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JURWA -
“Changing Times”





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Democracy is not just about voting every five years. Democracy is our daily thoughts and actions. Democracy is dealing with change.

Democratic politics in Bhutan has come with conflict and division among families and communities. That is why Bhutan's experience with the process of democratisation is challenging. But these are the tensions of change that have to be understood and overcome in the process of political maturity. That is why it is exciting and, ultimately, fulfilling to be able to make a difference to Bhutan's system of governance at this time.

As 18 years is the voting age in Bhutan, every teenager should begin to discuss and think about what this responsibility called Democracy is all about.

Jurwa - Changing Times in Gakithang - is a graphic novel based on a radio soap series that BCMD created to reflect the stories of a cross section of people who were at the forefront of democratic change. BCMD worked with political candidates, government officials, youth, and citizens who shared their experiences, their concerns, and their aspirations for Bhutan's evolving system of governance.

These are captured in the story of how democracy came to the village of Gakithang.

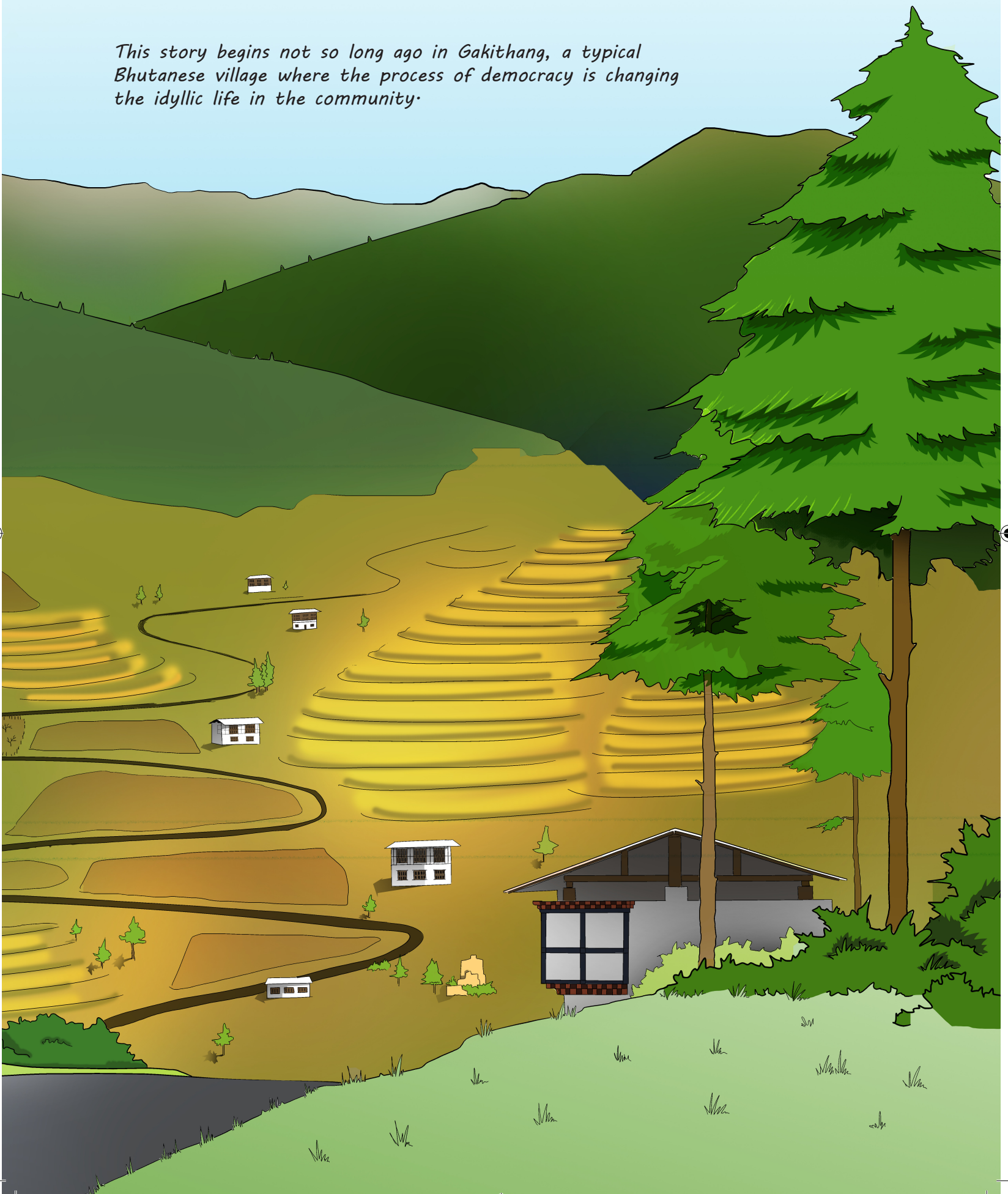
This is the story of Bhutan, in contemporary times. As responsible citizens, we want to ensure the success of this path that we have chosen, towards good governance. We urge you to continue discussing our democracy and welcome your feedback... mail us at bcmd@bcmd.bt.

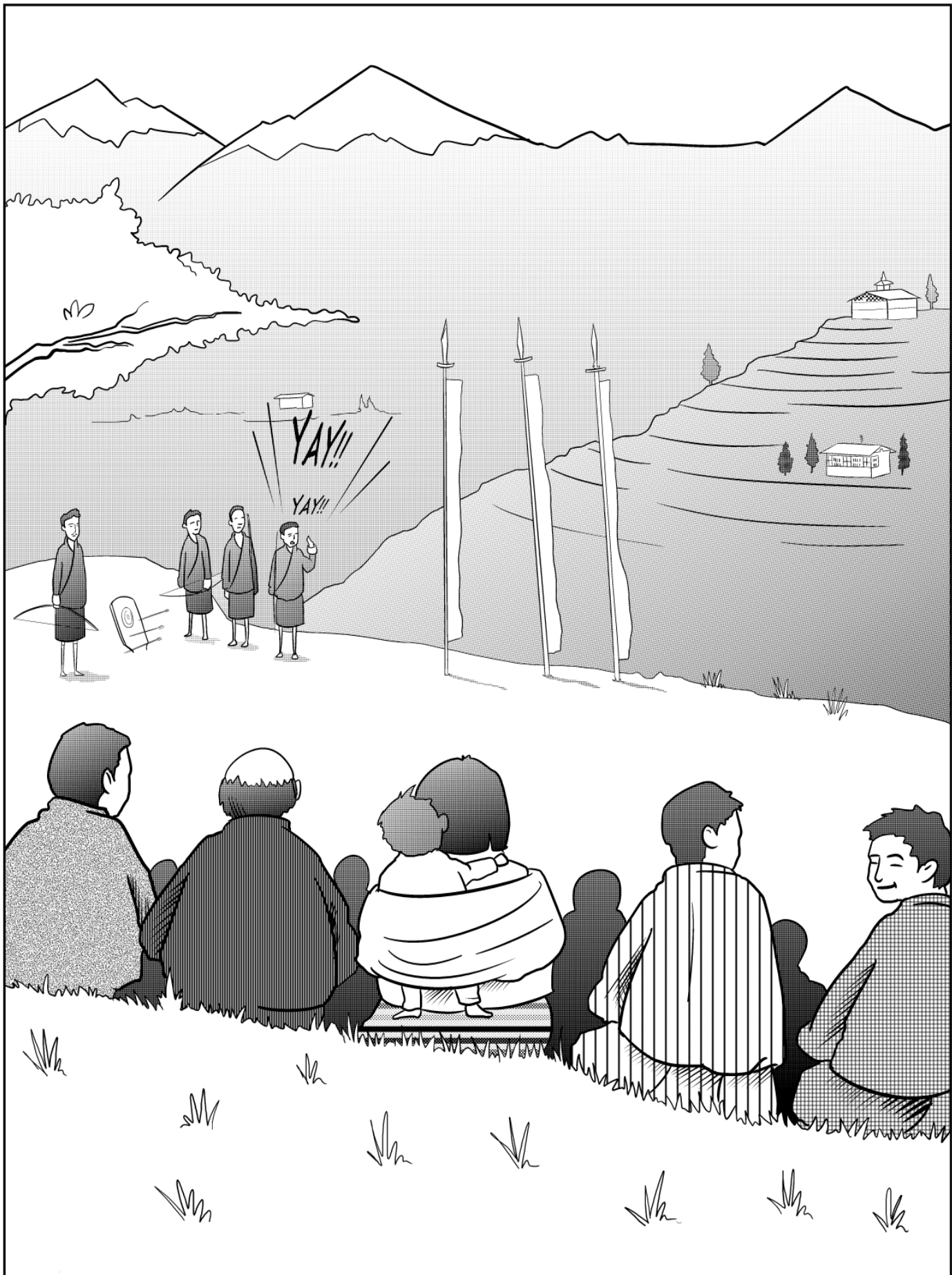


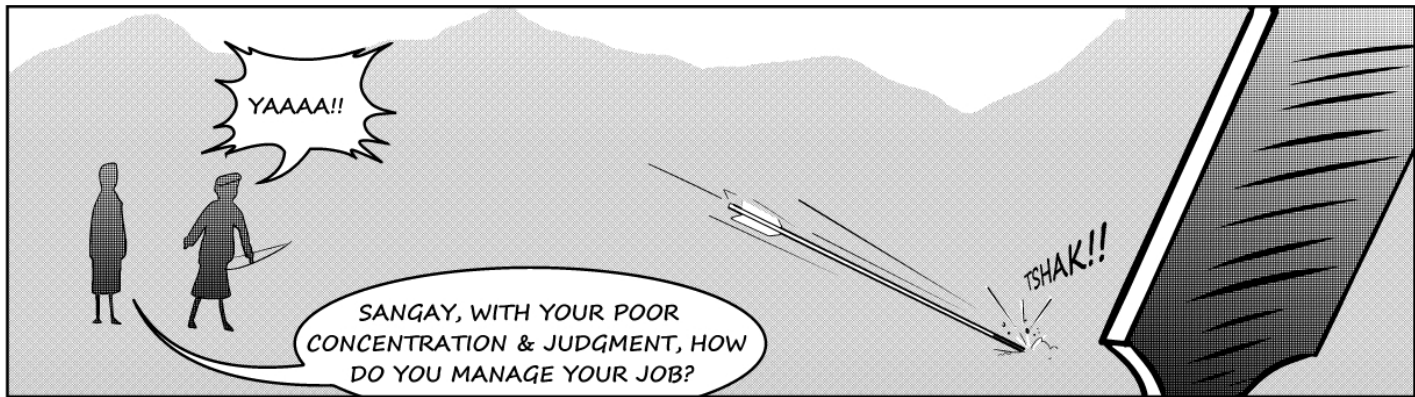


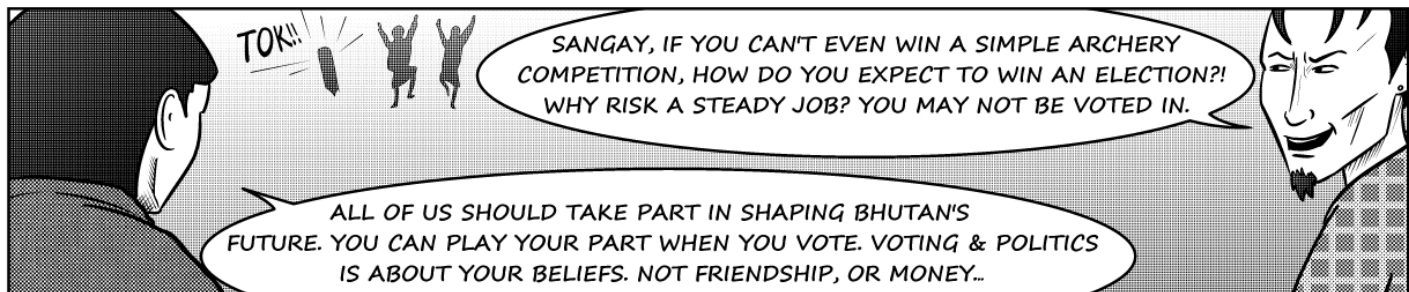
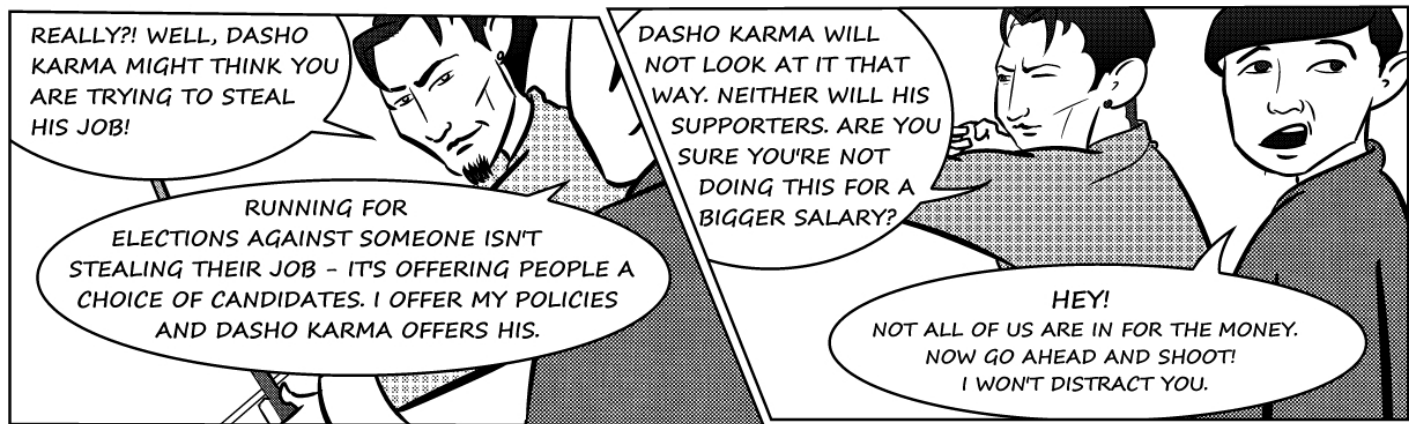


This story begins not so long ago in Gakithang, a typical Bhutanese village where the process of democracy is changing the idyllic life in the community.

