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THE PALACE OF SEMBIYAN MAADEVI.

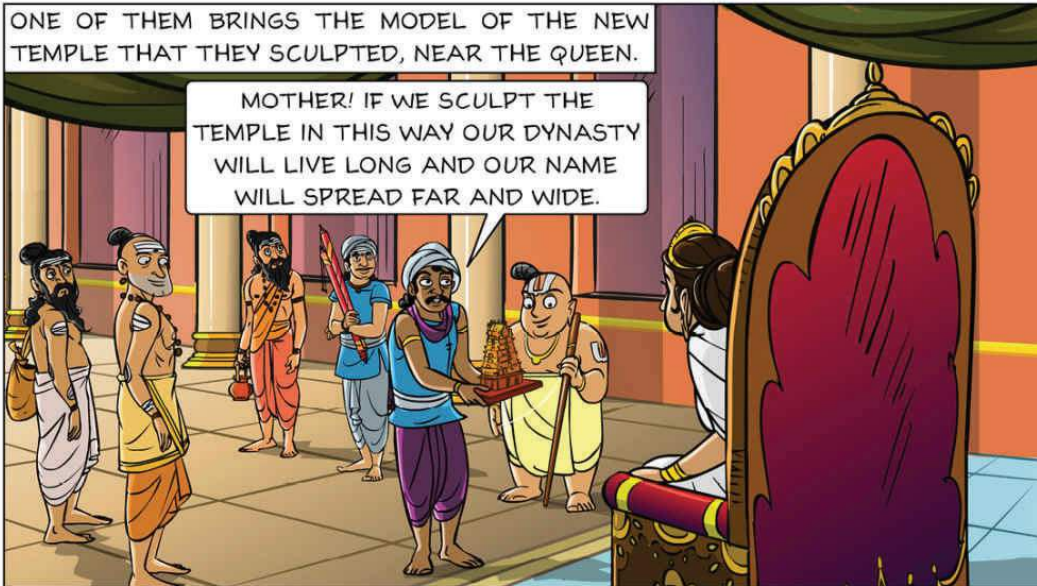
SEMBIYAN MAADEVI SITS GRACIOUSLY ON A JEWEL-STUDDED THRONE, AS MANY SCULPTORS, POETS, ARTISTS ALONG WITH AAZHVAARKADIYAAN AND HIS BROTHER ARE WAITING TO MEET HER.

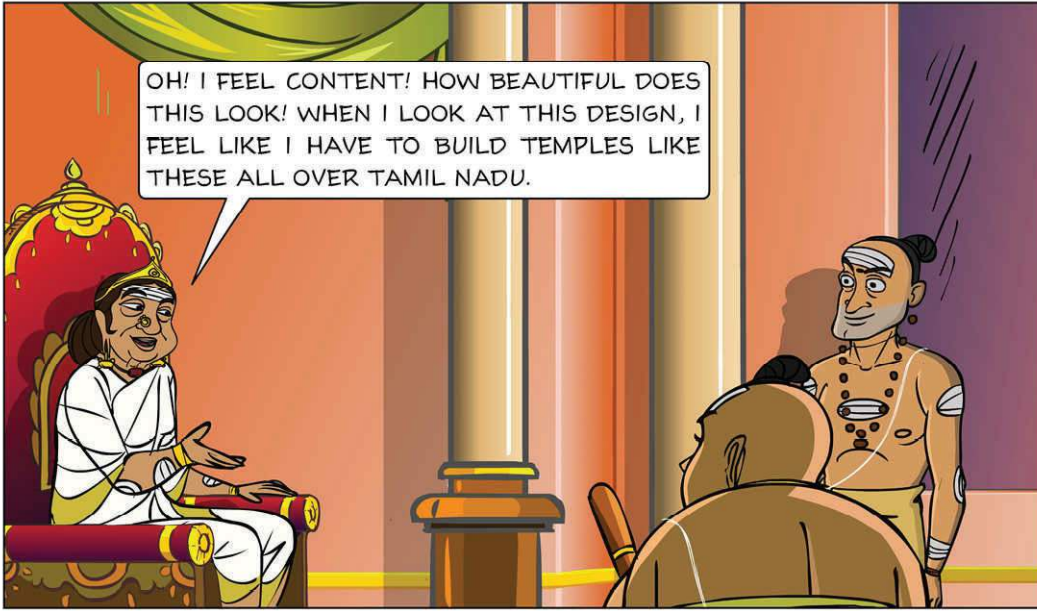


SCULPTORS! GET IT NEAR ME!

ONE OF THEM BRINGS THE MODEL OF THE NEW TEMPLE THAT THEY SCULPTED, NEAR THE QUEEN.

MOTHER! IF WE SCULPT THE TEMPLE IN THIS WAY OUR DYNASTY WILL LIVE LONG AND OUR NAME WILL SPREAD FAR AND WIDE.



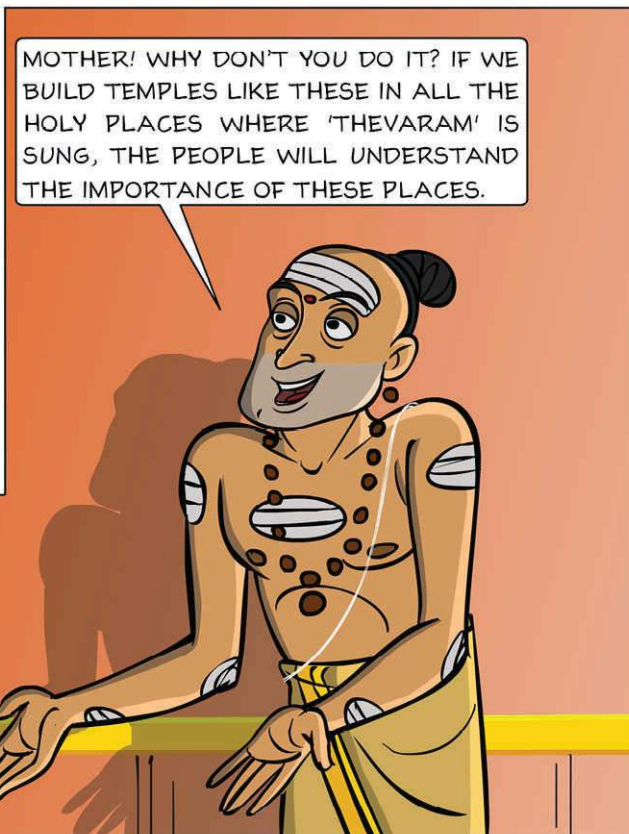


OH! I FEEL CONTENT! HOW BEAUTIFUL DOES THIS LOOK! WHEN I LOOK AT THIS DESIGN, I FEEL LIKE I HAVE TO BUILD TEMPLES LIKE THESE ALL OVER TAMIL NADU.

