

Wed-Locked

No Dhruv, you don't understand. This is a last minute wedding. If the guests are going to fly in at a day's notice and there is no single malt, they are going to vandalize your bar. No one is actually going to vandalize your bar but I can't speak for the groom's family.

You feel this wedding is too rushed?

What?

You were just saying on the phone. Everything is so last minute...

Maa... No

Because we can cancel it. Just because Kabir proposed, it doesn't have to happen like this.

Maa, I think what Kabir did was really romantic and I'm really excited about this wedding.

What? They are here already?

No need to panic. Here, you put on these earrings. I'll quickly use the washroom and then we'll head downstairs together.

(Bell rings)

Come in

Good evening, Ma'am. Your organizers are not allowing your guests into the banquet hall. They are creating disturbance in the lobby. Could you please help?

Sorry about that. Maa, we need to leave now.

(Tries to unlock the door)

Payal, something is wrong. I can't open this door.

Maa, what happened?

This door isn't opening.

Excuse me, my mother is trapped in the bathroom. The lock seems to be jammed.

The lock is actually jammed. I will have to call the maintenance team

Maa, he has gone to get help.

I knew it. This is a sign. This wedding is going to be a disaster.

No Maa. Don't say that.

Kabir's proposal was very sweet, but why insist that the wedding happen immediately?

That's who Kabir is.

But that's the thing. How do you know that? I mean, you tell me. Are you sure you know Kabir that well?

Ashwin, what's happening?

They said we cannot enter yet.

Can I get off the horse now?

No. Wait, I'll check.

The locksmith will reach in 1 hour.

What! One hour? Is he locked in a room himself?

I will try and hurry it up.

What did you say?

Uh... One. Kabir is one big cake fan.

That you can tell by looking at him.

No, I mean, he appreciates specialty cakes like sculptures. That's why I...

That's why you what?

I didn't want to tell you, but that's why I got the wedding cake specially ordered from the gourmet pastry chef that he is a fan of.

You think she developed cold feet?

Now I do. Can I get off the horse now?

No, let me check (nods, reassuringly)

Also, the music tonight is a live swing band because Kabir loves that music.

You planned all that?

Yes. The groom's entrance is like what you see in films, with an actor that looks like Salman. So when Kabir enters, the actor will realize that he is the third wheel and graciously step aside.

That is so beautiful. We have to make this wedding happen right now!

You are absolutely right! Your daughter has this magnificent event waiting for her and I am worried about chaos in the lobby? I am the concierge of this hotel and I should be bringing dreams to life!

Ma'am come along.

But my mother...

You can't keep your fiancé waiting. I promise I will get your mother out.

But I am not the bride! My mother is!

(Realizes his mistake and tries to unlock the door)

Ma'am, you will have to step aside.

Wait, I think the lock is fine now.

May I say you're the most beautiful bride I have ever seen. I hope you have a wonderful wedding.

Of course. I have the best planner.

Let's go down.

(Closes the door and checks the lock)

Kabir! What are you still doing up there on the horse? The bride is waiting.

Can someone please help me get off this horse?

I felt bad for the horse. Despite waiting for so long, he didn't get any dessert.

Is that all you took back from all these stories?

What did you take back from these stories?

I have known people who had late marriages, second marriages and it was nice that it was depicted here.

Late marriages are no longer a social taboo. Lot of people are doing things much later in life – their passion, their hobbies. They start to live it out later. One should have a sound financial plan to live the passion a lot better.

In all these 3 stories, unplanned or late pregnancy, late marriages or taking care of your elderly parents, these are things that are quite real and plausible. Even though we may not think about them daily.

No one actually wants to think about them, because they think it is not an immediate priority. Like retirement or old age won't happen to me immediately! But it arrives quickly, if we procrastinate. So one should have a plan and then retirement can be taken care of. All the unexpected events in life can also be taken care of.

It's all about the right planning.

Happy planning.