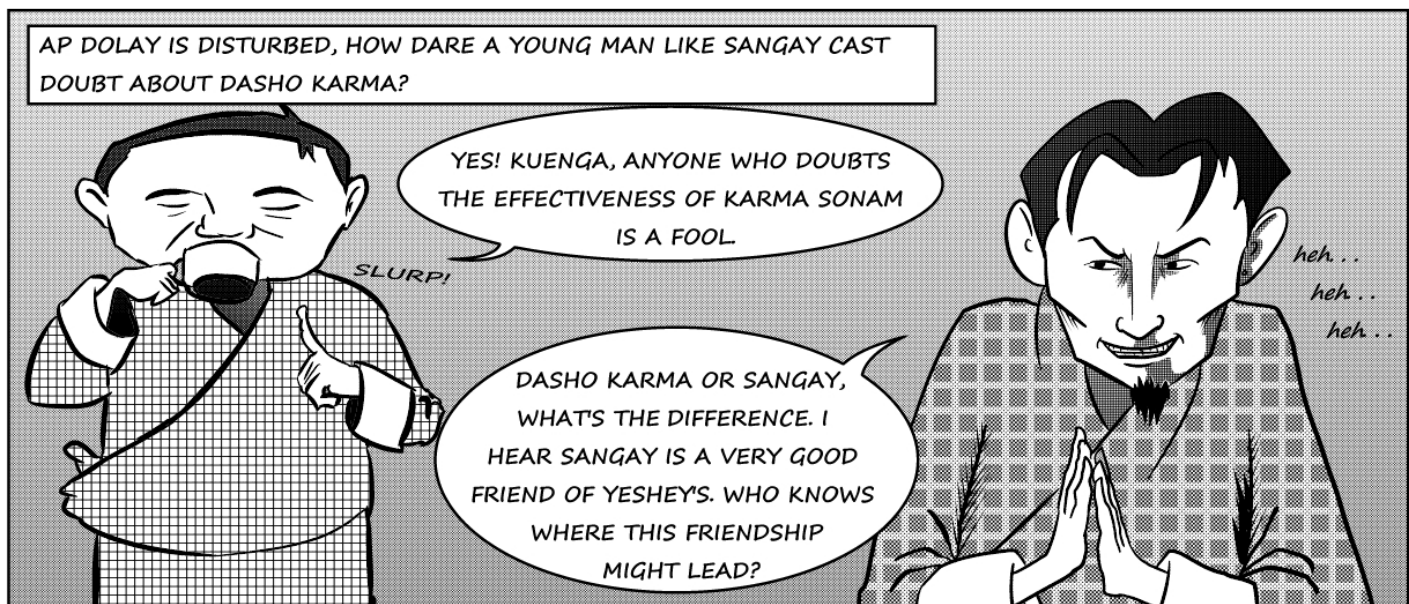














YESHEY MAKES EXCUSES ABOUT GUARDING THE CROPS FROM THE WILD ANIMALS IN THE FIELD JUST TO MEET SANGAY.

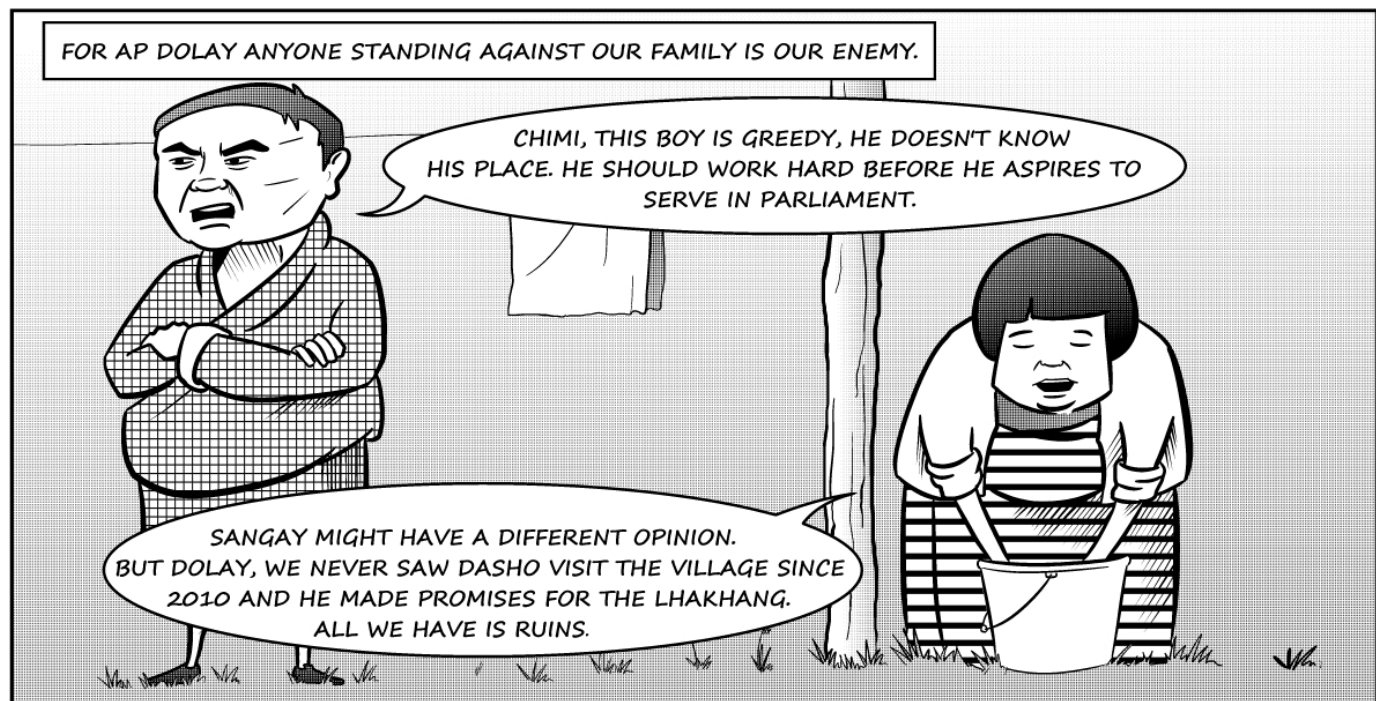


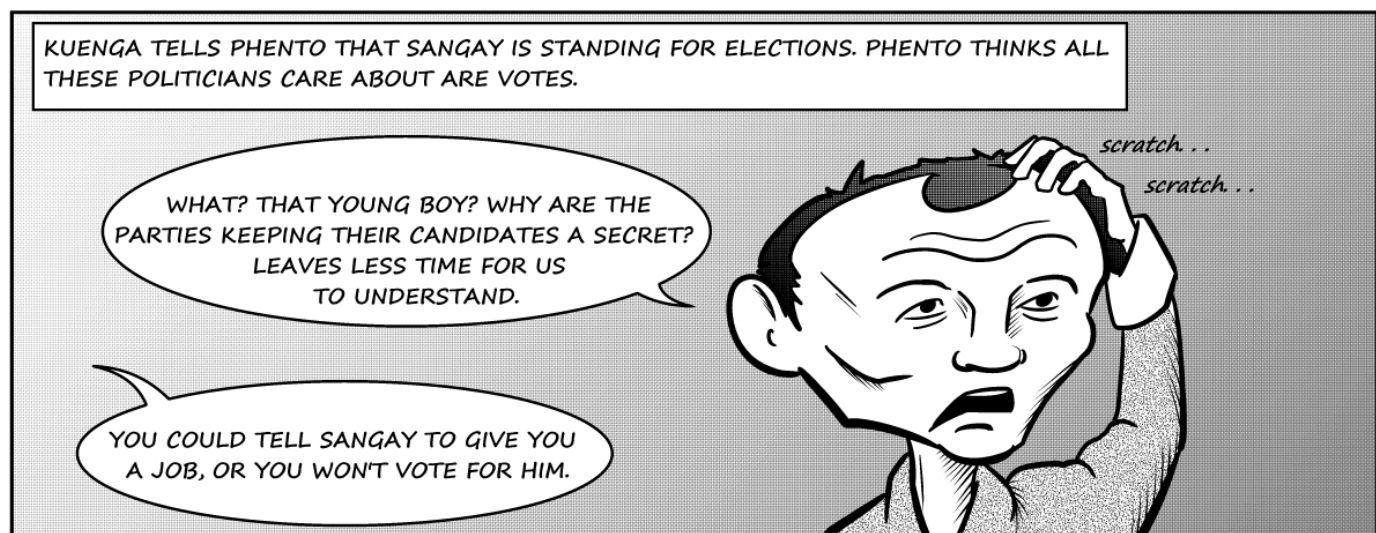
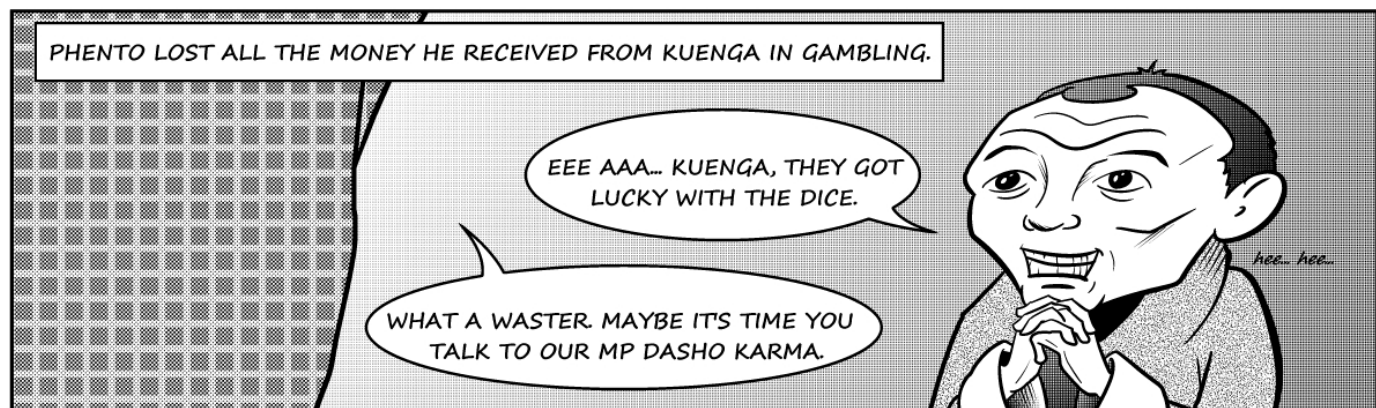
WHY WOULD YOU EVEN STAND FOR ELECTIONS? LOOK AT THE FAMILY TENSIONS FROM THE LAST ELECTION. SOME PEOPLE ARE STILL NOT TALKING TO FAMILY MEMBERS BECAUSE THEY VOTED FOR DIFFERENT PARTIES. DASHO KARMA IS APA'S FIRST COUSIN, AND APA WILL NOT BE HAPPY WHEN HE HEARS ABOUT THIS.



SANGAY TELLS YESHEY HE WANTS TO SERVE THE COUNTRY BY CONTRIBUTING HIS SHARE AND CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE.





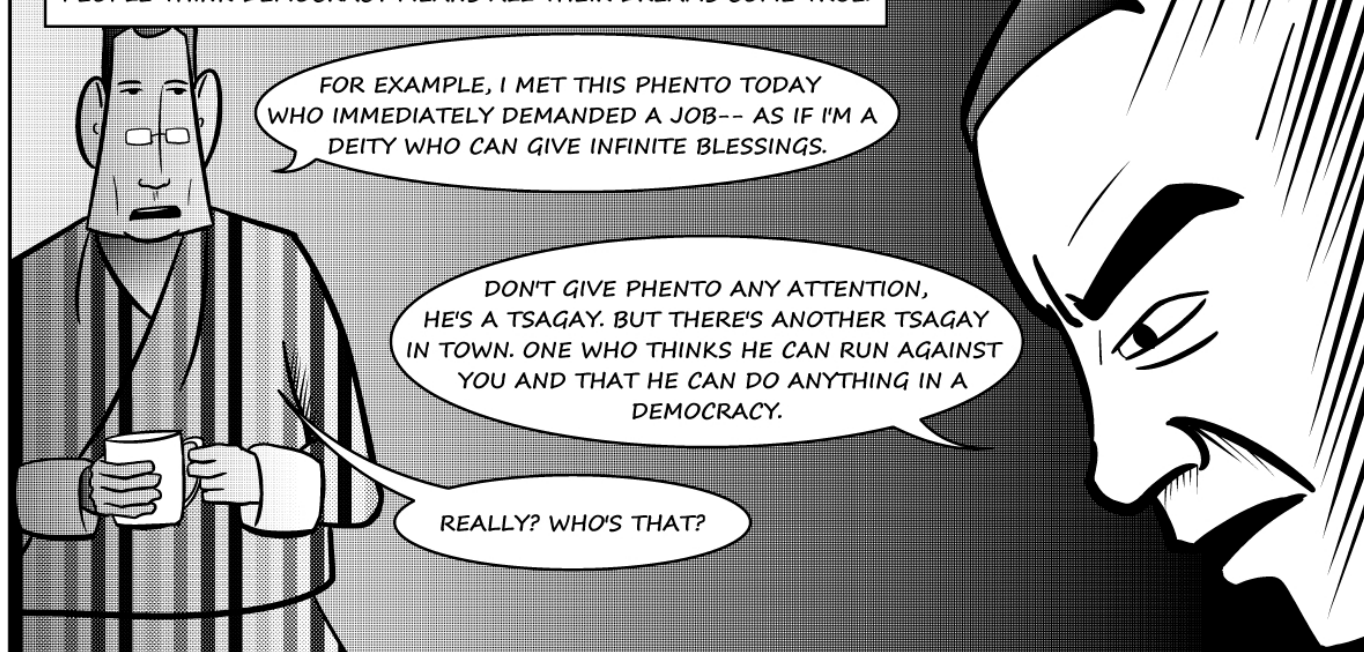




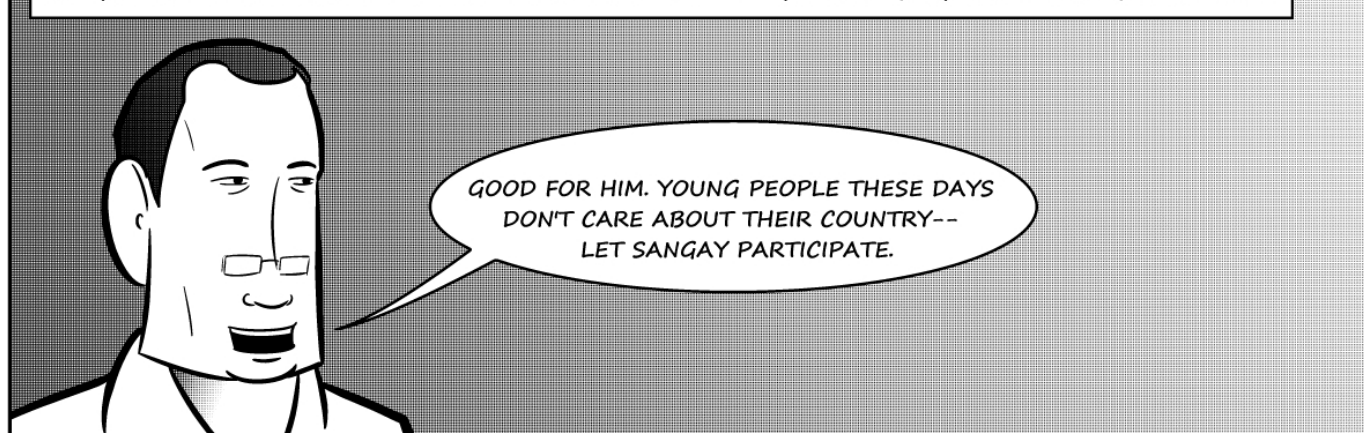
DASHO KARMA IS READY TO RETIRE FROM HIS JOB. AP DOLAY ONLY HAS PRAISES FOR DASHO'S CONTRIBUTION TO THE GEWOQ.



PEOPLE THINK DEMOCRACY MEANS ALL THEIR DREAMS COME TRUE.



SANGAY WAS DASHO KARMA'S STUDENT AND HE KNOWS SANGAY AS A BRIGHT AND CAPABLE STUDENT.