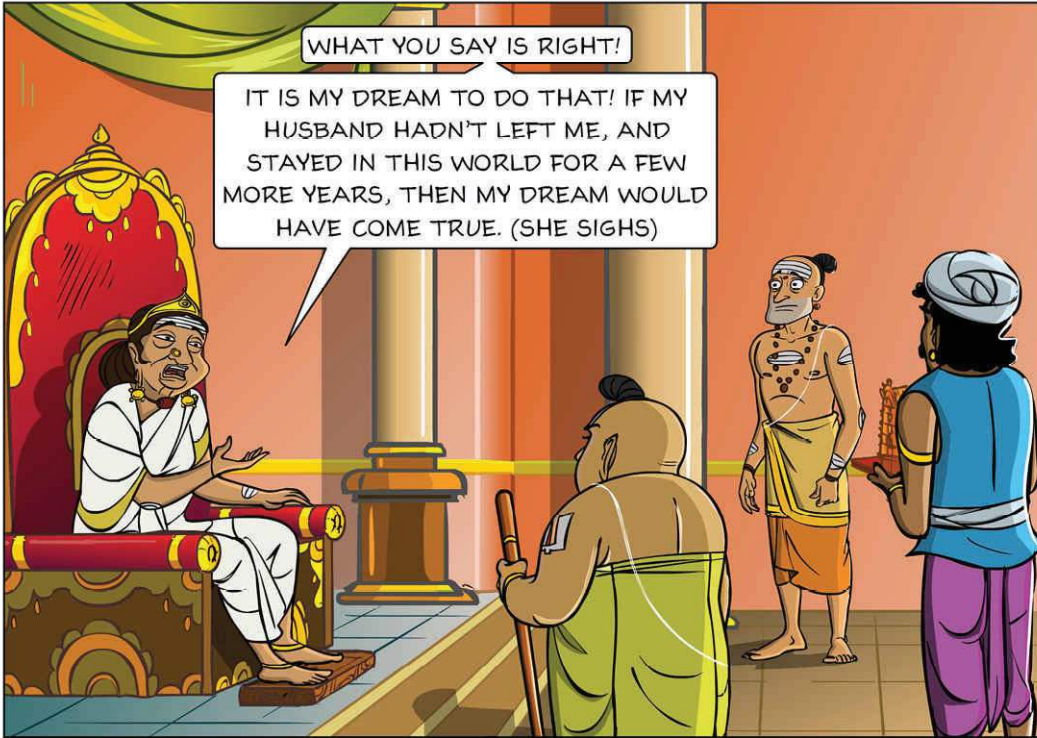


BUT SUDDENLY DEVI'S FACE FALLS...

MMM...

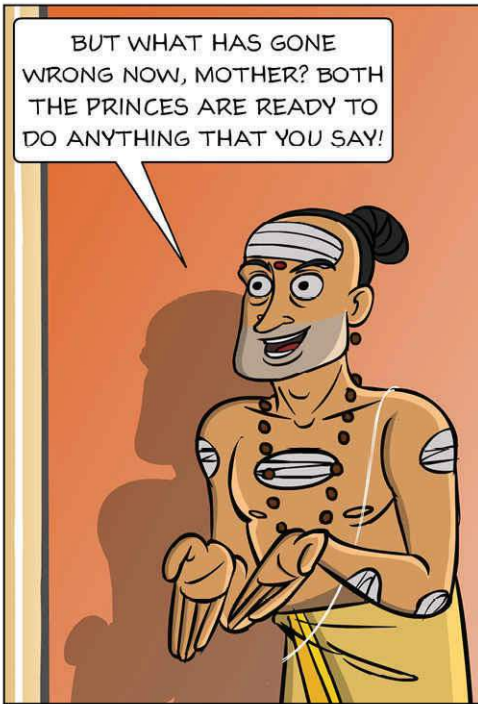


MOTHER! WHY DON'T YOU DO IT? IF WE BUILD TEMPLES LIKE THESE IN ALL THE HOLY PLACES WHERE 'THEVARAM' IS SUNG, THE PEOPLE WILL UNDERSTAND THE IMPORTANCE OF THESE PLACES.



WHAT YOU SAY IS RIGHT!

IT IS MY DREAM TO DO THAT! IF MY HUSBAND HADN'T LEFT ME, AND STAYED IN THIS WORLD FOR A FEW MORE YEARS, THEN MY DREAM WOULD HAVE COME TRUE. (SHE SIGHS)



BUT WHAT HAS GONE WRONG NOW, MOTHER? BOTH THE PRINCES ARE READY TO DO ANYTHING THAT YOU SAY!



BUT I AM NOT AS ENERGETIC AS I USED TO BE. APPARENTLY, THE PEOPLE ARE SAYING THAT ALL THE GOVERNMENT'S MONEY IS GOING TO WASTE BECAUSE OF ME.



THEY SAY THAT LORD SHIVA DOES NOT NEED MANY TEMPLES... I DO NOT CARE ABOUT HOW EVERYONE TALKS WRONG THINGS ABOUT ME, BUT OUR PRINCE FROM KAANCHI...

AAZHVAARKADIYAAN COMES FORWARD.



MOTHER!

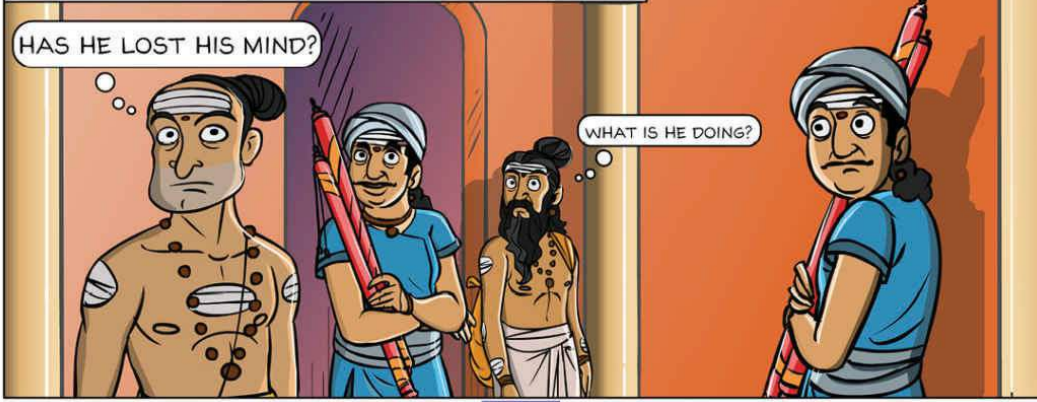
I AM ONE OF THE PEOPLE WHO SAY THAT.



THIS VAISHNAVITE WILL NOT SPEAK LIKE THIS WITHOUT A REASON.

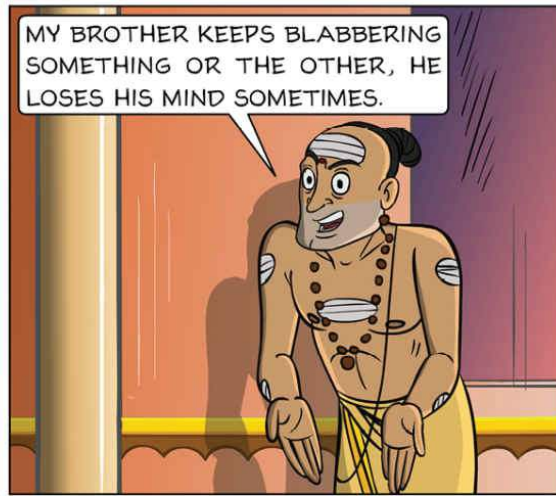
MY STOMACH IS BURNING!

EVERYONE PRESENT IN THE COURT ARE SHOCKED.



HAS HE LOST HIS MIND?

WHAT IS HE DOING?



WON'T THERE BE EVEN ONE TEMPLE FOR, THE GREAT PROTECTOR OF THE WORLD, LORD VISHNU?

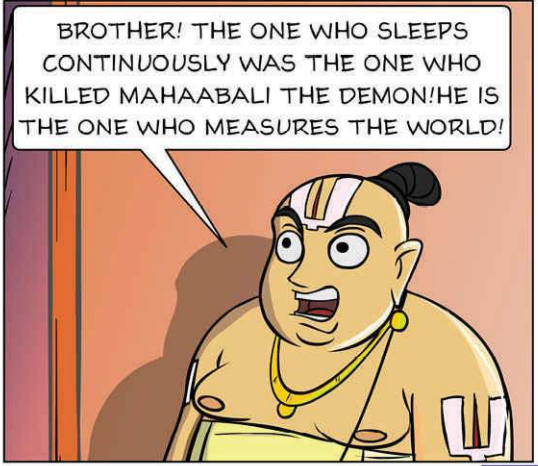


MOTHER!

