

"Your Dreams are mine now" – Ravinder Singh: A Book Review

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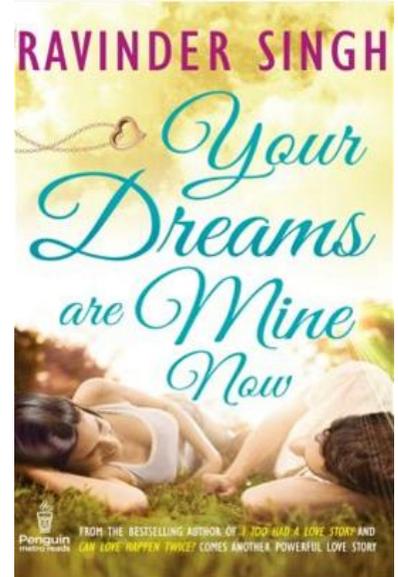
Synopsis and Evaluation

Reading a book means gaining knowledge and face the reality. The Character Arjun is a guy with hard look with soft loving heart which look stubborn from first look but softhearted from inside. In this book "your dreams are mine now" he shows us all the phases of college life from fresher party to political approach, love and the worst part of his life is losing his soul mate lover whom he loved like anything.

The first impression of Delhi University (DU) which was created by author in this book shows that unlike other colleges or Universities there were no ragging or misbehaving but was a warm welcome with fun and frolic. But when he come to about sexual harassment done of a lady peon who was widow by a one of the authorities of college was the turning point of the life of Rupali the first year student with some extraordinary power in her to face the ill effect in DU. Rupali a small town girl from Bihar came with a dream to study in DU. But When she started to live in she came to know that her hard work to face the entrance exam and clear it with flying color was all in vain as some student are getting admission on the basics of money power. As the big head professor name Mahajan was giving all his political support to the

opposition parties which were facing each other in election. While Mr. Arjun who was very helpful to the peon and helped Rupali to expose Prof. Mahajan, they started loving each other. According to me a simple girl with such a gusty and extraordinary quality in her biggest thing that I was touched when she got support from her family and friends in such critical time. The way which Arjun and his party selected was unique and widely used by the young generation the power of social media which make the big – gun of DU to take visit to police station and he cost all his power even the party who support him was also broken.

The Mahajan become the Centre of discussion in all the news channels. This incident made Rupali famous in the DU campus. In the meanwhile Arjun and Rupali became closure and became the flourishing love story a hard guy of party in love with simple small town girl. Slowly and steady Rupali became an important party worker who started raising her voice against the evil factors of DU. But my point of view the person like Mahajan who was big – gun in DU and doing such crime shouldn't be hide or neglected by university should take a step against him as they got the first complain. Slowly and steadily time passes and election were coming closure everybody forget about the professor but were busy in politics. Arjun's party came to know about the regional inequalities caused to the north – east Indians through Rupali's music band in which she was a member too. The path started settling down with them with the thoughts of Rupali they got together. I was shocked when I read about caste and regional discrimination in such a big university, get very disgusting feeling that how could this happen in our country. But the condition or situation which came next was just unbelieving on a frosty and dusty night the worst turn which come in life of Arjun and Rupali was after the bail of Mahajan by an advocate he has told his informer to check who was behind all this incident happen with him. He believe that it was Arjun but when he came to know that it was Rupali, he burst out in anger and hatred so they plan something which nobody could believe. They plan to kidnap her, it was not up to kidnap but the horrible thing happen at that cold night was like a night mare for Arjun and Rupali. The kidnappers not only kidnaped her but she was raped like animal the drunken four men rapped her again and again until she was half dead. This was the worst thing happened. It just made me remember the incident of Nirbhaya which happen on 16th December 2012 with a girl, in Delhi. In the same way Rupali was also harassed mentally and physically. She was also hospitalized but couldn't save her life after the critical 72 hours she was dead. It was very tough for Arjun to face Rupali's parents when he first met them. Not only



Rupali's friend but the Delhi was burning in fire in their heart all the girls, boys, men – women everybody was angry with this. This left behind a huge void in Arjun's life. Everything was coming like slides in front of him from the first day while he scared Rupali when she was planting a Tulsi plant until he saw her unconscious body in ICU for the last time. But this was not the end Arjun took a pledge to fight against the system in Rupali's name. This is the only way in which her soul will rest in peace. This incident gave birth to a movement demanding for justice and stringent laws. After three days of her death police nabbed the four accused who admitted that they have raped her and killed her. They confessed quotation from Mahajan was given to do this work. They were not believing that we killed her but how she survived. The Mahajan was again arrested with a non – bail able warrant in an alleged murder case. But this was not all over the media had made a news for which whole country was waiting. It was the beginning of trails in court demanding death penalty as justice. Saloni the roommate of Rupali was heartbroken and she denied to live in hostel and she left.

Arjun had sleepless nights and he cried for Rupali. One night something came in his mind at 4:00 a.m., he was reading all the SMS which was sent by Rupali he remembered about the Rupali's Tulsi plant. He brought that plant to his house from the hostel ground. He recalls her words " This plant is a symbol of my dreams I want to take care of it. I want to nurture it". So he started to talk to plant as he was talking to Rupali "He won't let her dream die.....They are his now....."

I think this is how author got the name of the book "your dreams are mine now". But some or the other way you can resemble it with a Bollywood movie with drama, love, hate, politics, kidnap, murder and not the happy end but a new beginning or the other way politics may affect your life in good or bad way. It is up to you how you maintain it. The story tells us to be careful and conscious. What the young author want to convey by this was clearly been messaged but end should be like what about Mahajan? What was the steps university did for this? All should be given. In an all an excellent work by Ravinder Singh a love story with a message that love is endless it is not up to the person but it's of your soul or heart you can forget your love but when you try to fulfill his/her dream it is always a great work done for him/her.