OVER AT AUM CHIMI'S HOUSEHOLD. YESHEY AND AUM CHIMI ARE TALKING ABOUT HOW KUENGA TALKED TO AP DOLAY ABOUT YESHEY AND SANGAY.



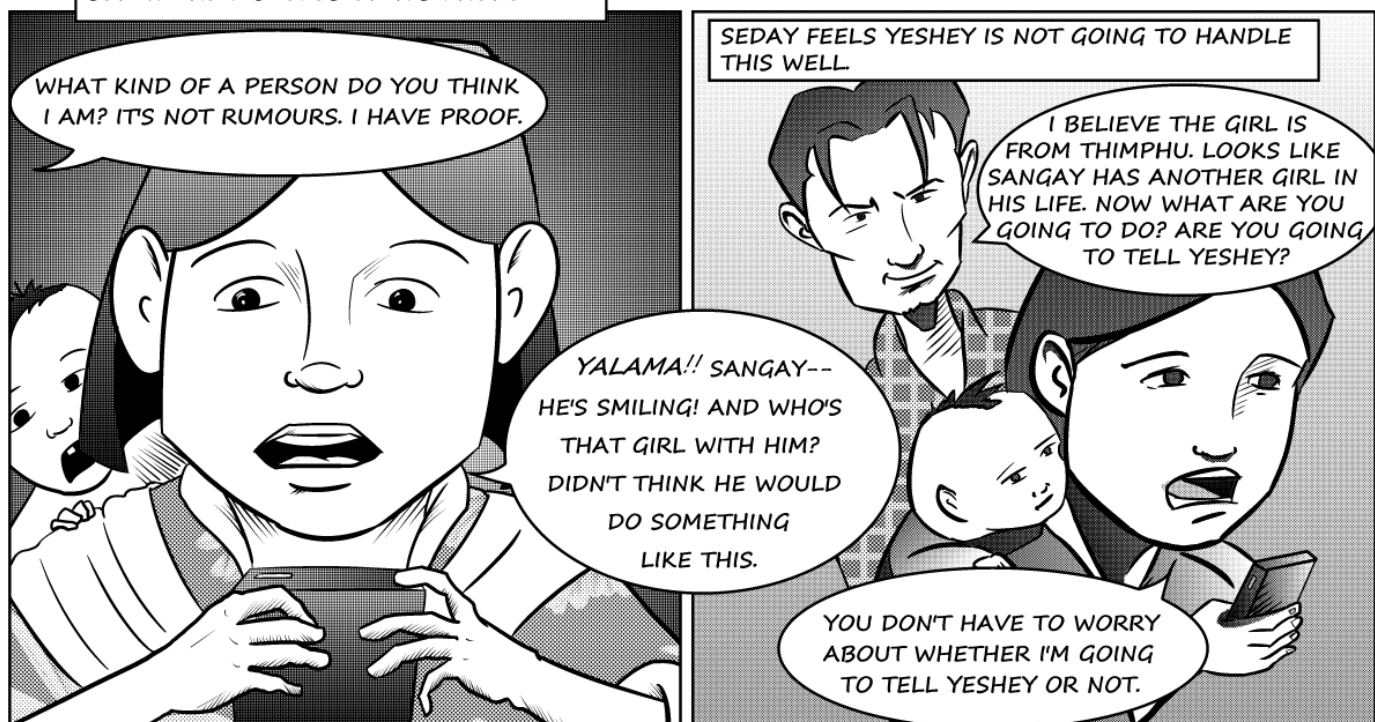
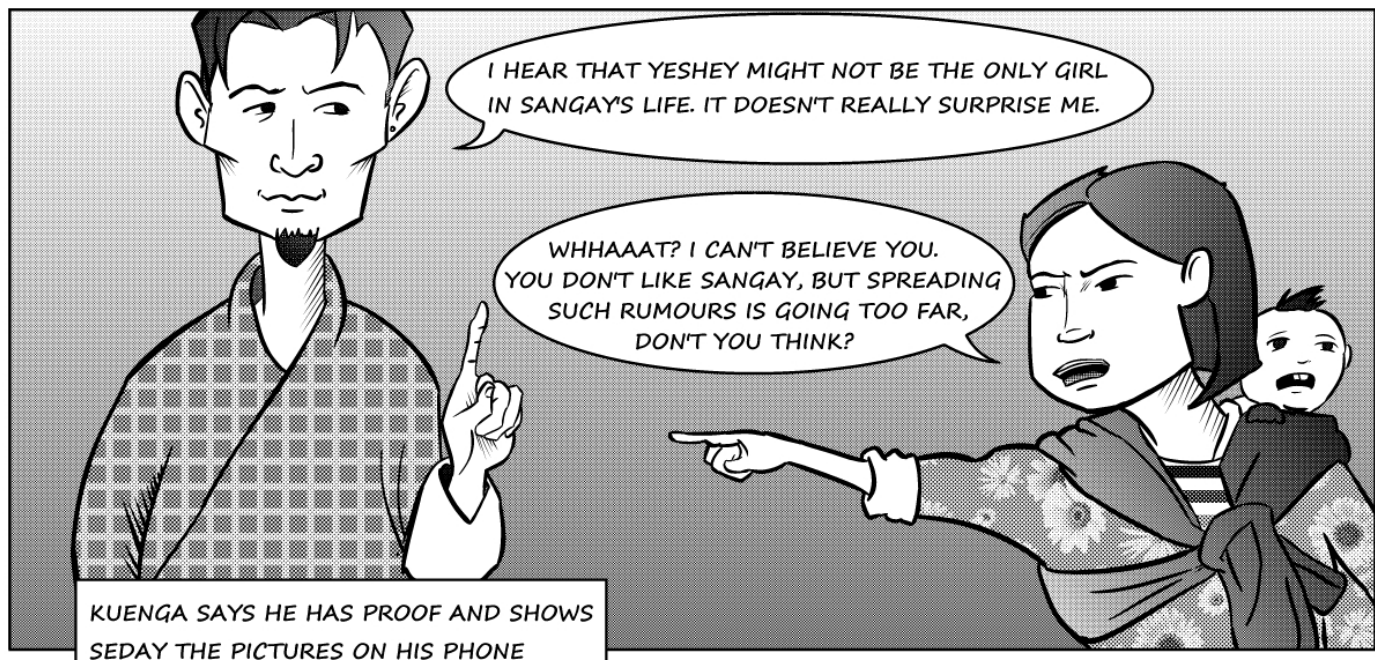
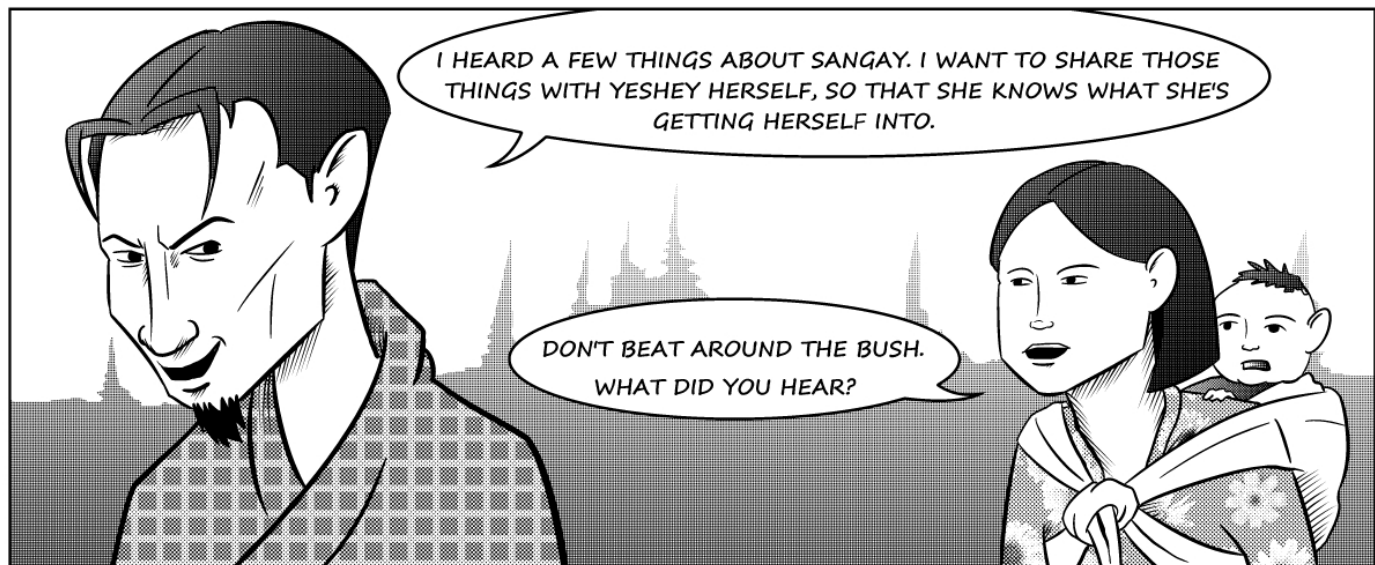


SANGAY SAYS IT IS ABOUT GIVING CHOICES OF CANDIDATES AND THAT HE HOPES AP DOLAY WILL UNDERSTAND.