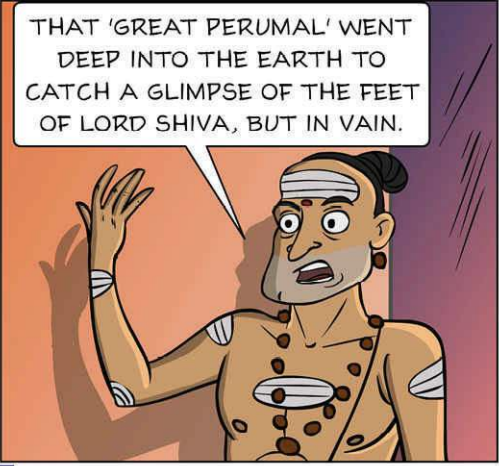


THE GREAT DANCER NEEDS A TEMPLE. ONLY THE GOD WHO KEEPS DANCING RESTLESSLY FOR THE LIFE OF THE WORLD NEED TEMPLES!!

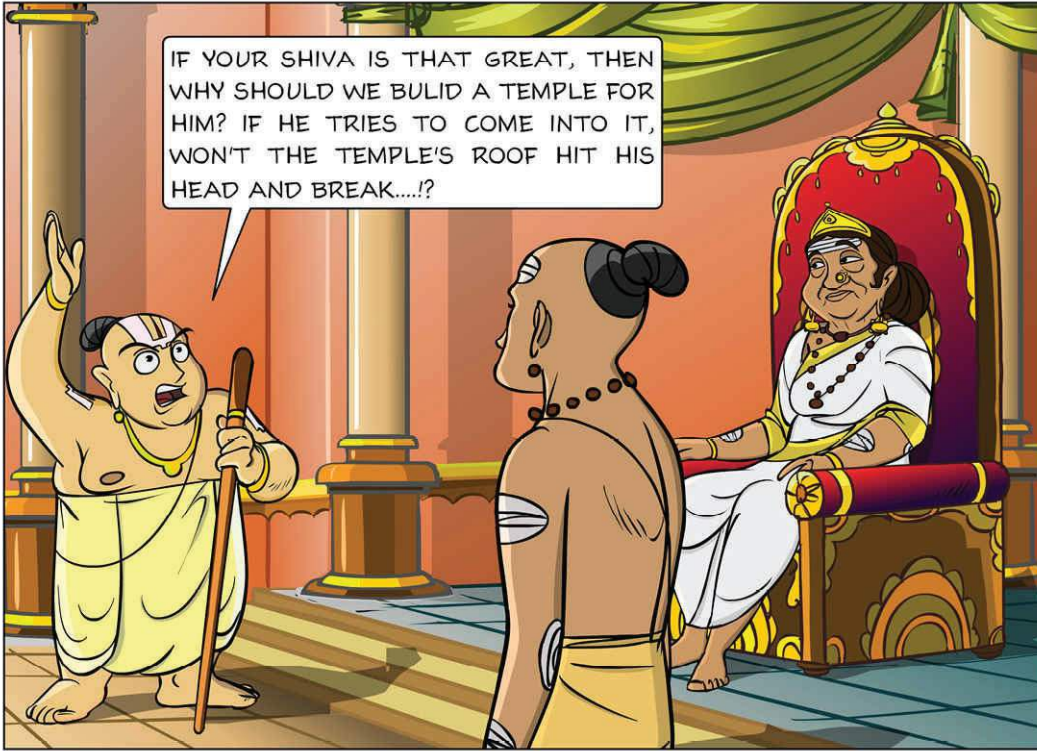
WHY DOES THE ONE WHO SLEEPS CONSTANTLY NEED A TEMPLE? NOT FOR THIRUMAL WHO SLEEPS CONTINUOUSLY!!



BROTHER! THE ONE WHO SLEEPS CONTINUOUSLY WAS THE ONE WHO KILLED MAHAABALI THE DEMON! HE IS THE ONE WHO MEASURES THE WORLD!



THAT 'GREAT PERUMAL' WENT DEEP INTO THE EARTH TO CATCH A GLIMPSE OF THE FEET OF LORD SHIVA, BUT IN VAIN.

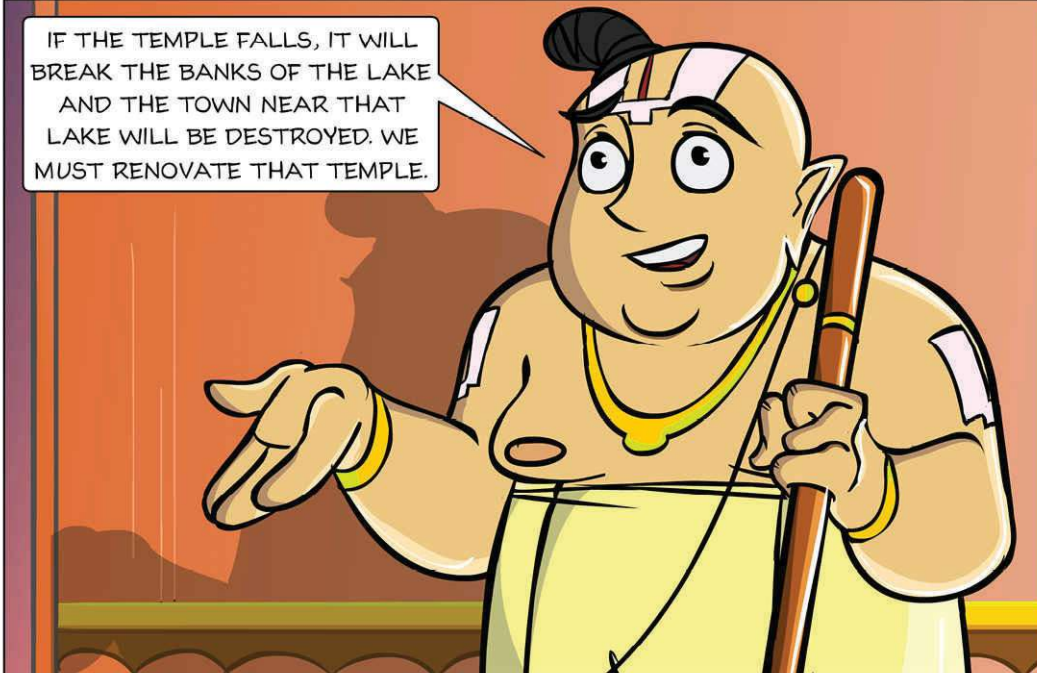
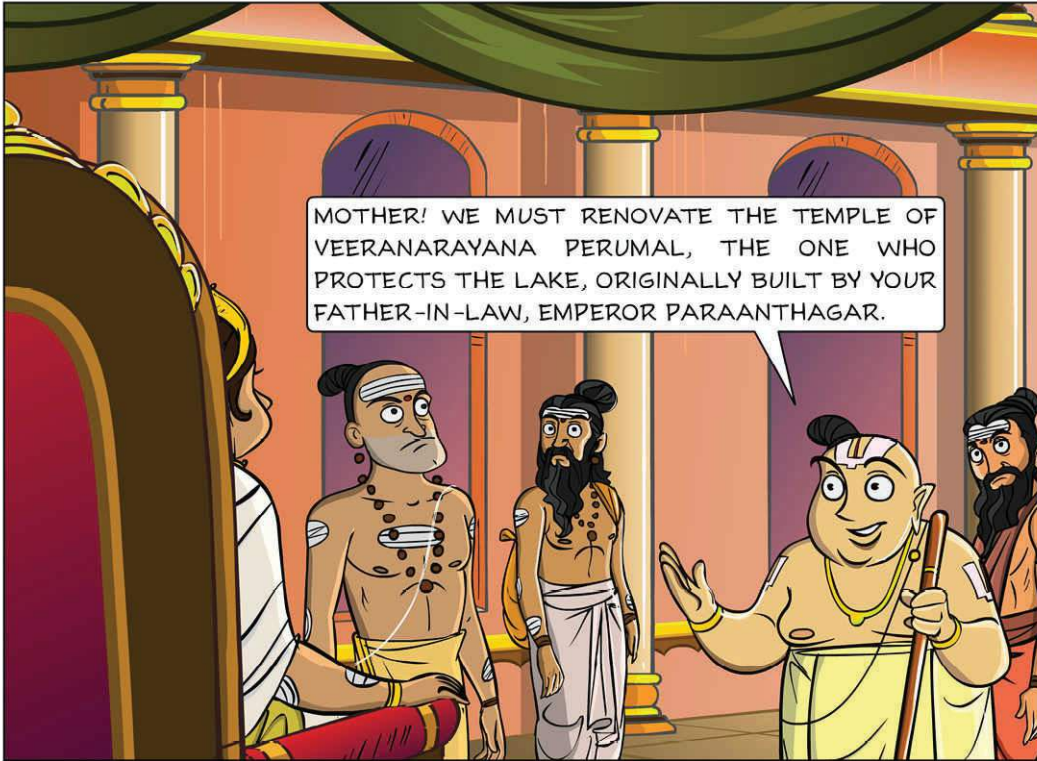


IF YOUR SHIVA IS THAT GREAT, THEN WHY SHOULD WE BUILD A TEMPLE FOR HIM? IF HE TRIES TO COME INTO IT, WON'T THE TEMPLE'S ROOF HIT HIS HEAD AND BREAK....!?



