

Case Study:2: A Social Dilemma:

A Heartfelt Love Story

📍 In a small, picturesque town, a wide river flows through its center. On either side lie two lives, connected by a single old bridge. 🏚



In this town lived four people:

- 👩 Arati – a virtuous, passionate young woman
- 👨 Rahul – her lover, a recent graduate
- 🚣 Kishore-da – a boatman
- 👊 Sanjay – Rahul's friend, sincere from the heart

❤️ The beginning of love... but values are tested!

Arati and Rahul, after a year of love, have just gotten engaged. 🎉 They plan to marry in two months. However, Rahul constantly desires physical intimacy 💋, while Arati insists:

🗣 "I want to preserve my virginity before marriage. Love means trust, not just physical intimacy."

Rahul remains silent, but dissatisfaction clouds his eyes.

⚡ Suddenly, a storm hits the town!

⚡ Chaos ensues, and the town's only bridge breaks! 🏠 Homes, people, and life itself are in turmoil. Arati and Rahul are separated on opposite sides of the river.

They see each other from afar every day...

👉 Sending kisses through the wind...

But suddenly...

Rahul stops coming 😢

⌚ Three days pass...

Arati wonders with tears in her eyes:

“Has Rahul forgotten me?”

“Has someone else entered his life?”

In the end, Arati cannot wait any longer.

🧭 She decides to cross the river!

⛵ Approaching Kishore-da for the last hope... but...

👤 "Brother, please help me cross the river. I want to go to Rahul."

Kishore-da, eagerly:

👤 "You don't need money... spend one night with me, and I'll take you across."

😱 Arati is shocked!

👤 "How dare you suggest this! Don't you have a mother or sister? How could you propose such a thing?"

But Kishore-da remains silent, his eyes burning with anger.

Even after pleading for three days, he doesn't soften!

💔 Brokenhearted and tearful, Arati finally agrees...

🌅 The next morning – reunion, then separation...

Arati reaches Rahul's side. 🎉 They embrace, cry, laugh...

But Rahul wants to know:

👤 "How did you manage to come?"

Arati tearfully confesses:

👤 "I spent a night with Kishore-da on his boat to get here. Without you, I have no one." 💔

🔥 Rahul gets angry!

👤 "You're impure, unholy! I don't want to see you anymore!" 🚫 He pushes her out.

😱 Arati breaks down...

She walks to the riverbank...

Drowning in tears...

Her heart asks, "What will become of this life?"

Her heart says, "It's all over..."

👊 Then comes Sanjay...

👊 Then sits by her side... Sanjay!

Friend" – bravely telling the truth.

He listens to all of Arati's words.

He doesn't stay silent!

📍 First goes to Rahul –

🎯 "Did you love her or just use conditions?"

👉 A slap! In Rahul's face!

📍 Then goes to Kishore-da –

⚓ Seated on the riverbank!

☒ Sanjay jumps on him!

💥 A slap!

💥 A punch!

💥 A beating!

"You've stained a girl, used her weakness?

👉 Don't you have a mother and sister?

How could you propose such a thing? "

💔 Arati sits by the riverbank...

👭 Sanjay sits beside her...

Quietly says —

👋 "You let go of yourself for your love...

🎖️ You loved by heart!

That sacrifice, no one understood...

👤 Everyone saw your body,

But no one saw your love.

Instead...

👉 You were insulted! "



Love means the bond of the soul...

And that bond understands, that's the real person!

Here, the story doesn't end... It begins with a question!

Who's right? Who's wrong?

In this story, who's the hero? Who's the villain?

Questions for Discussion (Group Exercise / Brainstorming)

1 Did Arati make the right decision?

2 Rahul – Lover or society's masked judge?

Did he do the right thing?

3 Kishore-da – Opportunist or pragmatic person?

Isn't he a clever intellectual?

4 Sanjay – True friend or avenger?

Isn't he an emotionally charged avenger?

Who judges justice with his own emotions?

5 What would you do in Arati's place, in Sanjay's place?

 **Ranking Task (Group Exercise):**

Rank each character from 1 to 5 —

(1 = Most Admirable, 5 = Most Blameworthy)

 **Task Instructions:**

Rank each character from 1 to 5 —

(1 means you like the most, and 5 means you consider least valuable or less favorite).

Write down the ranking of the other members of your team in the table below.

Character	Your Ranking	Member 1	Member 2	Member 3	Member 4
 Arati					
 Rahul					
 Kishore-da					
 Sanjay					

 **Reflection Questions (Written Analysis):**

1 Explain the reasons for your ranking.

► Why did you rank from 1 to 5?

► Explain your reasoning, values, and perspective.

2 What is your main learning from this experience?

► Relationships, morality, love, self-respect, what have you learned?

3 Which character would you have liked to be in this story? Why?

► Imagine yourself in their place, explain?

 This story is a mirror of life...

Where reality is reflected,

The deception of love,

And the difficult trials of self-respect.

What would you do if you were a character in the story?

How have you found your own connection to any character and why? Explain.