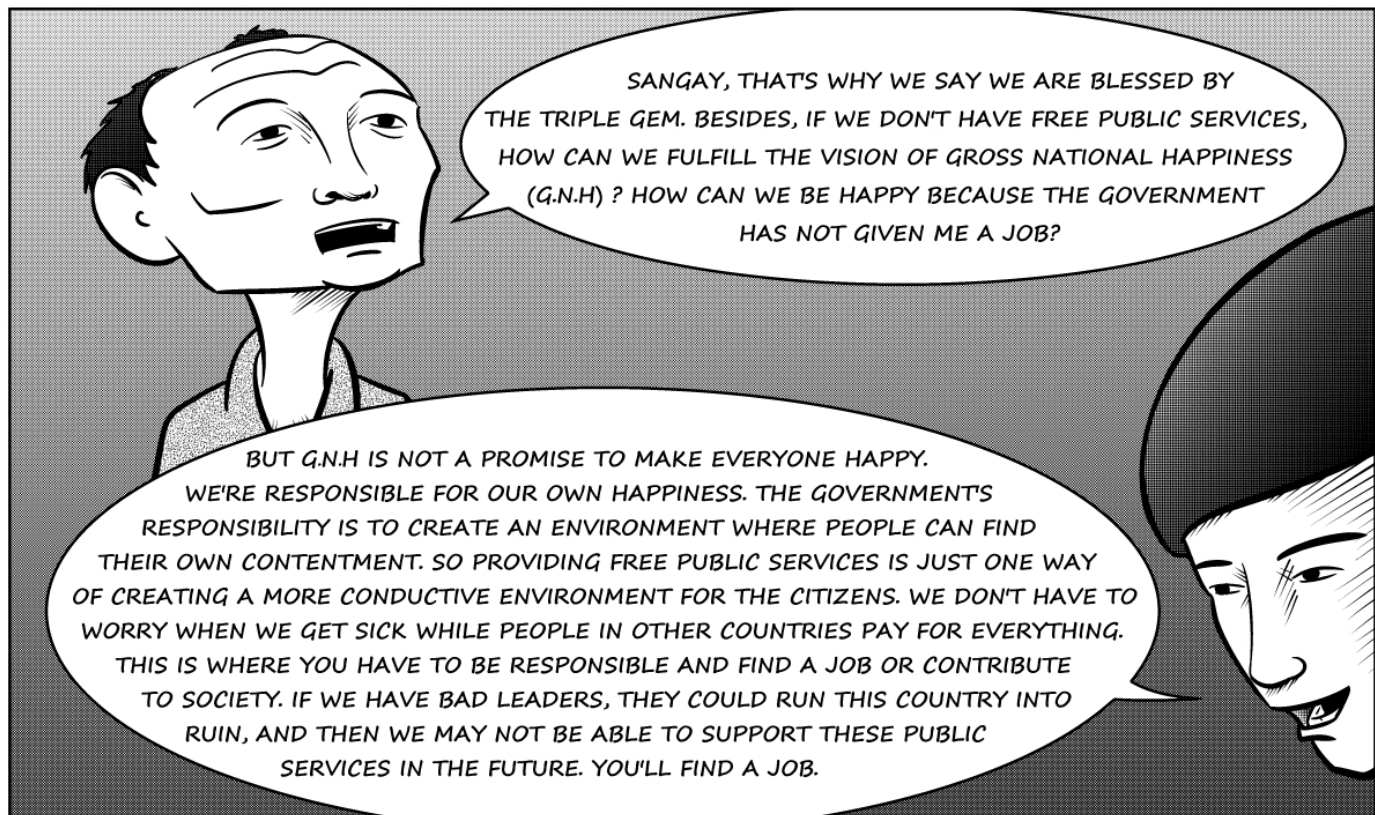


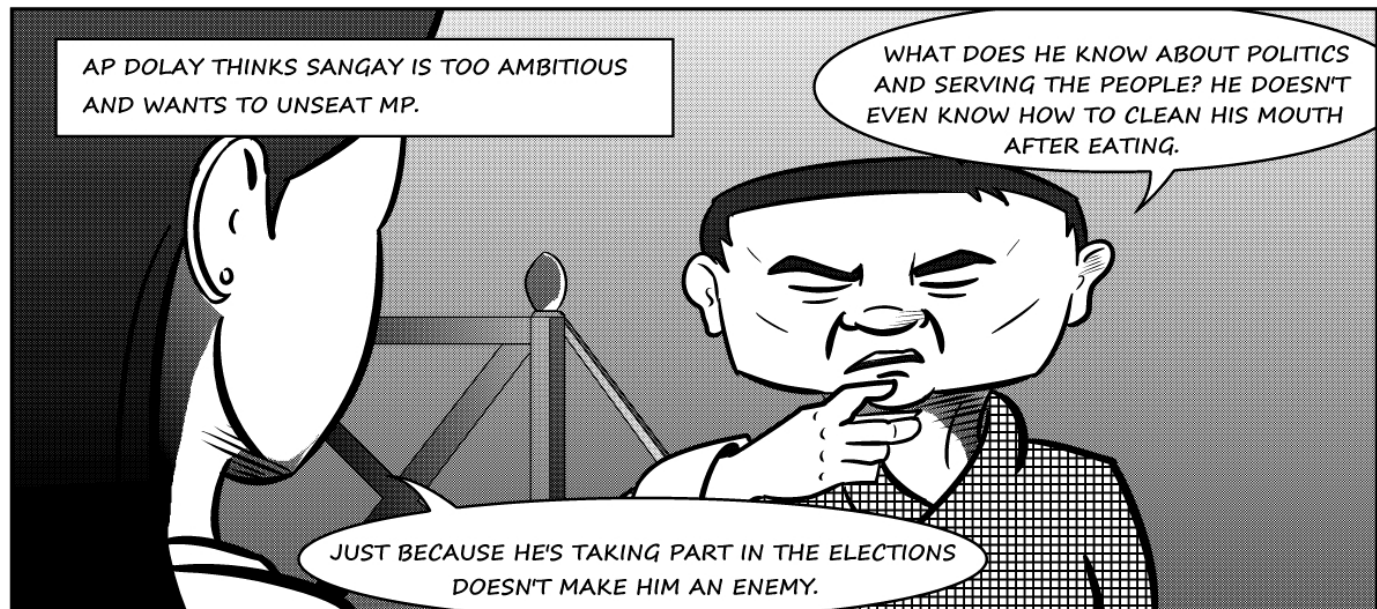


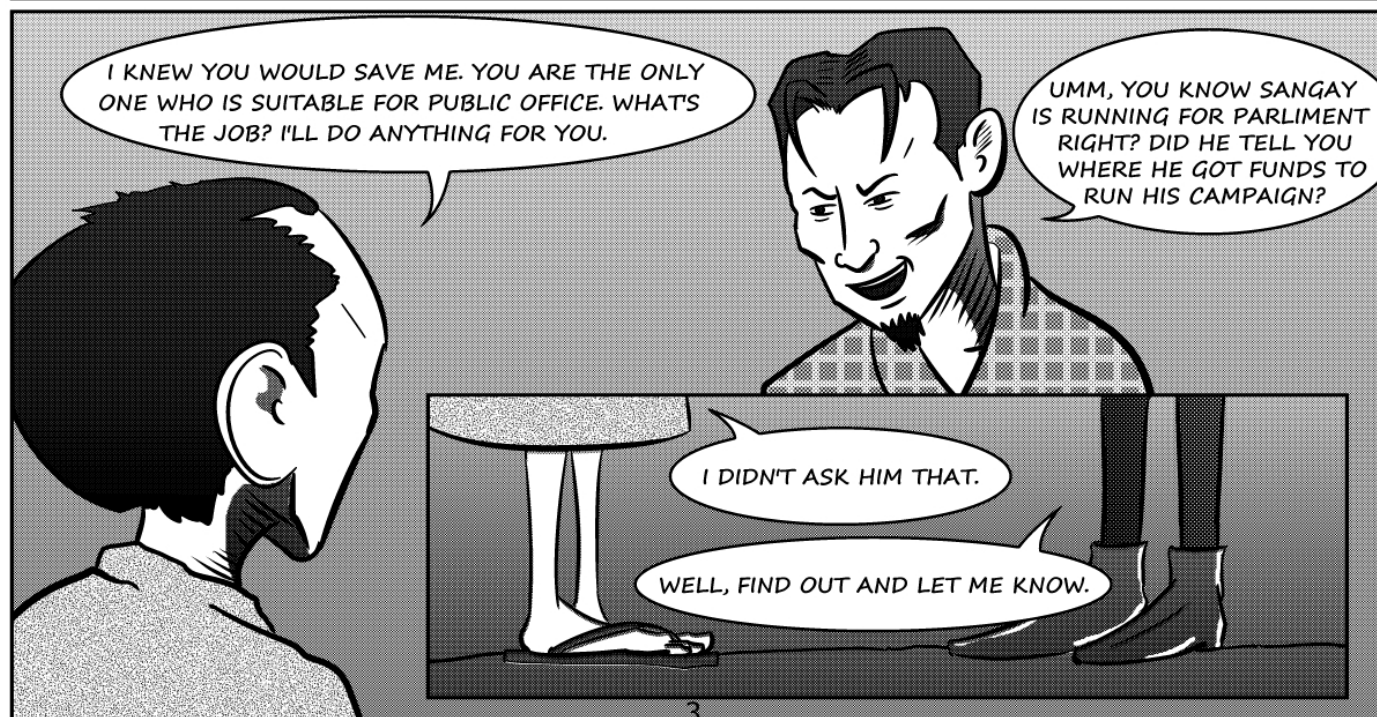
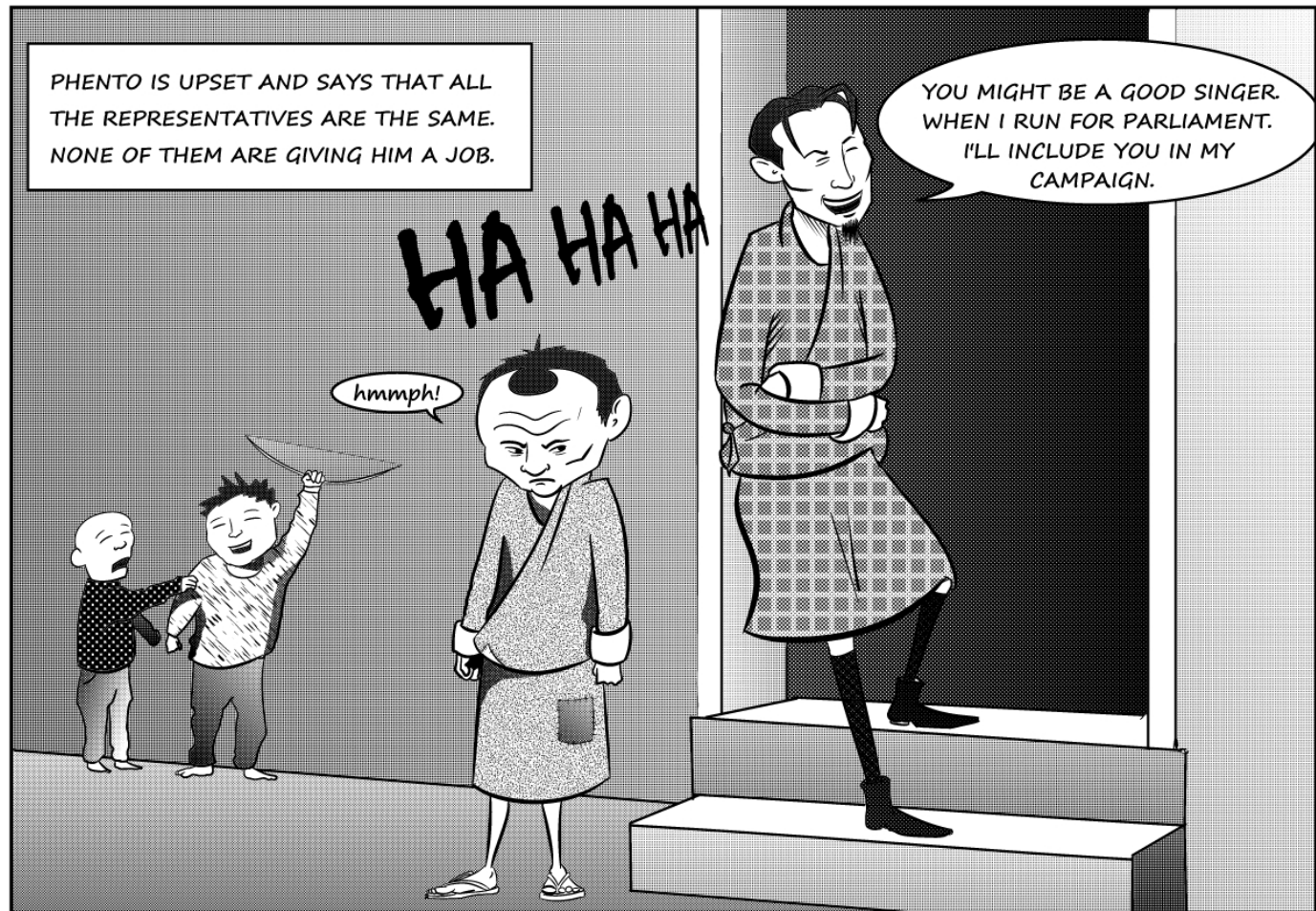
KUEANGA EXPLAINS WHAT FACEBOOK IS AND HOW A LOT OF PEOPLE UPLOAD PICTURES ONLINE WHERE EVERYONE CAN SEE IT.













SANGAY MENTIONS HIS INTENTIONS OF PARTICIPATING IN THE COMING ELECTIONS TO THE GUP.

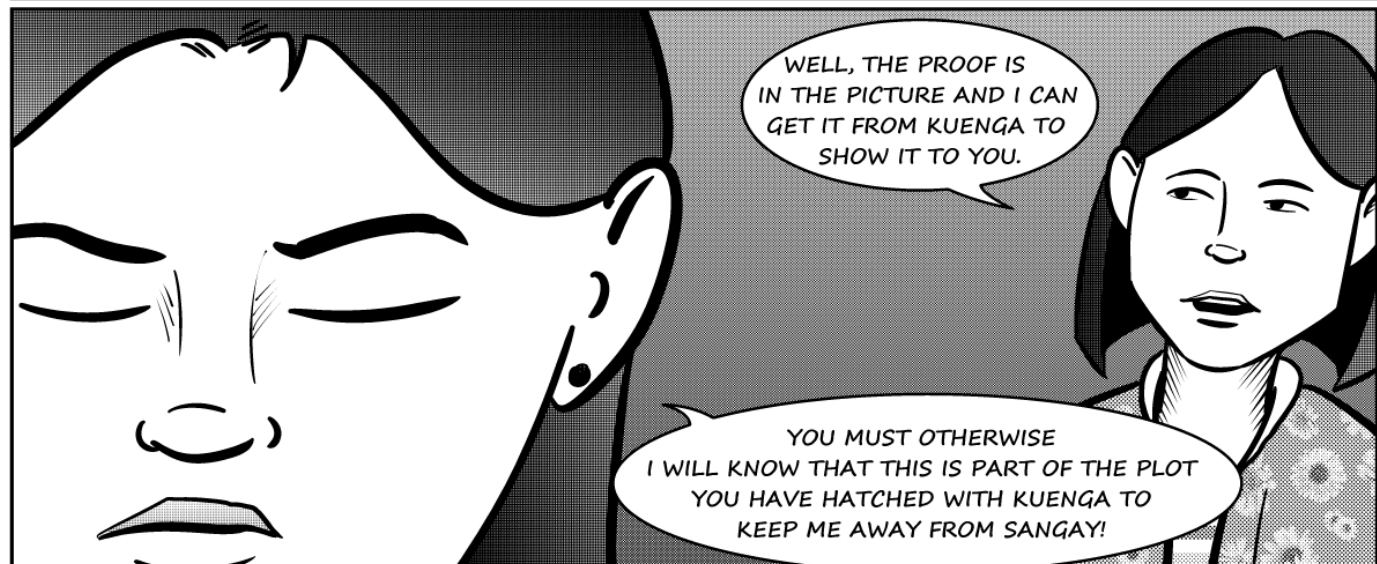
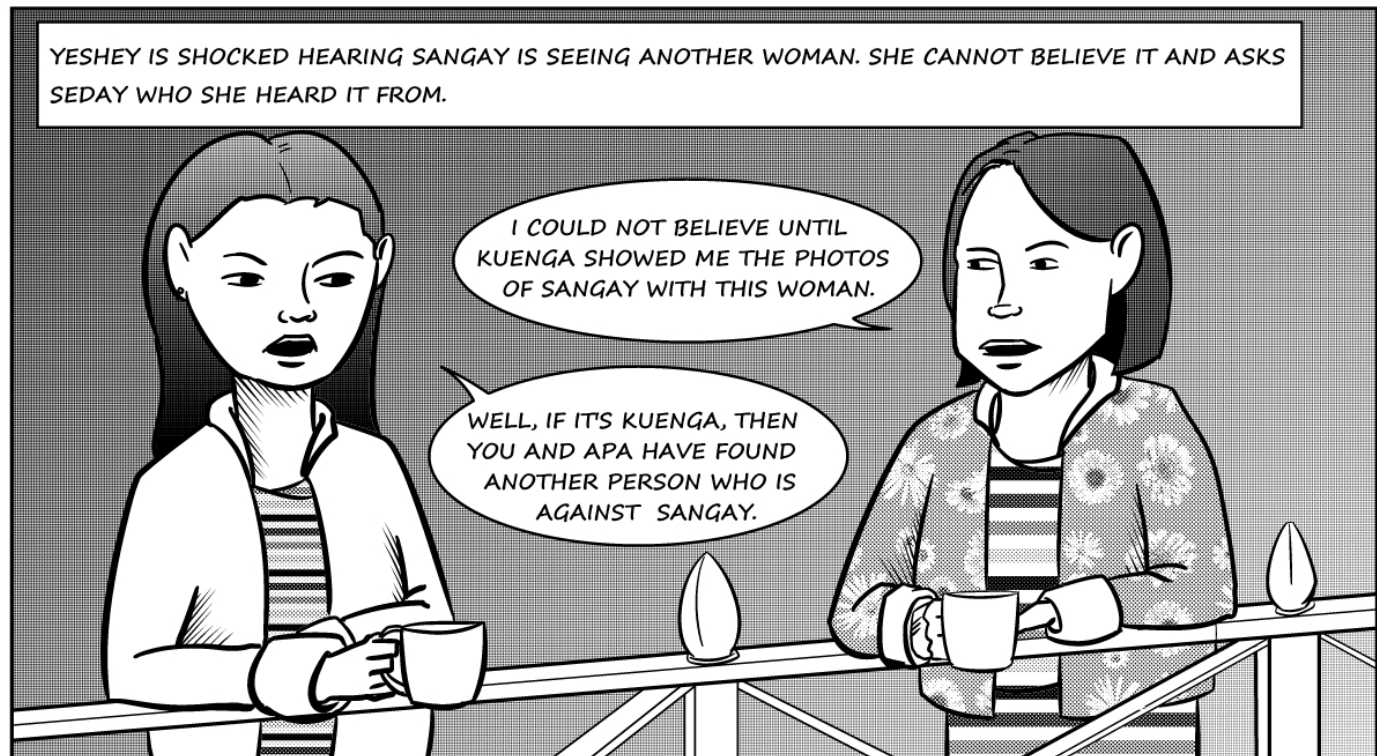
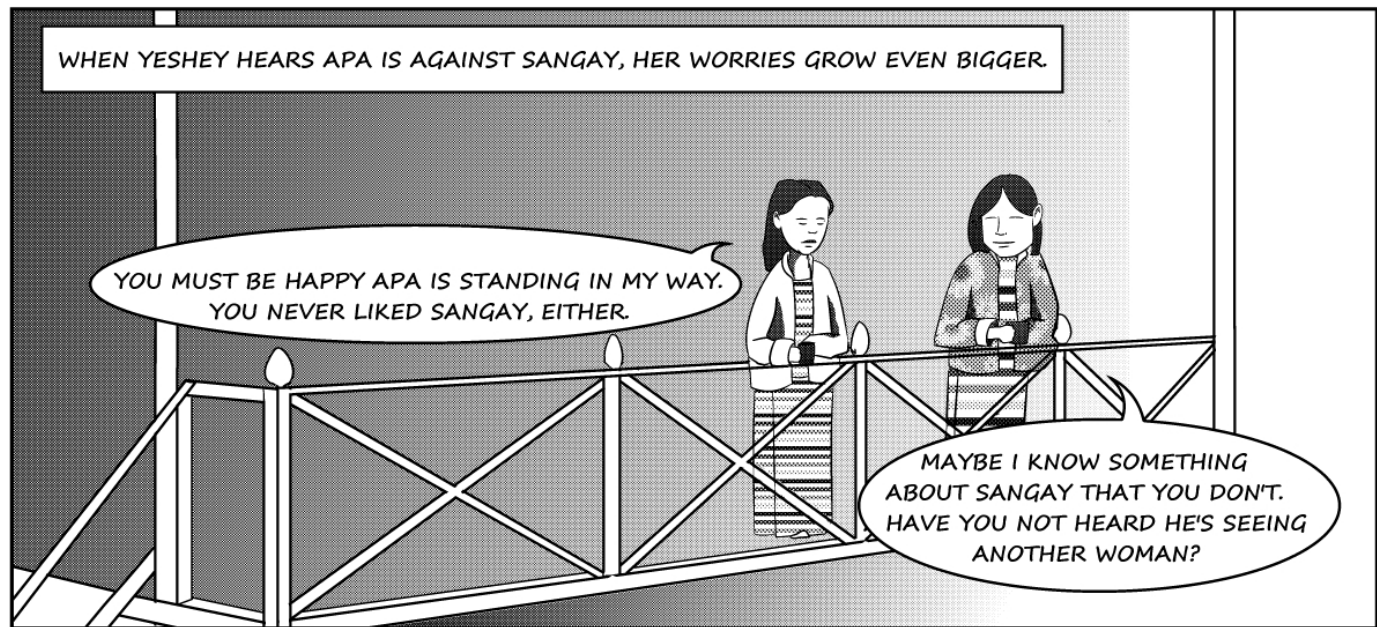
OHH GOOD. YOU GUYS SHOULD REPRESENT OUR VILLAGE. BUT WHAT WILL YOU OFFER THE PEOPLE? HOW WOULD YOU HELP THE VILLAGE MOVE AHEAD IF YOU ARE ELECTED?