SEMBIYAN MAADEVI LAUGHS AT THIS....

STOP YOUR FIGHT!
THIRUMALAI WHICH TEMPLE'S ROOF DO YOU WANT TO RENOVATE?



SEMBIYAN MAADEVI REALISES THAT AAZHVAARKADIYAAN WANTS TO SAY SOMETHING TO HER.

OK LET'S DO IT!
ELABORATE ABOUT HOW YOU WANT US TO DO IT.
LET THE OTHERS LEAVE.

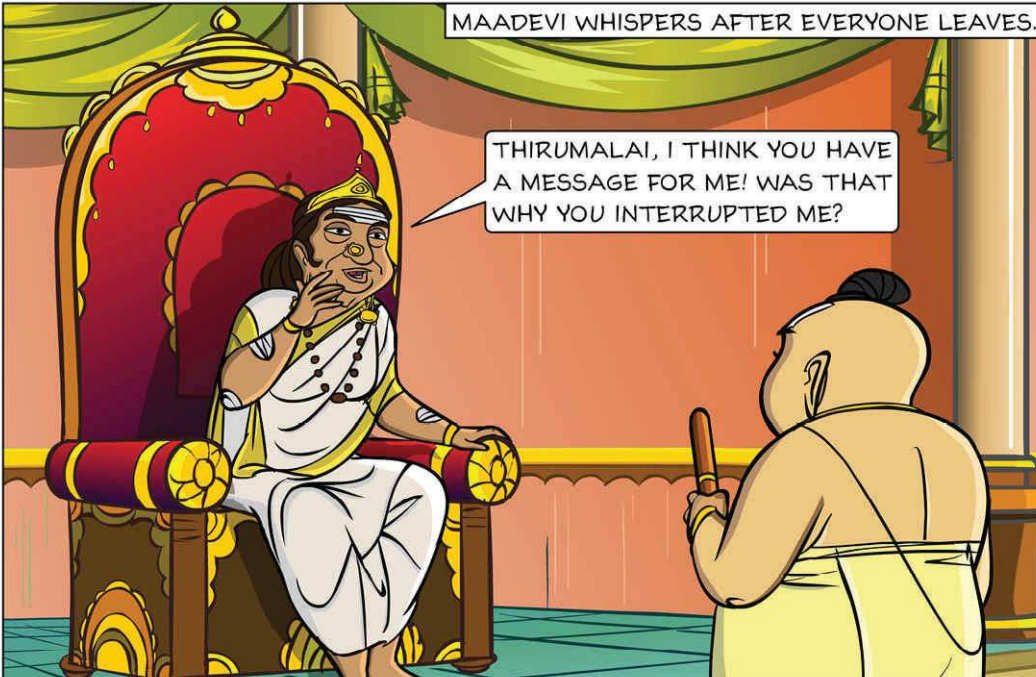


EVERYONE STARTS LEAVING THE MOMENT DEVI SAYS SO, INCLUDING 'EESAANA SHIVA PATTAR' THE BROTHER OF AAZHVAARKADIYAAN.



MAADEVI WHISPERS AFTER EVERYONE LEAVES.

THIRUMALAI, I THINK YOU HAVE A MESSAGE FOR ME! WAS THAT WHY YOU INTERRUPTED ME?





YES MOTHER! I HAVE LOTS OF IMPORTANT THINGS TO TELL YOU. BUT YOU STARTED TO SAY SOMETHING ABOUT OUR PRINCE AT KAANCHI, THAT WAS THE REAL REASON FOR ME TO INTERRUPT YOU....



WE DO NOT KNOW WHO MIGHT BE A SPY IN THIS CROWD.... WHO MIGHT BE LOYAL? WHO KNOWS, MOTHER?



SEMBIYAN MAADEVI SIGHS.

FAMILY MEMBERS, EVEN BLOOD RELATED HAVE STARTED TO SUSPECT EACH OTHER. (SHE FEELS BAD ABOUT THIS).

THIRUMALAI! AADHITHA KARIKAALAN USED TO SHOW MORE LOVE & RESPECT ON ME THAN HIS OWN MOTHER. NOW, HE HAS STARTED SUSPECTING MY MOVES.

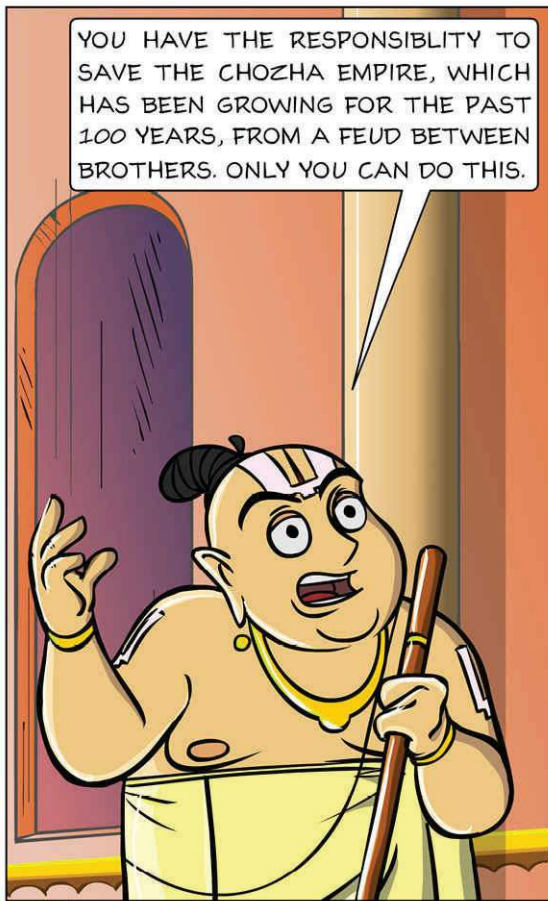


IT WOULD HAVE BEEN GOOD IF I HAD LEFT THIS INHUMANE WORLD WITH MY HUSBAND...BUT HE HAS LEFT ME WITH THINGS TO DO... I AM SO UNLUCKY!!

MOTHER! YOU ARE A GREAT SCHOLAR! WE ARE LUCKY TO HAVE YOU WITH US!



YOU HAVE THE RESPONSIBILITY TO SAVE THE CHOZHA EMPIRE, WHICH HAS BEEN GROWING FOR THE PAST 100 YEARS, FROM A FEUD BETWEEN BROTHERS. ONLY YOU CAN DO THIS.





I DON'T THINK SO... WHEN MY OWN SON DOESN'T LISTEN TO ME, HOW CAN I EXPECT OTHERS TO LISTEN TO ME?

