinni could see the goosebumps on her arm "Oops, I am so sorry..." Tinni told sheepishly. Rajdeepda jerking his hand away in a reflex. "Oh, its okay..." . Tinni could not decipher what had happened.

Tinni: I guess, you need some hot drink to you up... You look so exhausted as if you would go to slumber right now...

Rajdeepda: Smiling... umm.. thanks...

Tinni back after 5 mins with 2 mugs of black coffee and some biscuits.

Rajdeepda: umm... Coffee...!! as if his eyes would pop out of his skull ..

Tinni: Why ? You don't like coffee ?

Rajdeepda: No, I like it most.

Rajdeepda trying to show Tinni something on his lappy...

Tinni: Hey... movies...!! wow... spelling wow in such a fashion with mouth widely open that as if she could gulp all these up immediately. Rajdeepda got a huge collection of movies, music, games ... and for the next 2 hours they spent in watching those short trailers & gossiping.. when suddenly Rajdeepda looking at the watch ... "Hey it is 12, Lets do some Maths.."

Tinni: Hmm.... ... have got my questions? Sem, Starting from next week..

**27th July, 2008:**

Tinni was waiting for him. She was wearing a Capri and a top.. today she will go out with one of her friends Rajdeepda had stepped in ... She was in her study room that

day trying hard to solve out a problem that he gave her the other day.

Tinni: o you have come ..!!

Rajdeepda gazing at her. His unfathomable eyes seemed to convey her something which she was not able to understand, may be Tinni you are looking gorgeous today, may be you are looking like an angel whose innocuous beauty has been unnoticed and undiscovered by this world.may be on rap..rap..rap .

Rajdeepda: Hey, you are going out today.

Tinni: yup.. with one of my friends...my old school buddy

Rajdeepda: Hmm. .. Then you will have a great fun today..

Tinni: Um.. I guess..

Rajdeepda: So, have you done that sum ??

Tinni: Was sitting with it, since last right.. but in vain ...

Rajdeepda: Hm.. then give me the copy she could see that cello gel popping its head out of his breast pocket of his denim shirt. Rajdeepda took it out and soon got busy in solving that out... & Tinni also found herself involved secretly in admiring Rajdeepda....Tinni had longed for a person in her life who would love her, care for her, and would respect her... till the end f her life....she didn't know herself whether she had seen any of these in Rajdeepda... what starstrucked her the most was the amazing persona he got. She didn't want Rajdeepda for the sake of having a bf like her other friends got but she wanted him because she liked to be with him... So was it an infatuation or would she call it a love or true love ?? She herself didn't know the answer.

#### **4th August, 2008:**

Probably this was the last day, Tinni would be meeting Rajdeepda.. Tinni didn't know actually what she supposed to do ? When she would go up to him & tell him all about her feelings for him or will she wait for that day when he would come up to her... Tinni got bemused ... Tinni wouldn't sleep well since last two night .. whether she would stick to her friend's decision ... Tinni go don't miss this opportunity .. dear .. See before he got involved in another relationship you just speak up to him .. but what will mom & dad say ? Will they accept Tinni & Rajdeepda ? What the society will be pointing out ? A student and a teacher ... ??? Tinni could not muster up the courage to speak up to Rajdeepda ... about her feeling. But only thing she was doing wiping her tears . Her griefs now formed into sobs when at last Rajdeepda bid her a final goodbye and wishing her good luck for the upcoming exams. That whole night

Tinni kept on weeping recollecting and cherishing those sweet memories that they had. Those smses that he had sent her and vice-versa. I would never even delete those from my inbox.” She murmured in a tear-clogged tone ..It took a week long for Tinni to get accustomed to her normal schedule. She got promoted to 3rd year with a 8.07 SGPA & 8.5 CGPA. Meanwhile she had a pretty long conversation with Rajdeepda over smses and g-face. She had wiped off her feeling for Rajdeepda ... almost except an infatuation ..Everything was going smooth and sound for Tinni until this bloody morning.

### **20th February, 2010:**

Tinni was searching for one of her friend's account in Facebook.. when suddenly she found Rajdeepda

Tinni: Oh ! Rajdeepda in Facebook but you haven't sent me a request.. well let me send him a request.. Tinni went to his profile.. After sending him the request . She was about to sign out when something caught her vision

Tinni: Hey ! Who is she ? Rajdeepda in a relationship..

Tinni could feel sweat running down her spine even in this chilling day winter morning & tears rolling down her face...

Tinni didn't know why ? Why was she taking it so seriously ? come down, Tinni...He is your teacher... forget about him for heaven sake dear... 2 years had passed. Everything seemed faded away, then why ?

Tinni: Why ? .... ? Why that happened only with me ?

That year Tinni didn't perform well in her semester as usual.. got promoted to 4th year with a 7.5 SGPA...

As days passed by and years rolled by Tinni got recruited as a software executive in Wipro ... Her mom & dad are now satisfied with their daughter as all their dreams have been fulfilled now. Tinni has grown up now She could now analyze that it was not an infatuation rather a love.. a genuine love..and still she would feel that divine pain which the irreparable love would generate and it is a wound that could never be healed...She thought that she might be wrong in judging Rajdeepda... maybe Rajdeepda considered her as a friend, a frenchie friend but not more than that... Maybe it was Tinni who assumed a bit more than what was expected from Rajdeepda. Whatever it may be but Tinni was quite clear from her part that yes she had been in love.. So it's not possible for her to get involved in any further relationship because according to her love happens only once and forever.....