WELL, I THOUGHT I'D INCLUDE THE VIEWS OF OUR YOUTH, SINCE OUR PERSPECTIVES MATTER! THE YOUNGER GENERATION NEEDS TO FIND WAYS TO UNDERSTAND THE RURAL COMMUNITY BETTER, SO I'M THINKING OF INTRODUCING A KIND OF NATIONAL SERVICE PROGRAMME WHERE YOUTHS ARE PLACED AS INTERNS THROUGHOUT BHUTAN TO ASSIST IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF OUR COUNTRY. I'LL ALSO CONSULT ALL THE ELDERS TO LEARN FROM THEIR WISDOM AND TO SEE WHAT CHANGES ARE NEEDED.

SOUNDS LIKE GOOD IDEAS. GOOD LUCK AND GO AHEAD WITH IT.





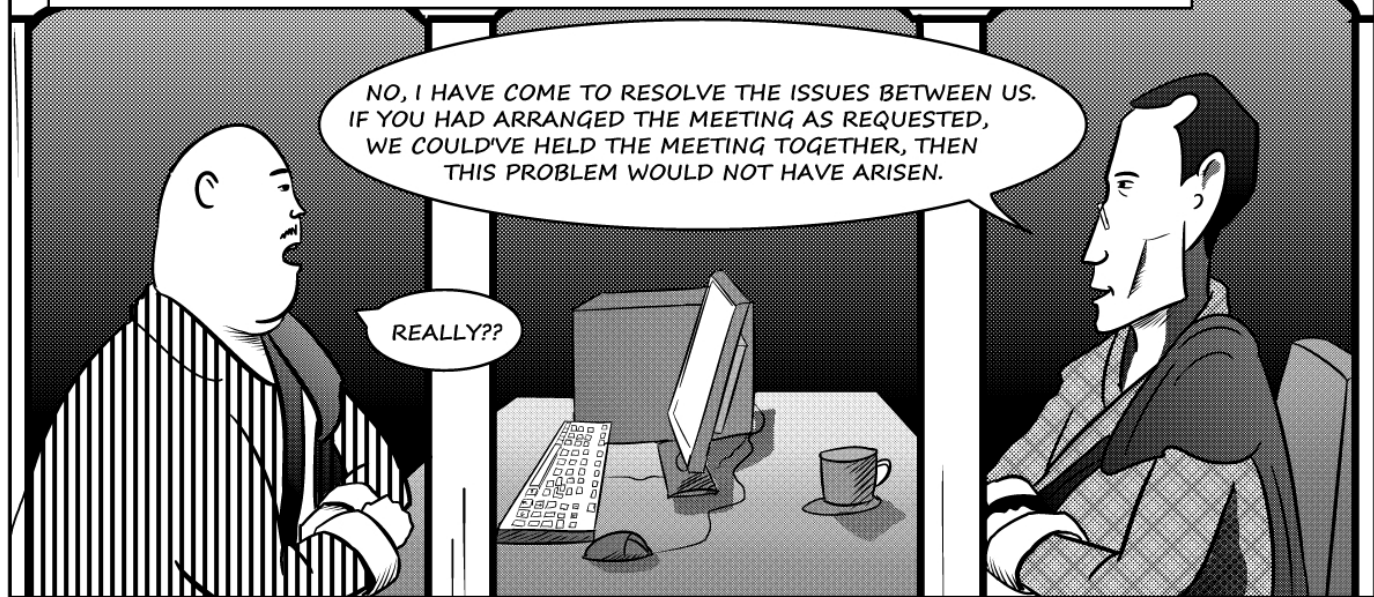


YESHEY IS ANGRY WITH SANGAY HAVING BEEN TOLD OF THE PICTURES OF HIM WITH ANOTHER WOMAN.

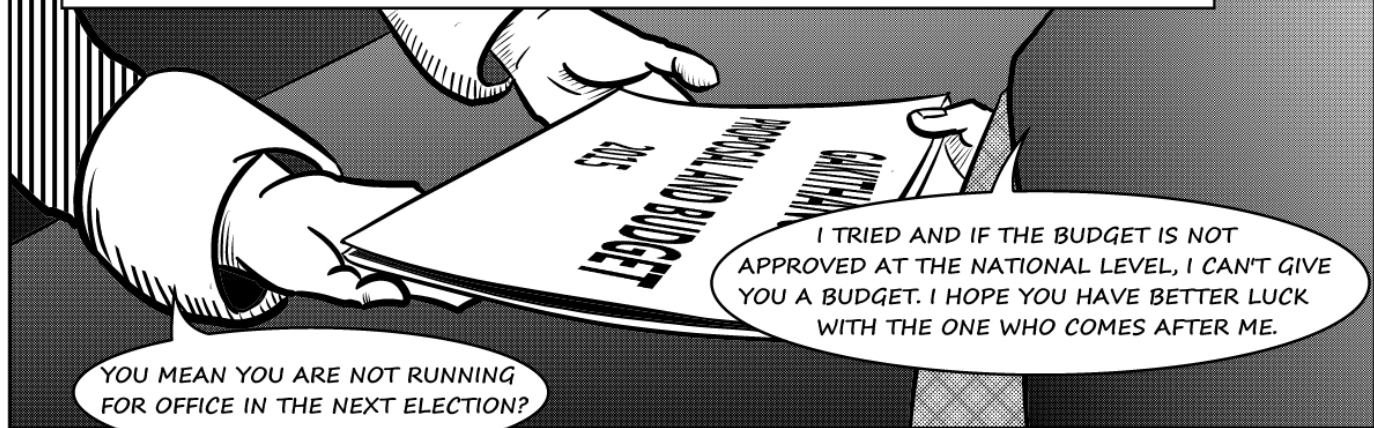


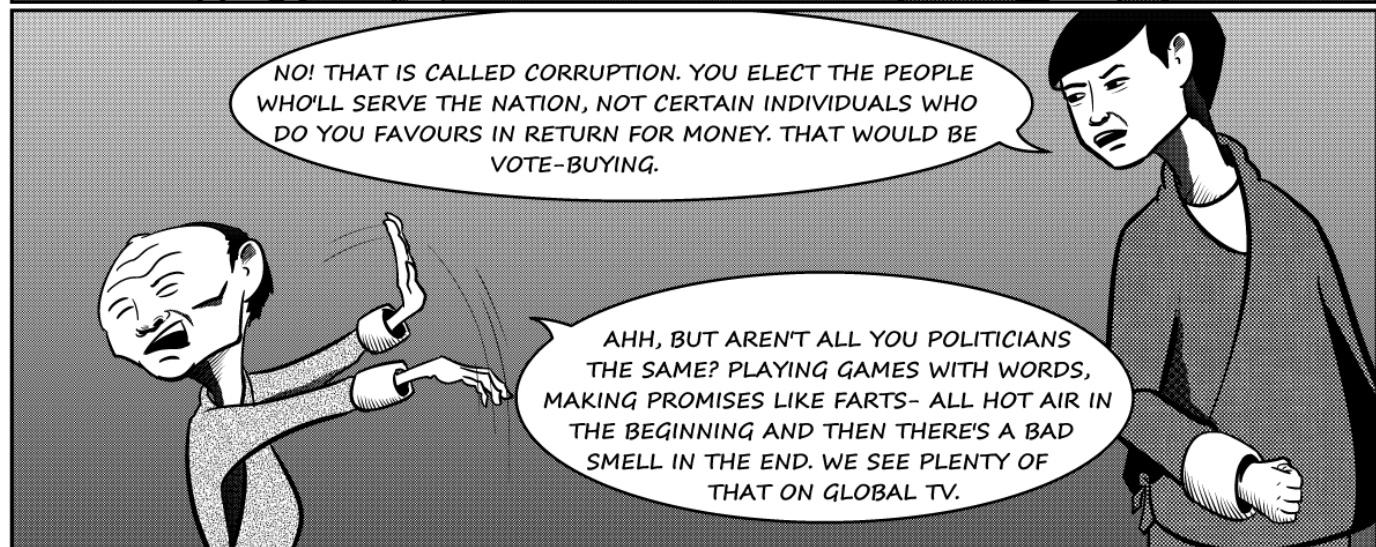
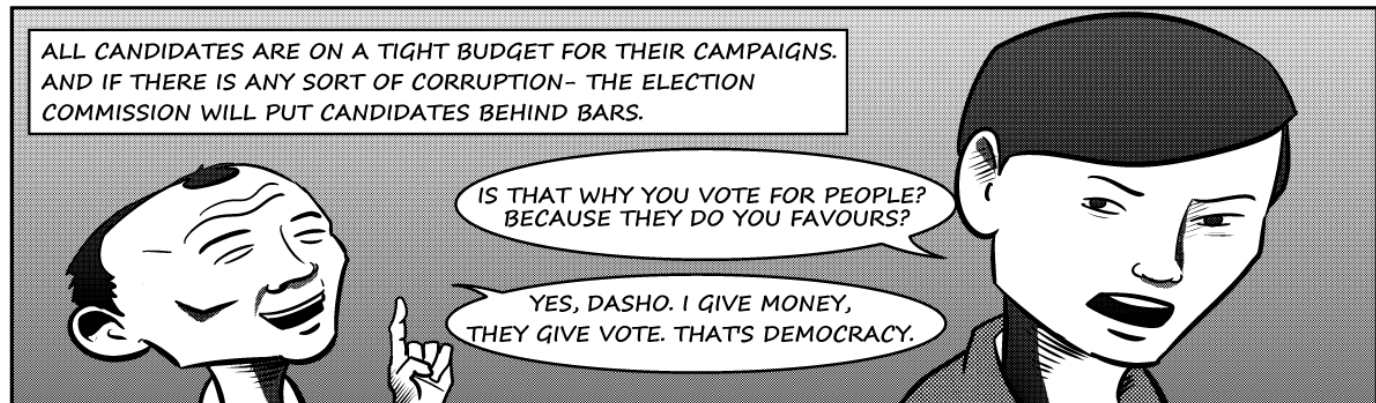