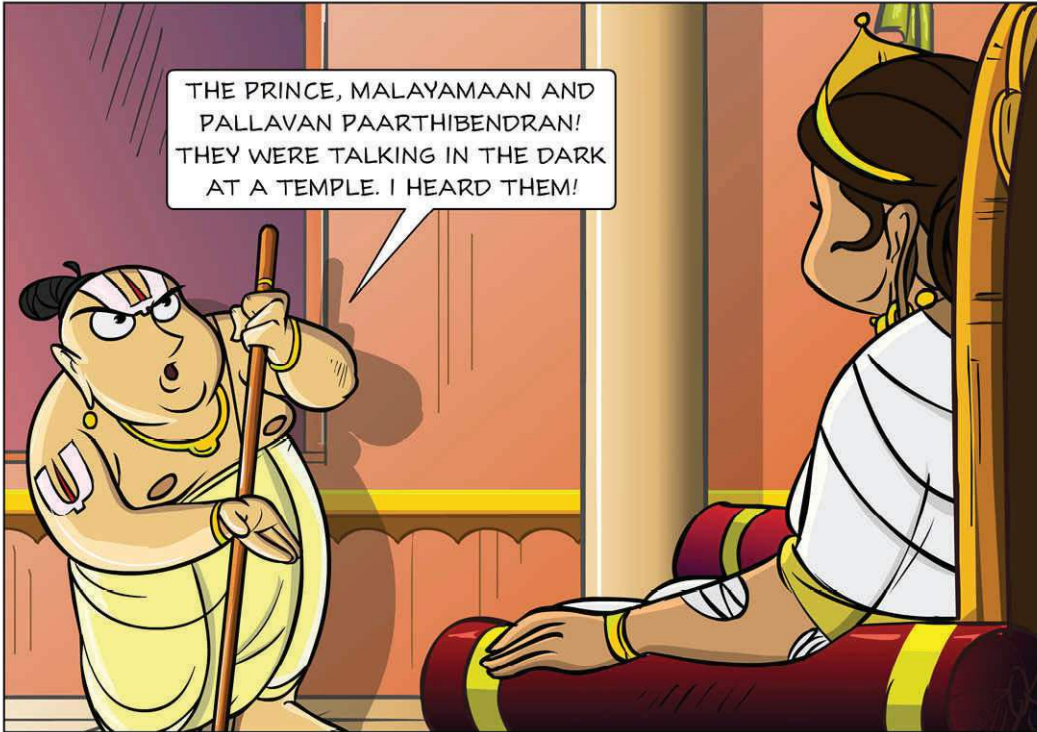
THIRUMALAI! YOU TOLD ME ABOUT THE PRINCE, DO YOU THINK KARIKAALAN HAS SENT A SPY? DO YOU THINK HE HAS LOST ALL HIS TRUST IN ME?



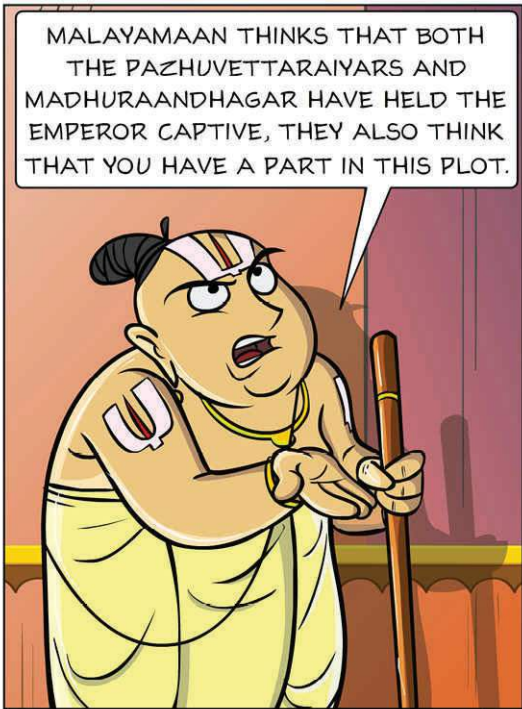
YES MOTHER! I HEARD THEM SPEAK ABOUT THIS IN KAANCHI.



WHO ARE 'THEY'?



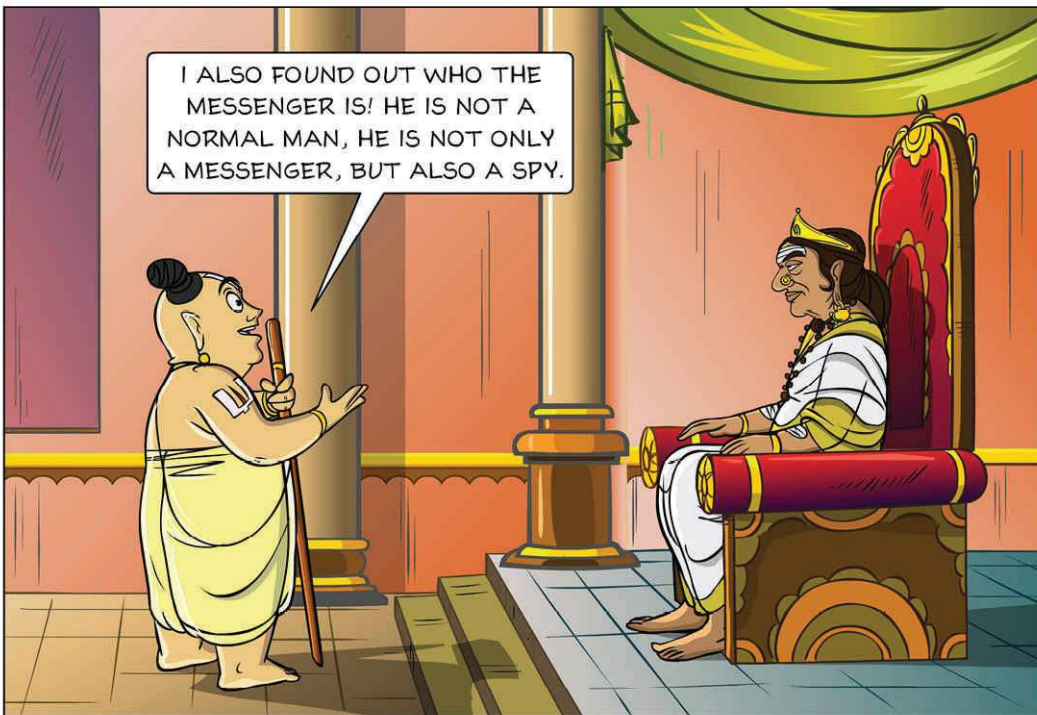
THE PRINCE, MALAYAMAAN AND PALLAVAN PAARTHIBENDRAN! THEY WERE TALKING IN THE DARK AT A TEMPLE. I HEARD THEM!



MALAYAMAAN THINKS THAT BOTH THE PAZHUVEETARAIYARS AND MADHURAANDHAGAR HAVE HELD THE EMPEROR CAPTIVE, THEY ALSO THINK THAT YOU HAVE A PART IN THIS PLOT.



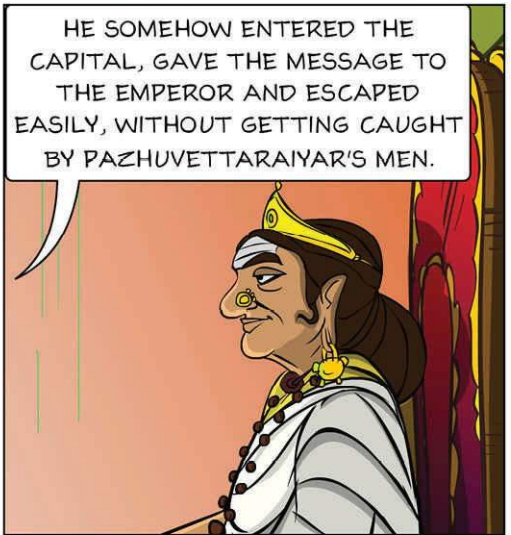
PAARTHIBENDRAN SUGGESTED TO SEND AN ARMY TO TANJORE TO FREE THE EMPEROR AND BRING HIM BACK TO KAANCHI.





