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Rain Song

The Rain Song

In the sound of late summer drizzle squashing the palm trees,

banana leaves and concrete roofs, happy is the

chirping bird

nestled in a

neighbours's jackfruit tree, singing the natural

song of life while I hook on to the printed

word sighing the strain of

early mid life stasis

chiming the tune of a stale symphony.

Uncouth Love

#Uncouth Love#
The unkempt need of
the unabashed curves of skin
creases in
uncouth lonely hours
longing tongue tied in
the binding spell of the fullmoon,

soft kisses, sinking deeper than wintry seas, soaring like foamy waves in

hissing murmur.

We play unrestrained the raw symphony of love;

by the surreal silence of starlight and crescendo of falling moonbeams in your absence

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rolled like satin

musked by savoury

their

Often magically embellished

A Mundane Tale Of Love

#A Mundane tale of love #

1.

In sweat

soaked moments

of mid summer

closeness,

the strokes of love

came as less soulful than

the soothing rain.

Tossing in pleasant dismay while

clogged to a tiring sheet

of

loveless aroma

and

Evading the

mindless dreams.
distance of creepy loneliness

and stoic routine,

often lulled to sleep by the giddy

delight of old coital games.

2.

He who never gave her a rose

now gave her a tiny garden of greens,

with

flowers and bonsai trees,

potted

pomegranates and grape vines,

and she waters

them all delight,

with withered and waned while he waits for the big

overflowing waters of the red River

to recede in

a distant land of unsolicited solitude.

Home

#Home# The

wind that wafts across the titling

Titasopas,

swiftly swaying over the

thick grove of Sagun trees, in the large

open childhood fields of titillating tangy parties with fresh olives

and berries, of cycle races and

lost games of kabaddi

and hide and seek is home.

From bokul scented tangerine dusks

to studious mosquito bitten candlelight desks,

the hilarious laughing women on the village road at budhni burhi's rice bear driven trance

or the frightened children running

away at the Nepali Oldman's

piping sound following the long trail of

his homecoming cows before twilight.

Time slipped under the sun drawing

remembrance of all fear and fun,

like the haunted laburnum

or the silk cotton simolu

behind the dry pond of the forest

with the hollow horrors of

bygone years. The grass is

forever green on the one side

while arid on the other.

It still resurrects shadowy dreams

of a not so distant past.

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Language

Languages are so close to heart The soft lilt in sweet tongues To the coarseness of anger. Or the nasal trade cries Have their symphony The tenderness of a lullaby to the hoarseness of making love Each in its uniqueness a note define. The refined candour of official polish do hardly erase the dust of of a rusty nostalgia for the origin. Yet people fight for linguistic right and others sigh at their superior delight. @Sabreen.13.7.2021