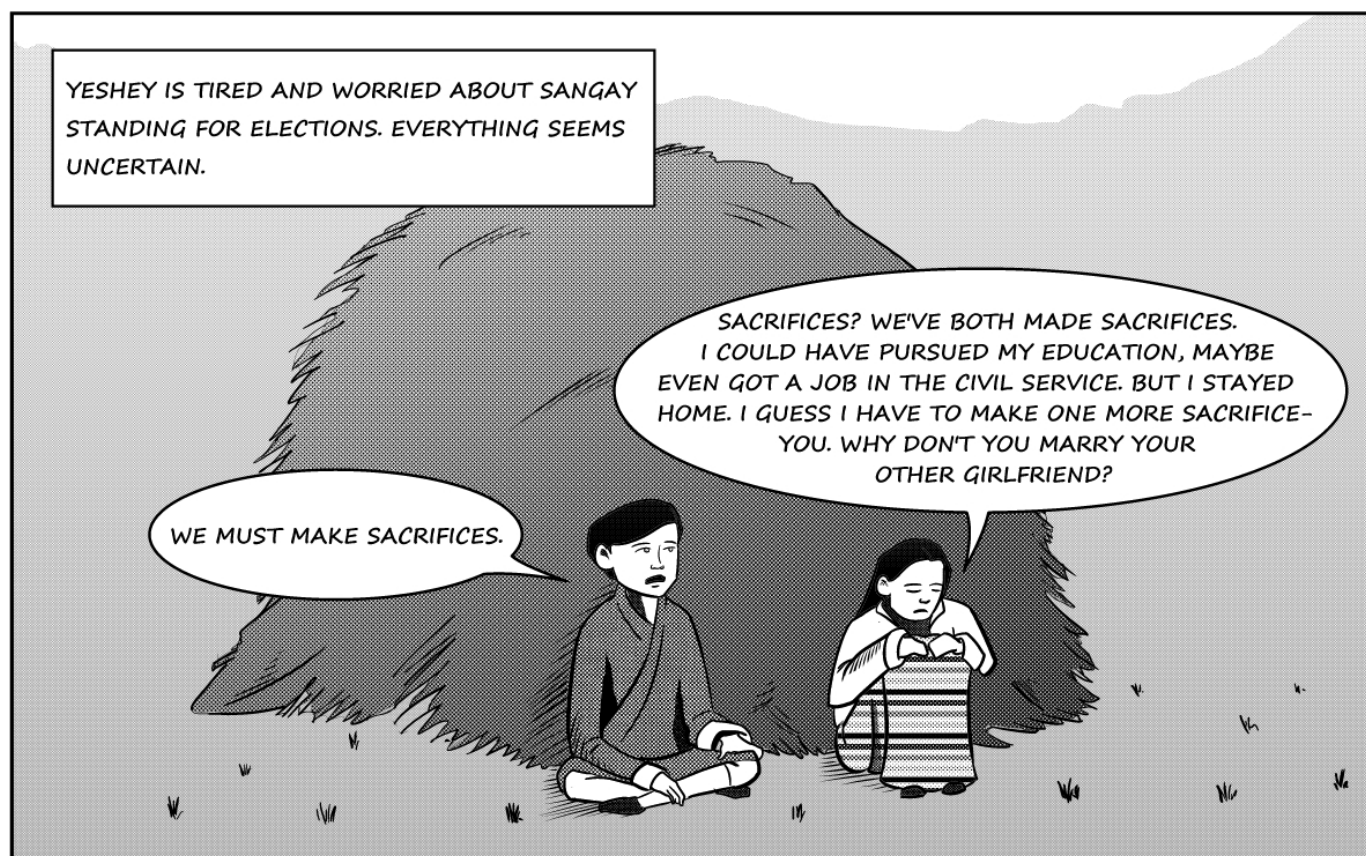
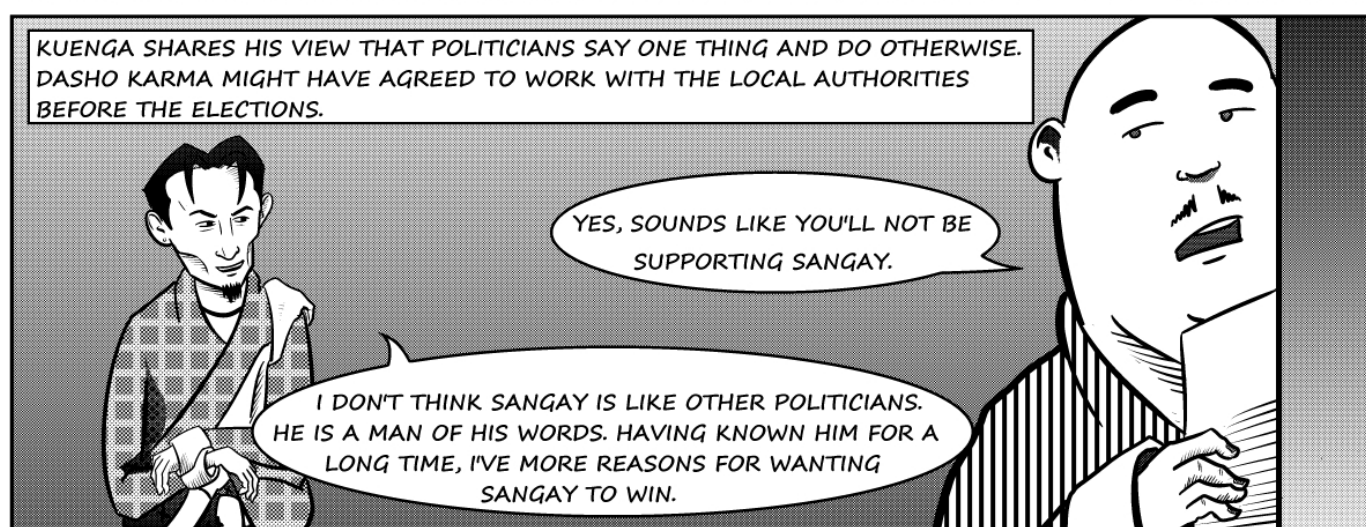
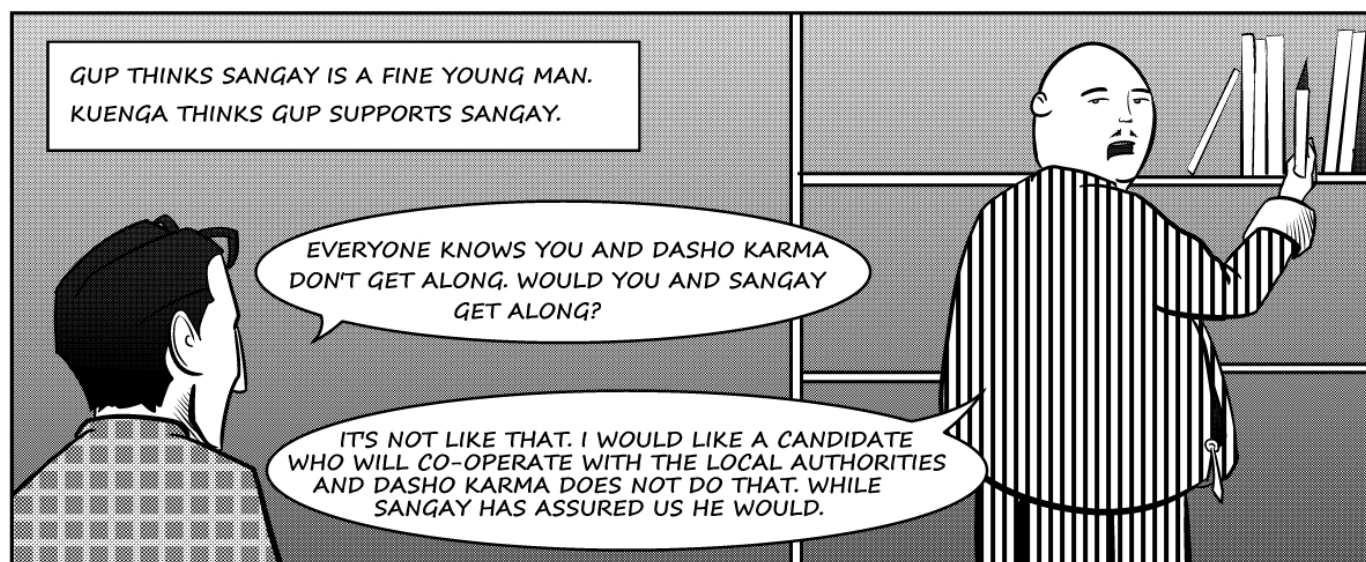
GUP ASKS DASHO KARMA IF HE HAS COME TO ASK FOR SUPPORT SINCE THE ELECTIONS ARE APPROACHING.



GUP TELLS DASHO KARMA THEY NEED MORE MONEY TO BUILD THE BRIDGE. OTHERWISE THE VILLAGE WILL FACE PROBLEMS DURING THE MONSOON.









YESHEY FEELS BETRAYED BY SANGAY. SHE DOES NOT WANT TO SEE SANGAY ANYMORE.



YESHEY!!
HOW CAN YOU BELIEVE
THIS? TRUST ME, THESE PICTURES HAVE
BEEN MANIPULATED ON THE COMPUTER.
DON'T YOU REMEMBER WE USED TO MAKE
FUNNY PICTURES OF OURSELVES FOR A LAUGH?
WHY DON'T YOU HAVE MORE FAITH IN ME?
CAN'T YOU SEE SOMEONE IS TRYING TO BREAK
US UP? KUENGA IS SPREADING THESE
RUMOURS SO THAT YOU CHOOSE
HIM OVER ME.





PHENTO AND KUENGA ARE ON THEIR WAY TO THE GUP'S ANNUAL CHHOKOE (PRAYERS)

♪♪... ALL GOOD PEOPLE SHOULD THANK THE DEITIES FOR LEADING US TO THE GUP'S HOUSE FOR SOME ARA AND THE BEST EMA DATSHI. ♪♪
BUT BEFORE WE GET TO THE CHHOKOE, WHY ARE DASHO KARMA'S ZOMDUE GETTING CANCELLED? WHAT'S THE PROBLEM? I KNEW DASHO KARMA WAS NOT A GOOD DASHO.

EXACTLY, DASHO HAS NOT FULFILLED HIS PROMISES. NOW WITH THE UPCOMING ELECTIONS ON IT'S WAY, HE IS TRYING TO GET SUPPORT FROM THE VILLAGE.

DASHO KARMA'S ZOMDUES WERE CANCELLED BECAUSE I TOLD THE GUP THAT OUR MP CANCELLED HIS VISIT. GUP WAS ANGRY BECAUSE HE PUT ASIDE HIS OTHER WORK TO ORGANISE THE ZOMDUE. AND SO THE GUP SENT WORD THAT THE MEETING WAS CANCELLED.

YOU DO THINGS VERY QUIETLY. BECAUSE OF WHAT YOU DID, OUR VILLAGERS ARE NOW NOT IN FAVOUR OF OUR MP. WEI, YOU'RE A SCARY PERSON.

KUENGA WARNS PHENTO, NOT TO TELL ANYONE, ESPECIALLY AP DOLAY. IF AP DOLAY HEARS THIS, HE WOULD NOT WANT TO BE BUSINESS PARTNERS AND ALL PLANS WILL GO DOWN THE DRAIN.

NOW, LOOKS LIKE YOU'VE A BIG CHANCE TO MAKE YOUR LOVE LIFE WORK. IS IT A FULL-PROOF PLAN?

Shhhh... WE ARE AT THE GUP'S HOUSE. STOP THIS CONVERSATION FOR NOW.

Mmm... I'M GOING TO EAT RICE AND PAA WITH LOTS OF ARA, WHAT A GREAT COMBINATION.

♪♪ soo... ya la ♪♪







GUP AND SANGAY DISCUSS SANGAY'S STEPS TOWARDS STANDING FOR ELECTIONS.

I JUST HAVE FEW FORMALITIES BEFORE I REGISTER WITH A PARTY AND THE ELECTION COMMISSION OF BHUTAN (E.C.B). HOW ABOUT YOUR WORK AZHA GUP?

GOOD, GOOD. AS HEAD OF THE VILLAGE, I SHOULD STAY "APOLITICAL". AND MY MAIN DUTY IS TO WORK TO BENEFIT OUR SOCIETY, AND ESPECIALLY MY GEWOG.

GUP THINKS DASHO KARMA IS NOT FULFILLING HIS DUTIES TO THE VILLAGE.

YOU'RE DOING A GOOD JOB. OUR PEOPLE SHOULD BE THANKFUL FOR YOUR DEDICATED AND SINCERE CONTRIBUTIONS.

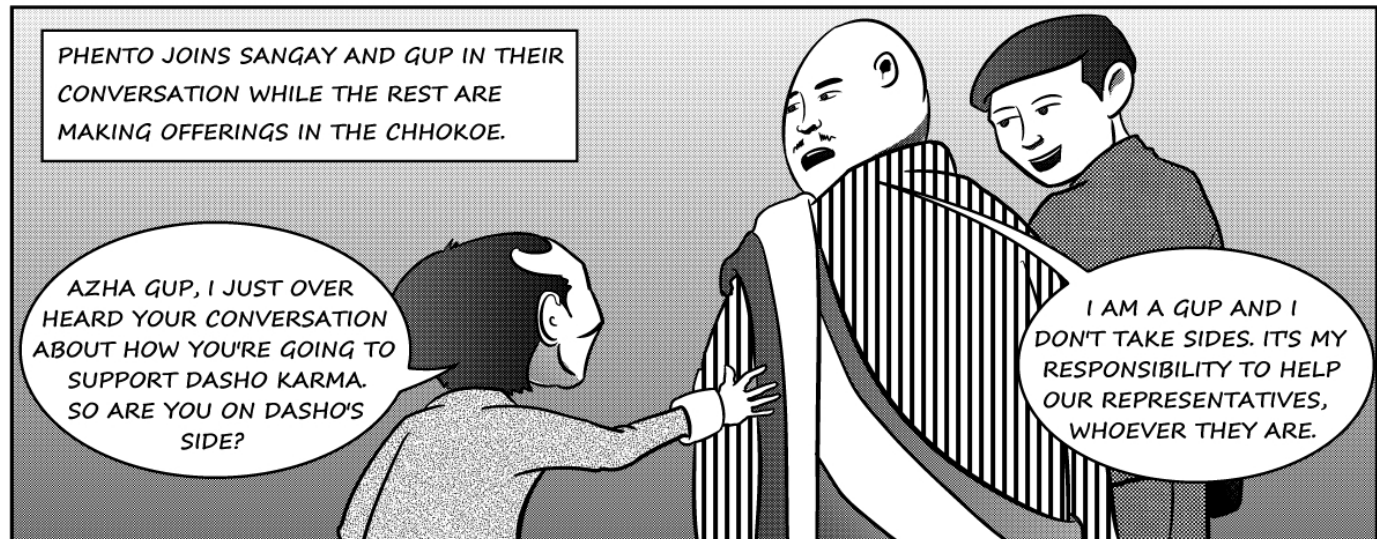
BUT PERSONALLY, DASHO KARMA IS NOT FULFILLING HIS DUTIES TO THE VILLAGE. WE HAD HIGH EXPECTATIONS. AND MANY OF THE VILLAGE ACTIVITIES ARE STILL NOT COMPLETED. BUT THESE ARE MY PERSONAL VIEWS AS A CITIZEN AND NOT AS A GUP. PROFESSIONALLY, I'M TRYING MY BEST TO HELP THEM ALL.

SANGAY AGREES ON THE NEED FOR BOTH SIDES TO WORK TOGETHER TO SERVE THE COMMUNITY.

YOU'RE RIGHT AZHA GUP. WE CAN'T CLAP WITH ONLY ONE HAND. WE NEED BOTH SIDES TO WORK TOGETHER TO SERVE THE COMMUNITY.

SANGAY, THAT'S HOW DEMOCRACY WORKS.







SANGAY IS AT THE GUPS OFFICE USING THE INTERNET TO CREATE A FACEBOOK PAGE FOR HIS CAMPAIGN. SANGAY EXPLAINS THE USE OF FACEBOOK AND SOCIAL MEDIA TO THE GUP.

YALAMA... THERE'S ALREADY AN ACCOUNT IN MY NAME AND WITH MY PICTURE. I WONDER WHO CREATED IT?

SANGAY WANTS TO REPORT HIS FAKE FACEBOOK ACCOUNT TO THE ELECTION COMMISSION OF BHUTAN. THE ECB MONITORS SOCIAL MEDIA RELATED TO POLITICAL PARTIES.

LOOKS LIKE A LOT CAN HAPPEN ON THE INTERNET. ALL I DO IS READ THE NEWS ONLINE. BUT LOOKING AT WHAT YOU'RE GOING THROUGH, I'M NOT SURE I WANT TO CREATE A FACEBOOK ACCOUNT.

I MUST TAKE THIS UP WITH THE ECB AND PREVENT THE PERSONAL ATTACKS AND FALSE INFORMATION THAT SEEMS TO INCREASE BEFORE ELECTIONS.

SANGAY HAD READ IN THE INTERNATIONAL PRESS THAT PEOPLE DO DEFAME OTHERS, BUT DID NOT EXPECT THAT TO HAPPEN WITH HIM.

I'VE READ IN THE INTERNATIONAL NEWSPAPERS THAT PEOPLE DEFAME OTHERS ON SOCIAL MEDIA. BUT I DIDN'T EXPECT THIS TO HAPPEN TO ME. WHO WOULD DO THIS TO ME?

THIS IS A SERIOUS ISSUE SANGAY. YOU MUST FIND OUT AS SOON AS YOU CAN. I'M GUESSING IT'S ALREADY DONE YOU HARM.





SANGAY IS STILL TRYING TO PROVE HE DOESN'T HAVE A GIRLFRIEND. YESHEY IS STILL ANGRY AND DOESN'T WANT TO TALK ABOUT IT.

IT'S MEANINGLESS WANTING TO MEET UP WITH ME. YOU BETTER MEET UP WITH YOUR THIMPHU GIRL, WE VILLAGE GIRLS ARE JUST NOT AS ATTRACTIVE.

YESHEY, PLEASE TELL ME WHO SHOWED YOU THE PICTURE?

SANGAY FEELS KUENGA MANIPULATED THE PICTURE TO DEFAME HIM. SANGAY TRIES TO EXPLAIN HOW PHOTOGRAPHS ARE FABRICATED THESE DAYS.