I TRIED SPEAKING TO HIM. HE IS NOT REVEALING ANYTHING ABOUT HIMSELF, INSTEAD HE WAS TRYING TO EXTRACT INFORMATION FROM ME.

EVEN, OUR 'KUDANDHAI ASTROLOGER' FAILED TO PLAY HIS TRICKS ON HIM.

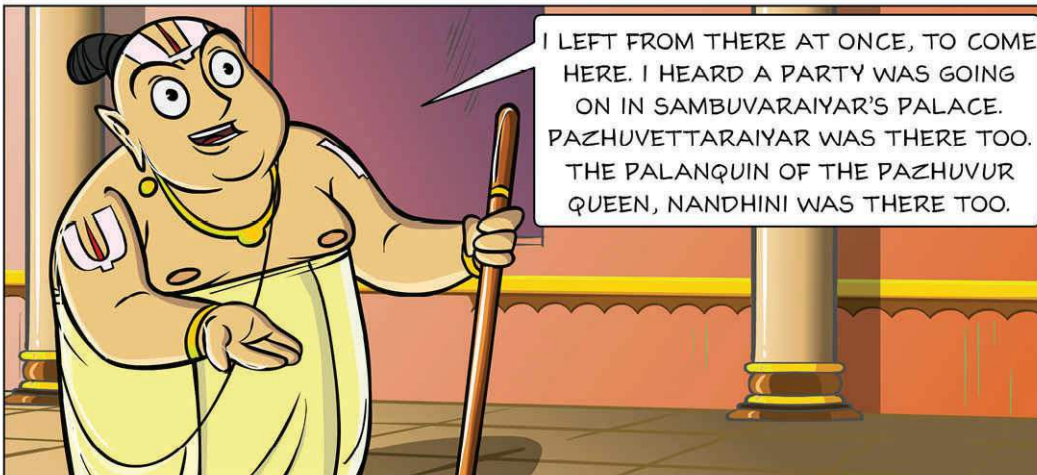


HE SOMEHOW ENTERED THE CAPITAL, GAVE THE MESSAGE TO THE EMPEROR AND ESCAPED EASILY, WITHOUT GETTING CAUGHT BY PAZHUVETTARAIYAR'S MEN.

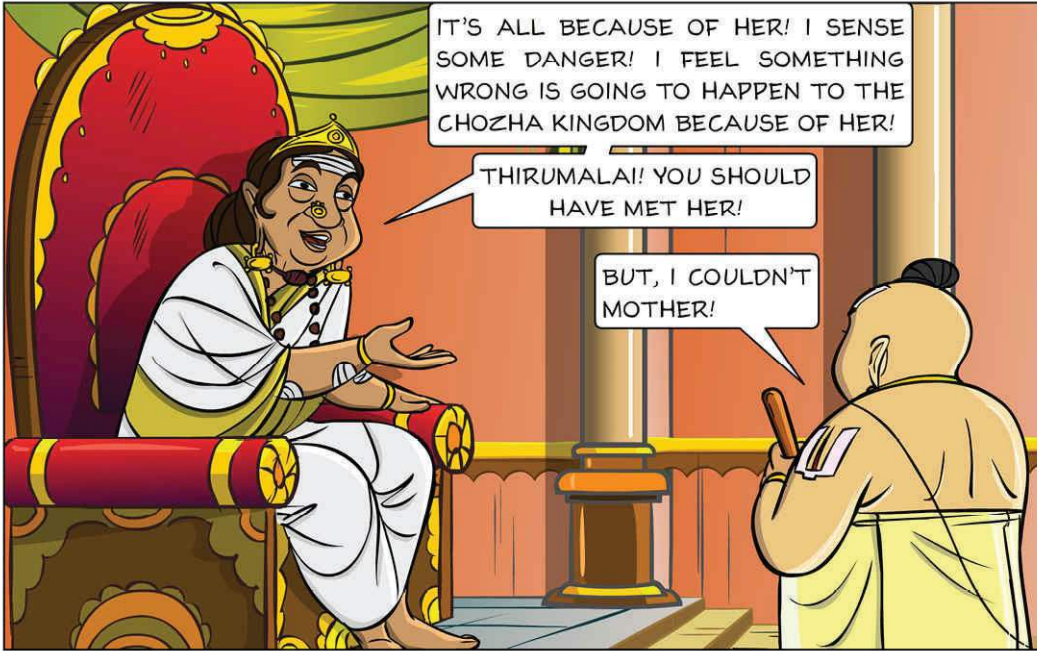


THEN HE MUST BE VERY SMART, NO DOUBT!

AFTER LEAVING KAANCHI, WHERE ELSE DID YOU GO?



I LEFT FROM THERE AT ONCE, TO COME HERE. I HEARD A PARTY WAS GOING ON IN SAMBUVARAIYAR'S PALACE. PAZHUVETTARAIYAR WAS THERE TOO. THE PALANQUIN OF THE PAZHUVUR QUEEN, NANDHINI WAS THERE TOO.



IT'S ALL BECAUSE OF HER! I SENSE SOME DANGER! I FEEL SOMETHING WRONG IS GOING TO HAPPEN TO THE CHOZHA KINGDOM BECAUSE OF HER!

THIRUMALAI! YOU SHOULD HAVE MET HER!

BUT, I COULDN'T MOTHER!

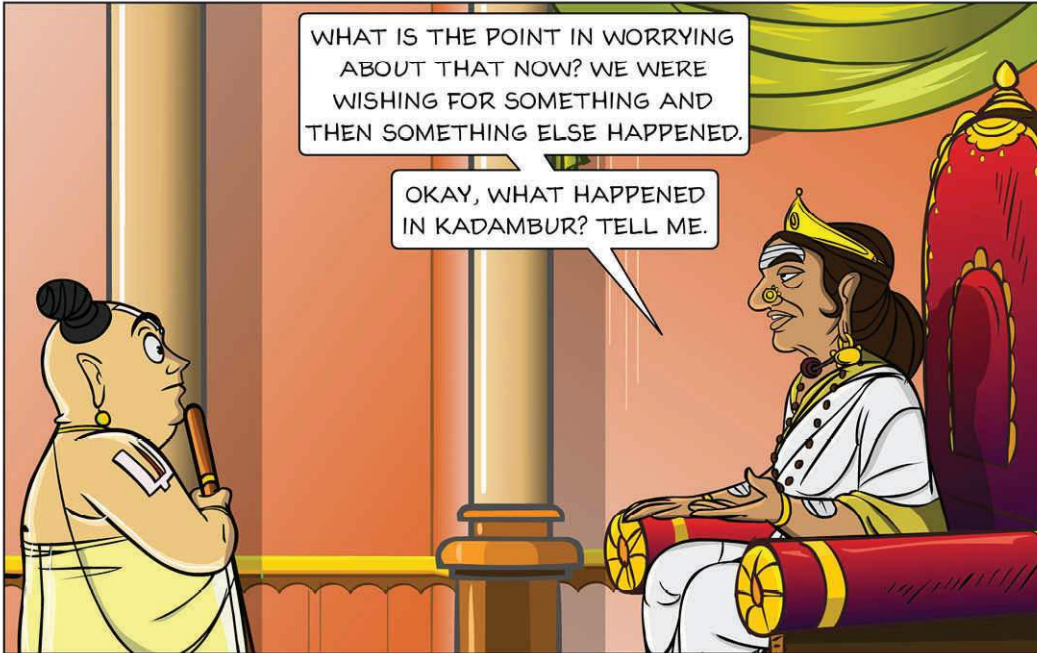


WITH UNCONTROLLABLE FURY,

I DID ABIDE TO YOUR ORDERS ONCE, AND BROUGHT UP THAT SNAKE AS MY OWN SISTER!



I TAUGHT HER SO MANY POEMS AND SCRIPTURES. MY MIND IS BURNING WHEN I THINK ABOUT THAT! SHE REFUSES TO MEET ME AFTER SHE BECAME THE QUEEN OF PAZHUVUR.