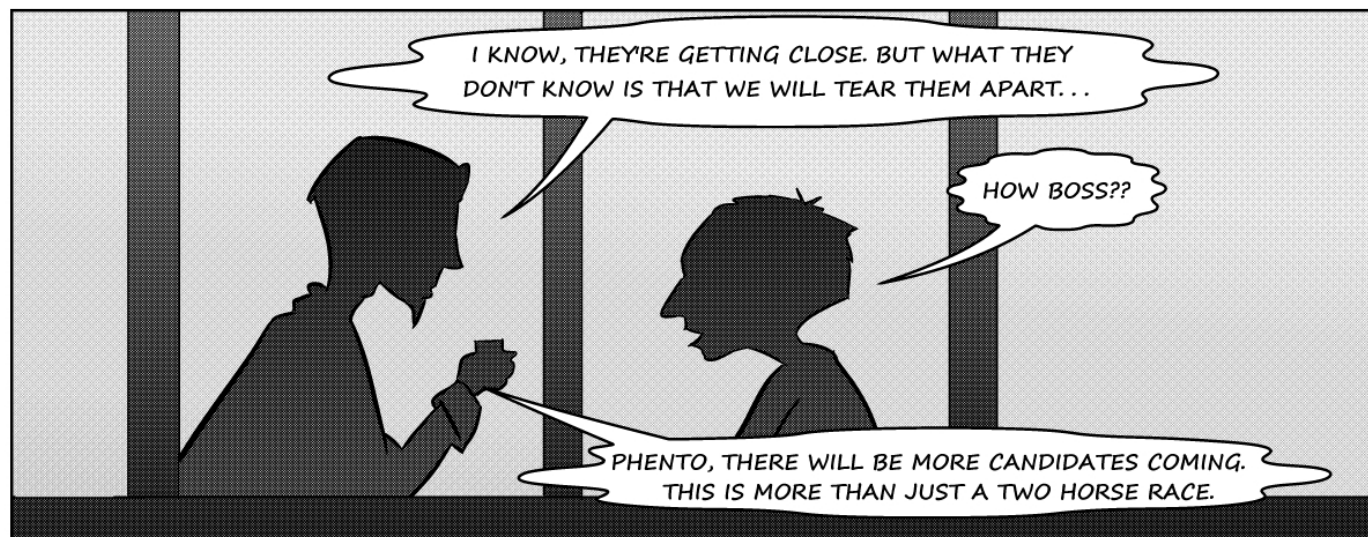
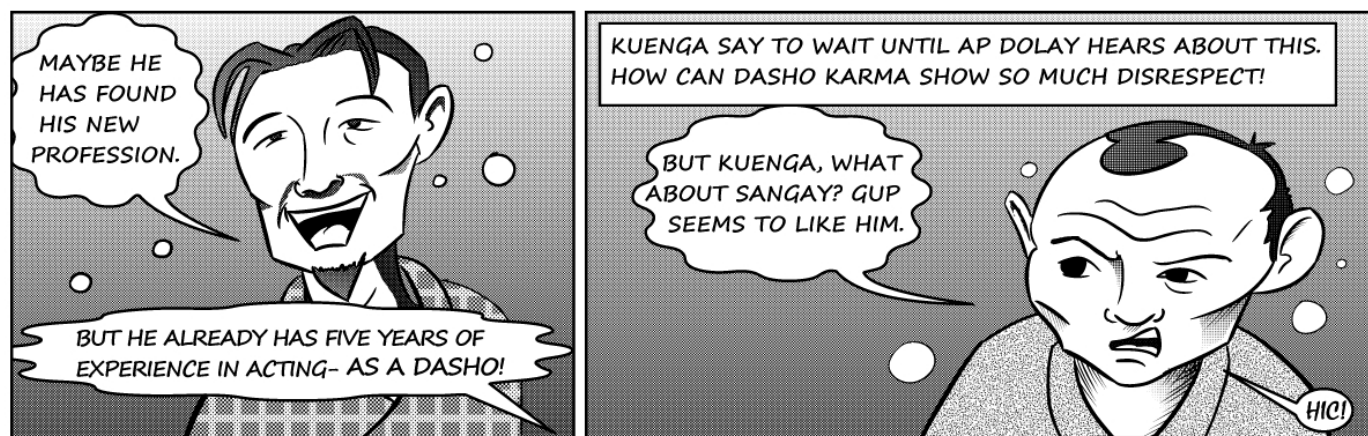
I SAW THEM ON KUENGA RABTEN'S PHONE.

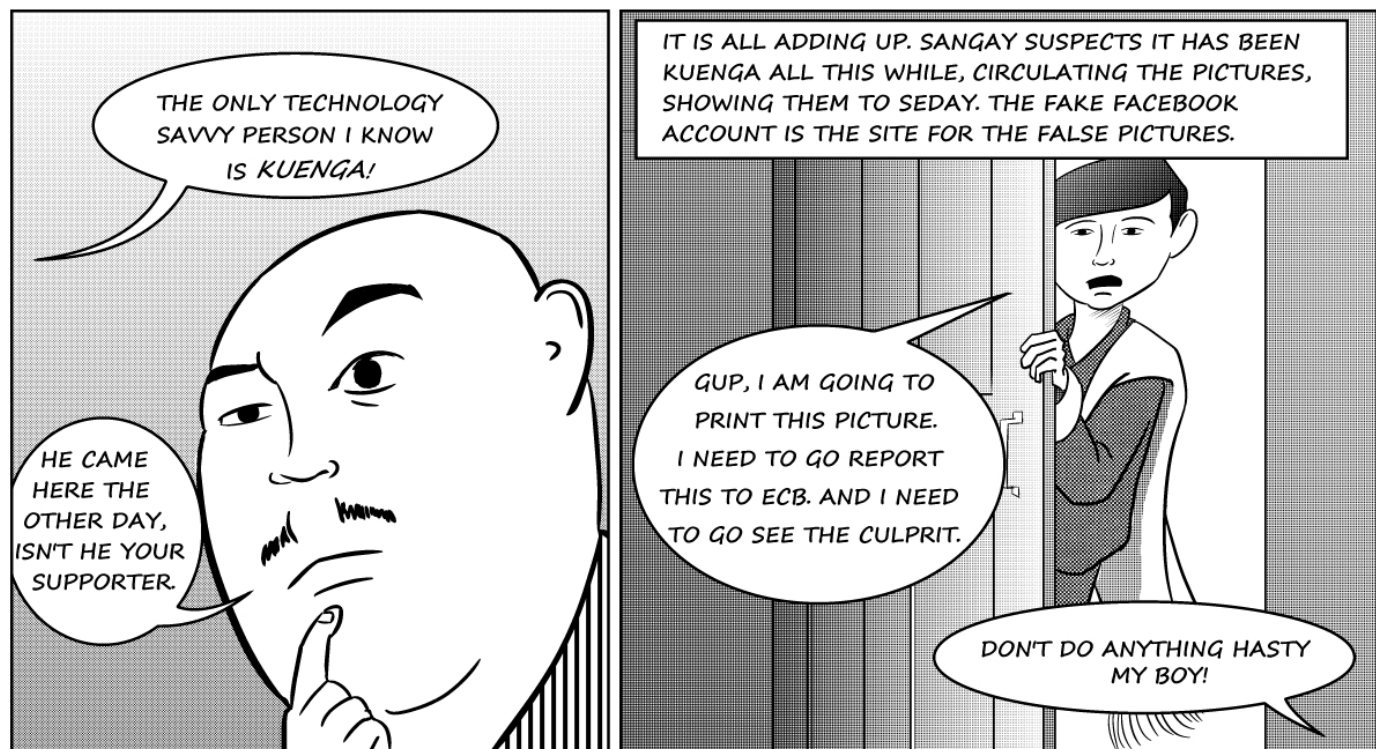
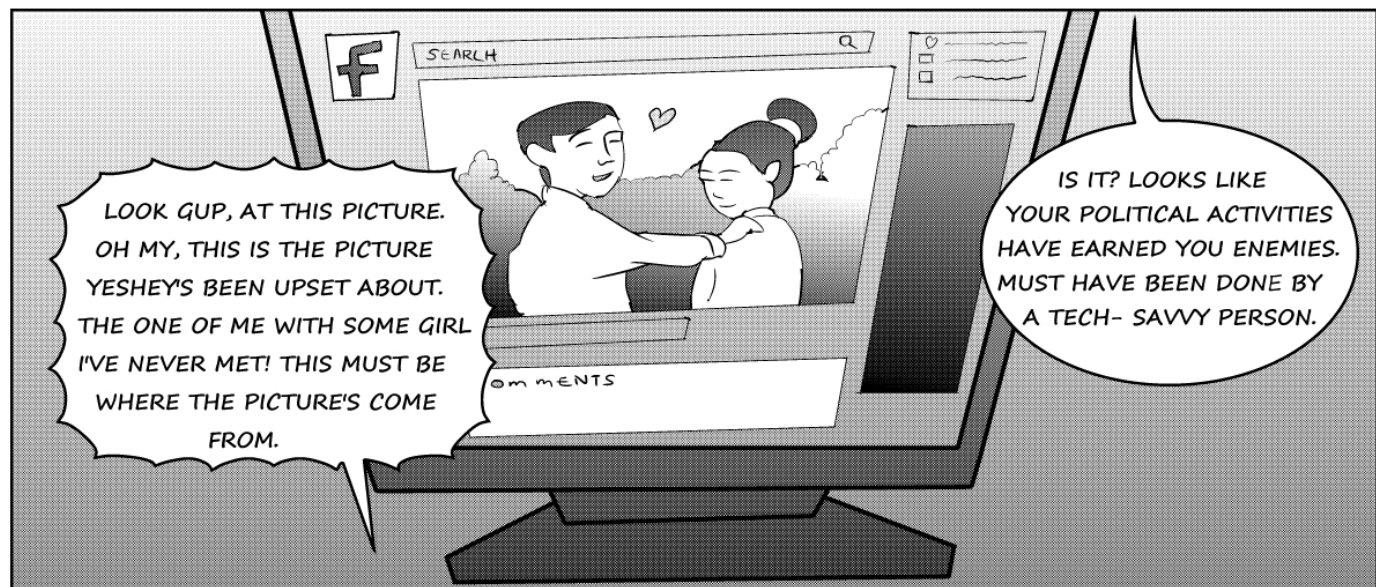
THAT EXPLAINS IT. HE HAS MADE THIS PICTURE TO DEFAME ME. I SWEAR I'LL NEVER DO ANYTHING TO HURT YOU. PHOTOGRAPHS ARE EASILY MANIPULATED AND CHANGED THESE DAYS, DON'T BE FOOLED.

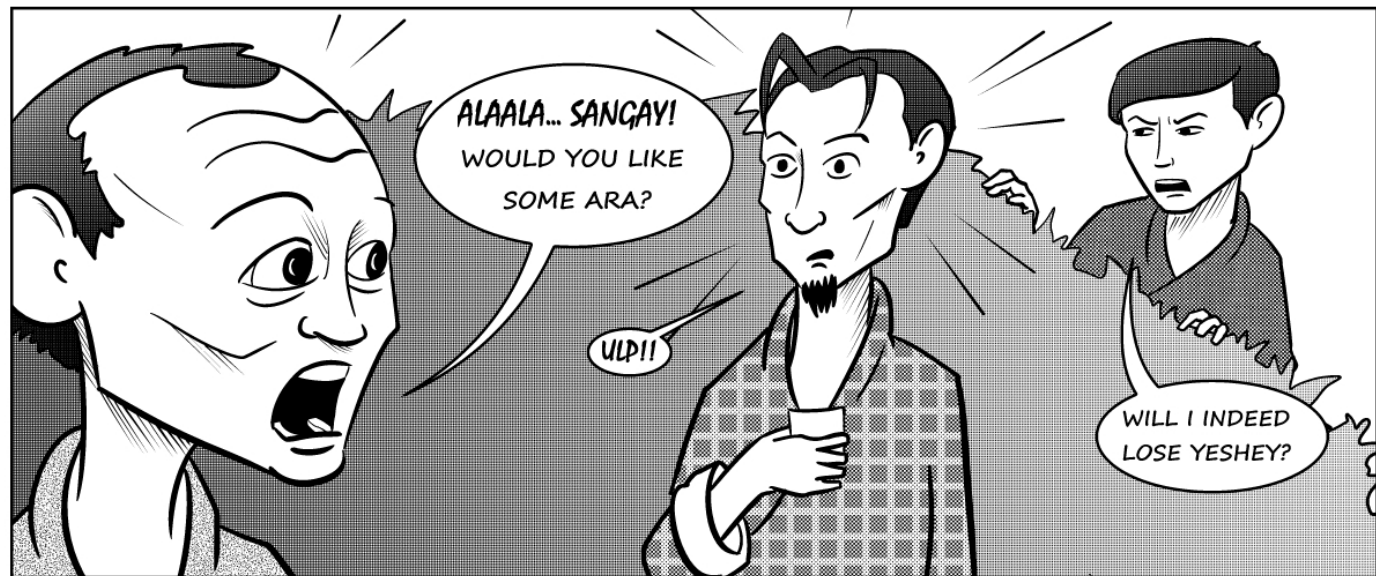
FINE, YESHEY, IF YOU DON'T BELIEVE ME. YOU'RE STUBBORN. I GUESS IT'S JUST MY BAD KARMA. I'LL JUST FOCUS ON MY ELECTIONS.

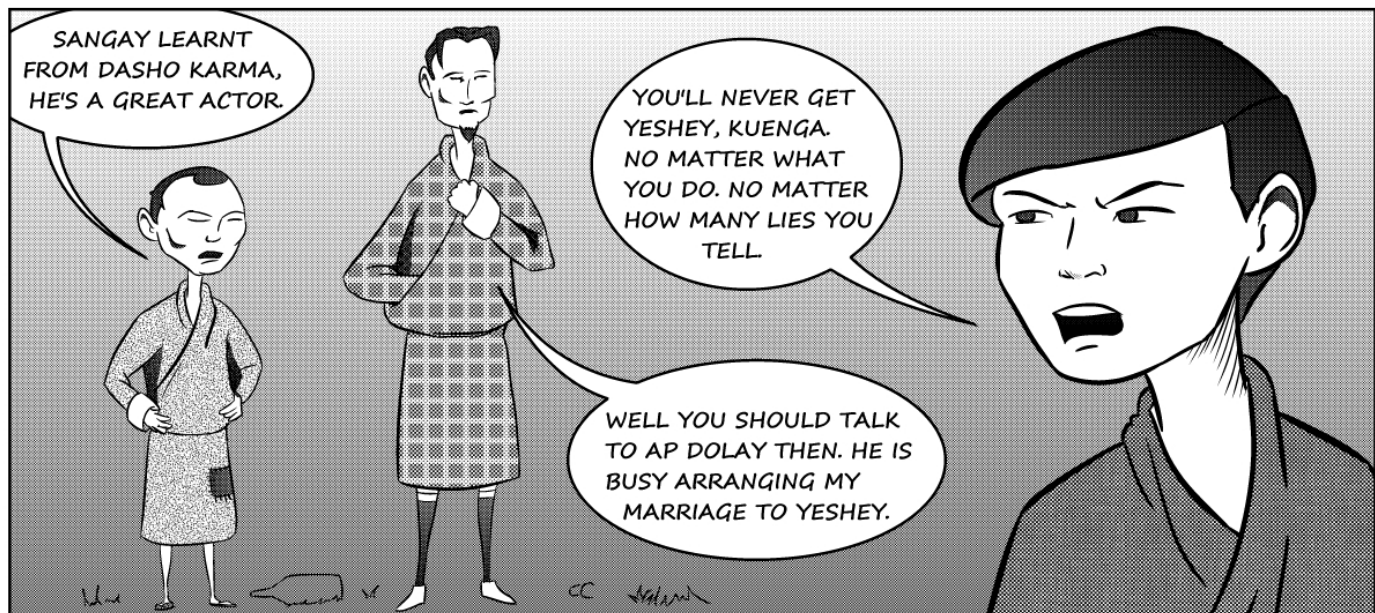
WELL, THAT WAS ALWAYS YOUR PRIORITY. CLEARLY I'M NOT THE RIGHT PERSON. WE'RE JUST NOT MADE FOR EACH OTHER. GOODBYE SANGAY!