WHAT IS THE POINT IN WORRYING ABOUT THAT NOW? WE WERE WISHING FOR SOMETHING AND THEN SOMETHING ELSE HAPPENED.

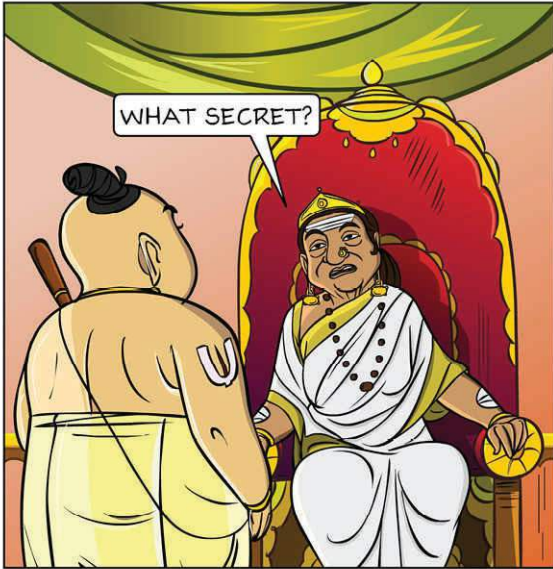
OKAY, WHAT HAPPENED IN KADAMBUR? TELL ME.



I WANTED TO MEET NANDHINI SOMEHOW AND WARN HER.



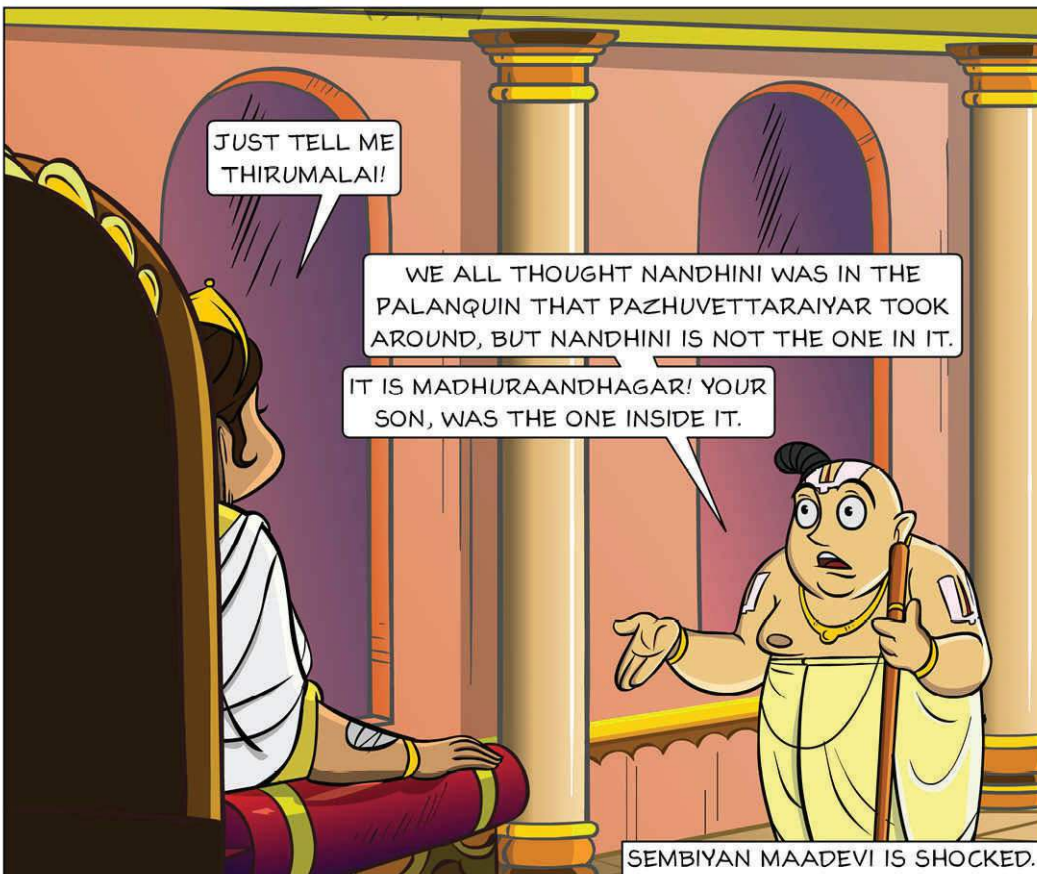
I JUMPED OVER THE FORT! THAT WAS WHEN I GOT TO KNOW ABOUT THEIR SECRET.



WHAT SECRET?



SORRY MOTHER! BUT I FEEL BAD TO SAY IT.



JUST TELL ME THIRUMALAI!

WE ALL THOUGHT NANDHINI WAS IN THE PALANQUIN THAT PAZHUVETTARAIYAR TOOK AROUND, BUT NANDHINI IS NOT THE ONE IN IT.

IT IS MADHURAANDHAGAR! YOUR SON, WAS THE ONE INSIDE IT.

SEMBIYAN MAADEVI IS SHOCKED.

SEMBIYAN MAADEVI IS DISTURBED WHEN SHE LEARNS THAT MADHURAANDHAGAR WAS IN THE PALANQUIN.



AYYO! MY SON! I WANTED HIM TO GROW UP AND BECOME A SHIVA DEVOTEE... WHAT HAS HAPPENED TO HIM? HE SHOULDN'T CAUSE ANY TROUBLE TO THIS DYNASTY.



THIRUMALAI! MEET ME ONCE BEFORE YOU LEAVE PAZHAIYAARAI! I HAVE TO SPEAK TO KUNDHAVAI TO STOP THIS FROM BECOMING A GREAT DANGER.



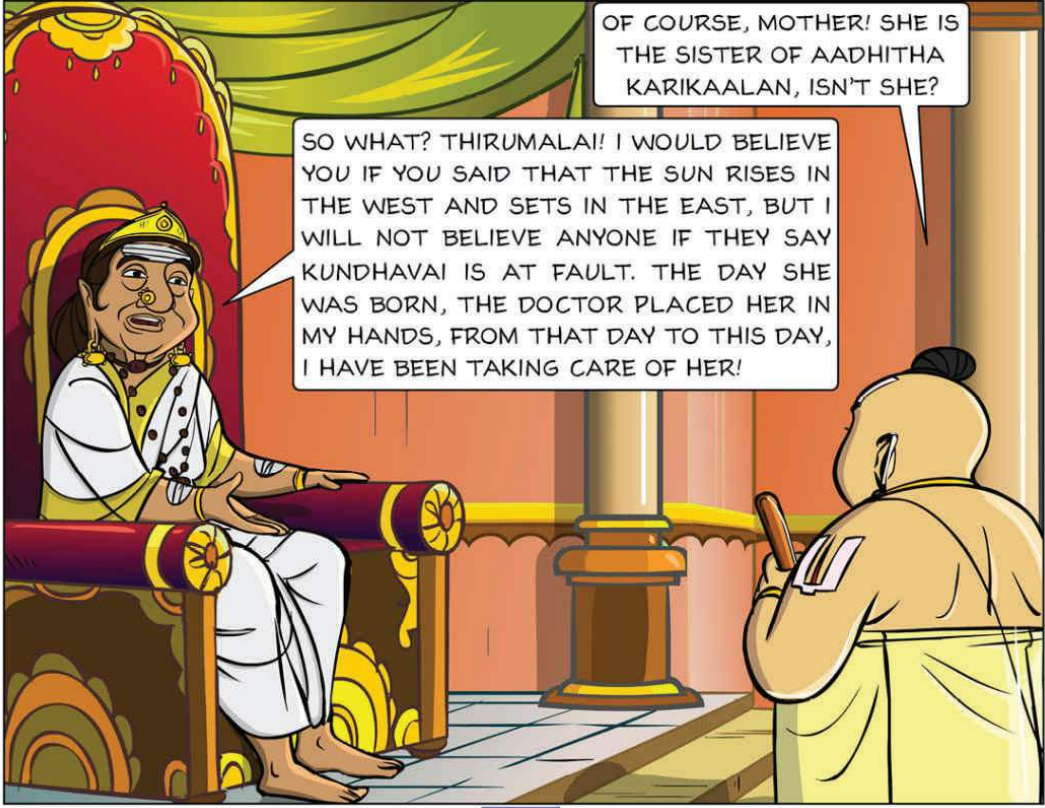
MOTHER! I THINK ITS BEST THAT YOU DO NOT SPEAK ABOUT THIS TO THE PRINCESS.



WHY? DO YOU DOUBT HER TOO?



OF COURSE, MOTHER! SHE IS THE SISTER OF AADHITHA KARIKAALAN, ISN'T SHE?



SO WHAT? THIRUMALAI! I WOULD BELIEVE YOU IF YOU SAID THAT THE SUN RISES IN THE WEST AND SETS IN THE EAST, BUT I WILL NOT BELIEVE ANYONE IF THEY SAY KUNDHAVAI IS AT FAULT. THE DAY SHE WAS BORN, THE DOCTOR PLACED HER IN MY HANDS, FROM THAT DAY TO THIS DAY, I HAVE BEEN TAKING CARE OF HER!



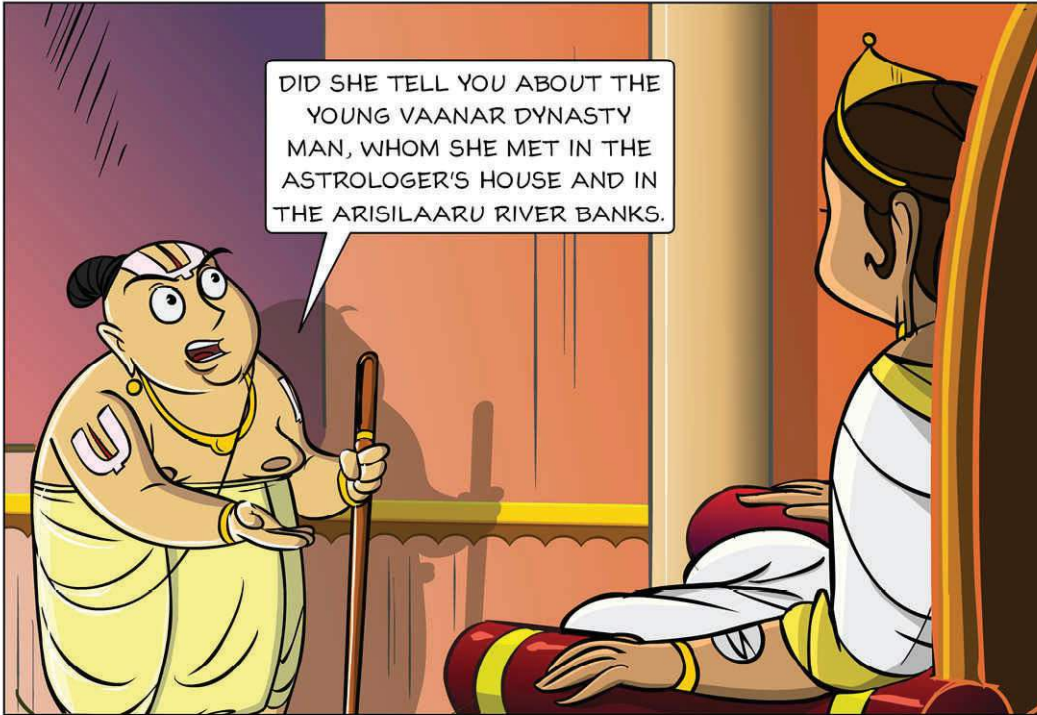
I TAKE MORE CARE OF KUNDHAVAI THAN MY OWN SON. SHE RESPECTS AND LOVES ME AS SHE LOVES HER OWN FATHER AND MOTHER.



MOTHER! LET ME ASK YOU ONE THING. DID KUNDHAVAI DEVI TELL YOU ABOUT HER VISITING THE ASTROLOGER?



NO, SO WHAT?



DID SHE TELL YOU ABOUT THE YOUNG VAANAR DYNASTY MAN, WHOM SHE MET IN THE ASTROLOGER'S HOUSE AND IN THE ARISILAARU RIVER BANKS.

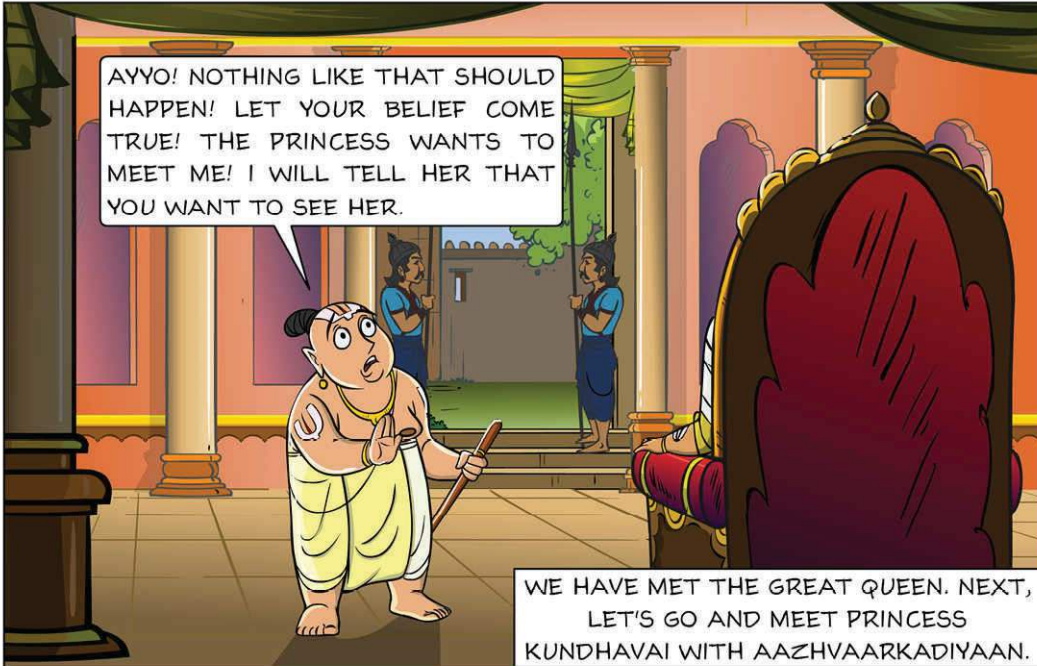


NO... WHAT ARE YOU TRYING TO SAY FROM THIS?



I THINK THE PRINCESS HAS SECRETS THAT SHE DOES NOT WANT TO TELL YOU. THAT MAN IS THE MESSENGER OF AADHITHA KARIKAALAN. TO BE MORE PRECISE, WE CAN CALL HIM A 'SPY'.





AYYO! NOTHING LIKE THAT SHOULD HAPPEN! LET YOUR BELIEF COME TRUE! THE PRINCESS WANTS TO MEET ME! I WILL TELL HER THAT YOU WANT TO SEE HER.

WE HAVE MET THE GREAT QUEEN. NEXT, LET'S GO AND MEET PRINCESS KUNDHAVAI WITH AAZHVAARKADIYAAN.



WE SAW THE FIGHT BETWEEN EESAANA PATTAR AND AAZHVAARKADIYAAN. THEY ARE BROTHERS! YOU MIGHT BE SURPRISED..... WE ARE NOW LOOKING AT SAIVITES AND VAISHNAVITES SEPARATELY. BUT AT THAT TIME, MEMBERS OF THE SAME FAMILY USED TO BE SEPARATED INTO SAIVITES AND VAISHNAVITES.

AS IT IS KRISHNA JAYANTHI, THE GIRLS ARE DANCING AND PLAYING IN THE GARDEN. BUT KUNDHAVAI AND VAANATHI ARE SWINGING IN A SWING, ALONE IN THE GARDEN.