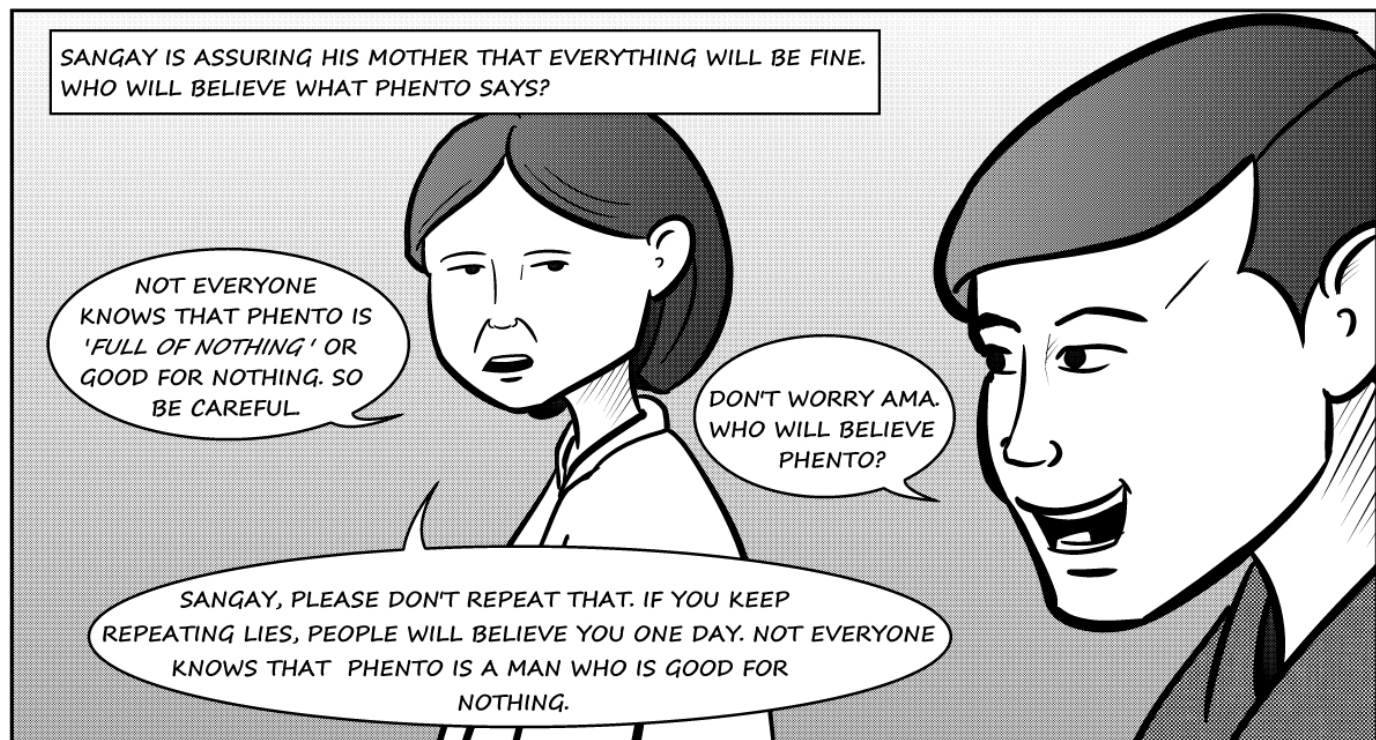
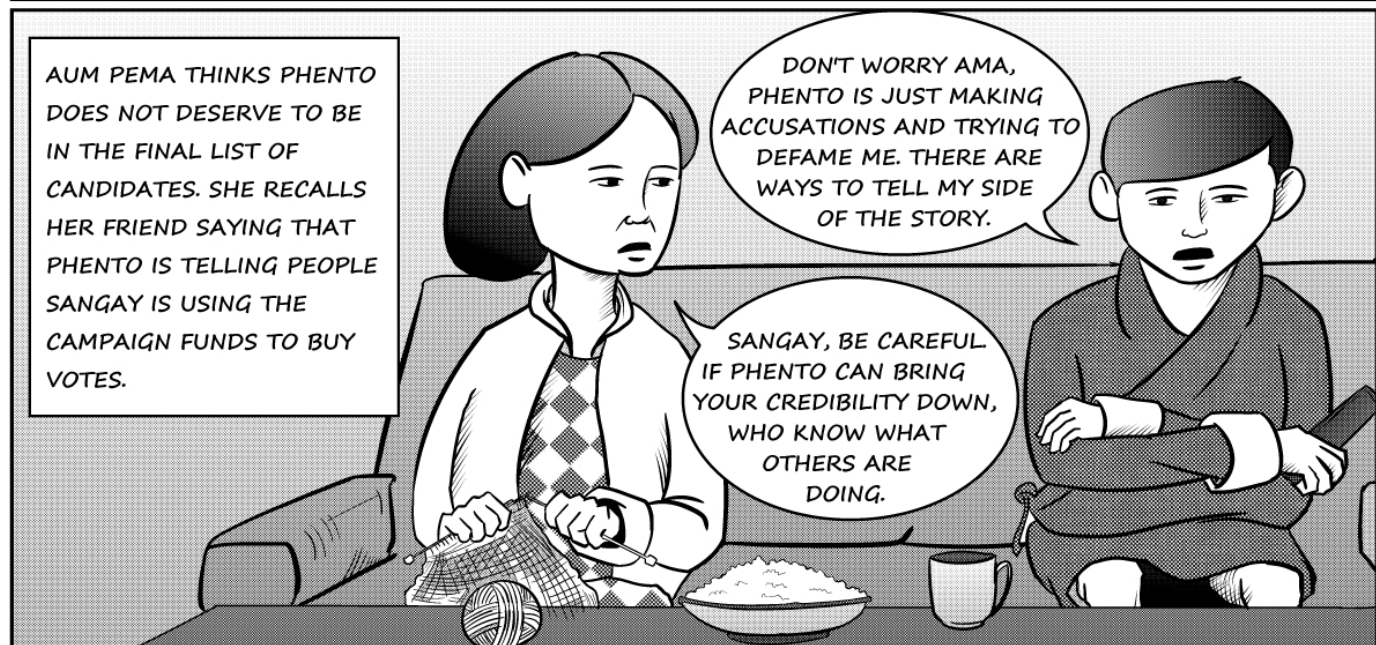








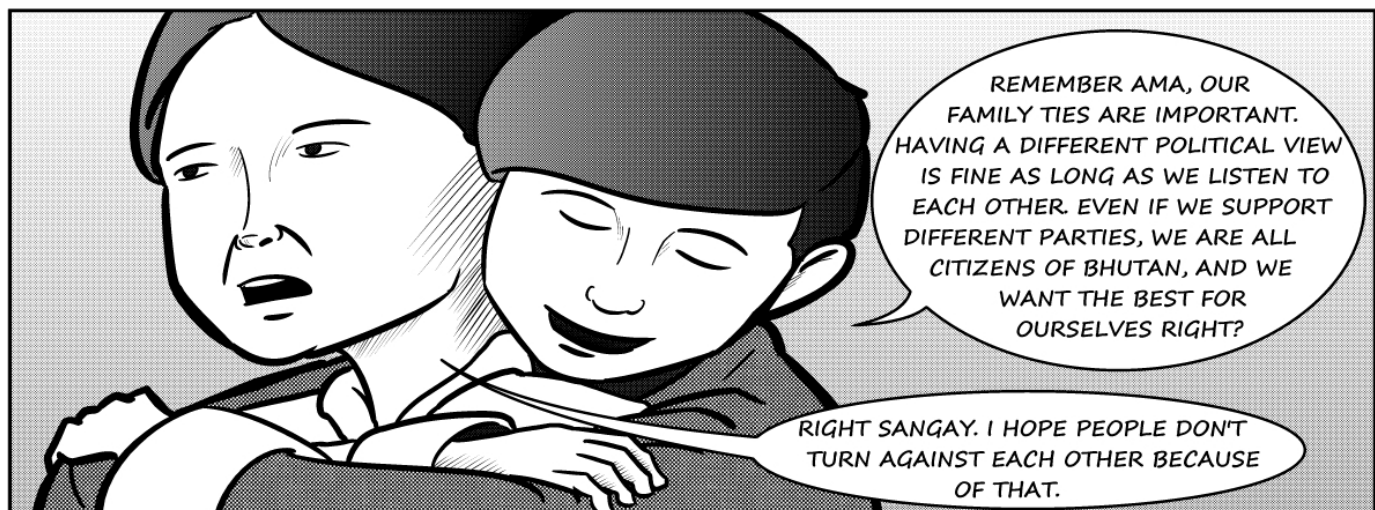
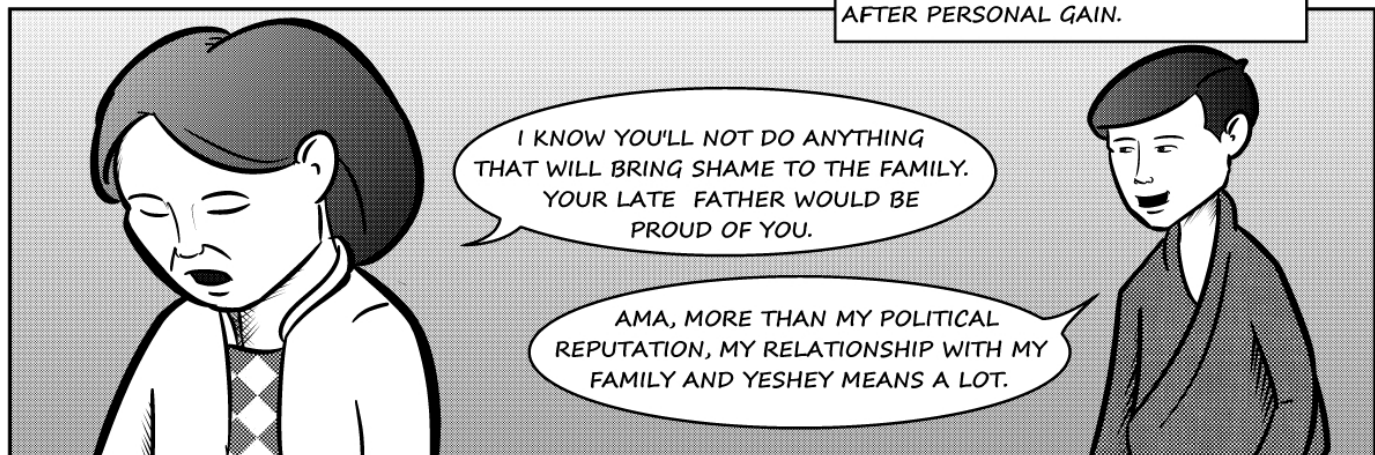


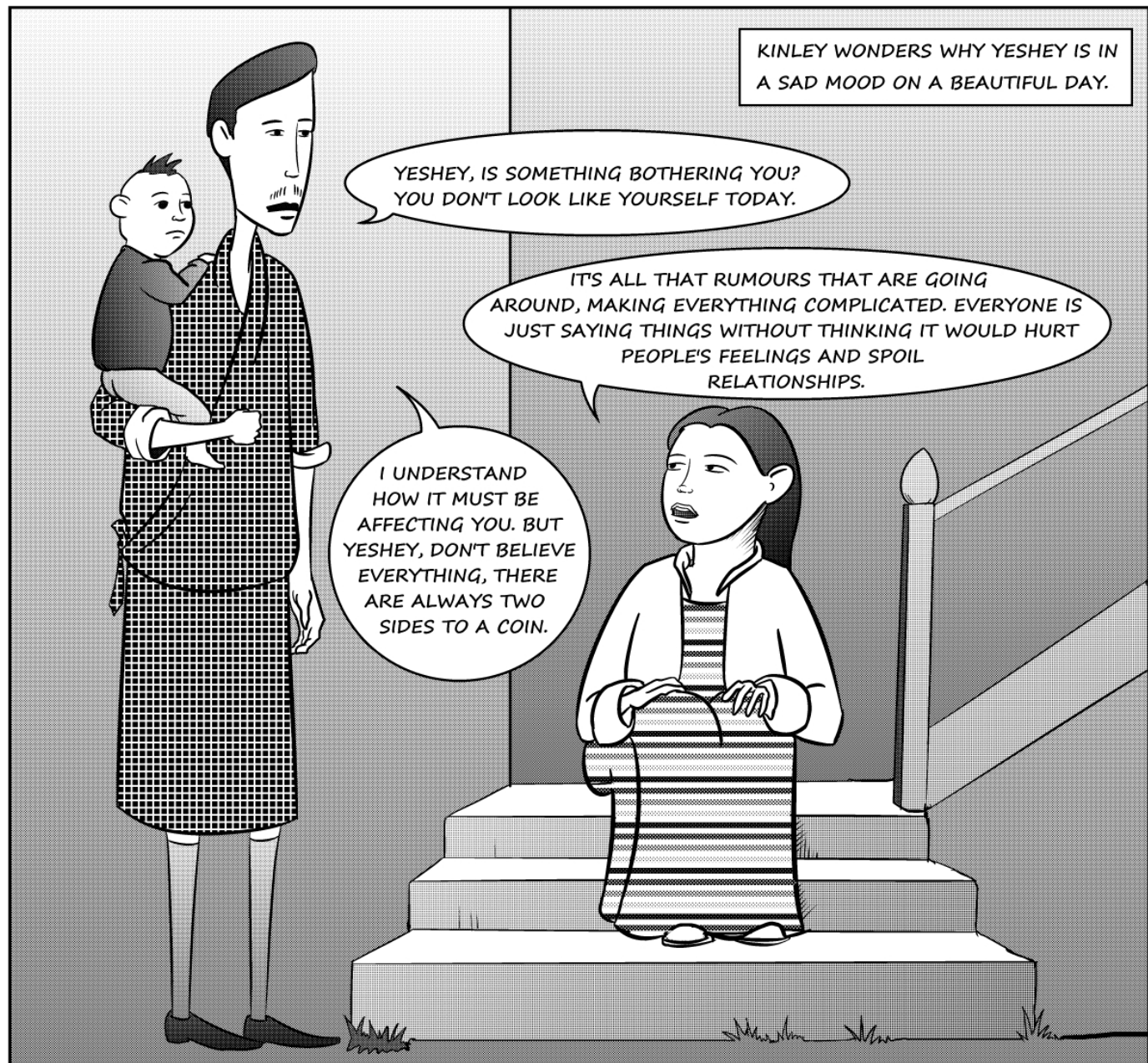


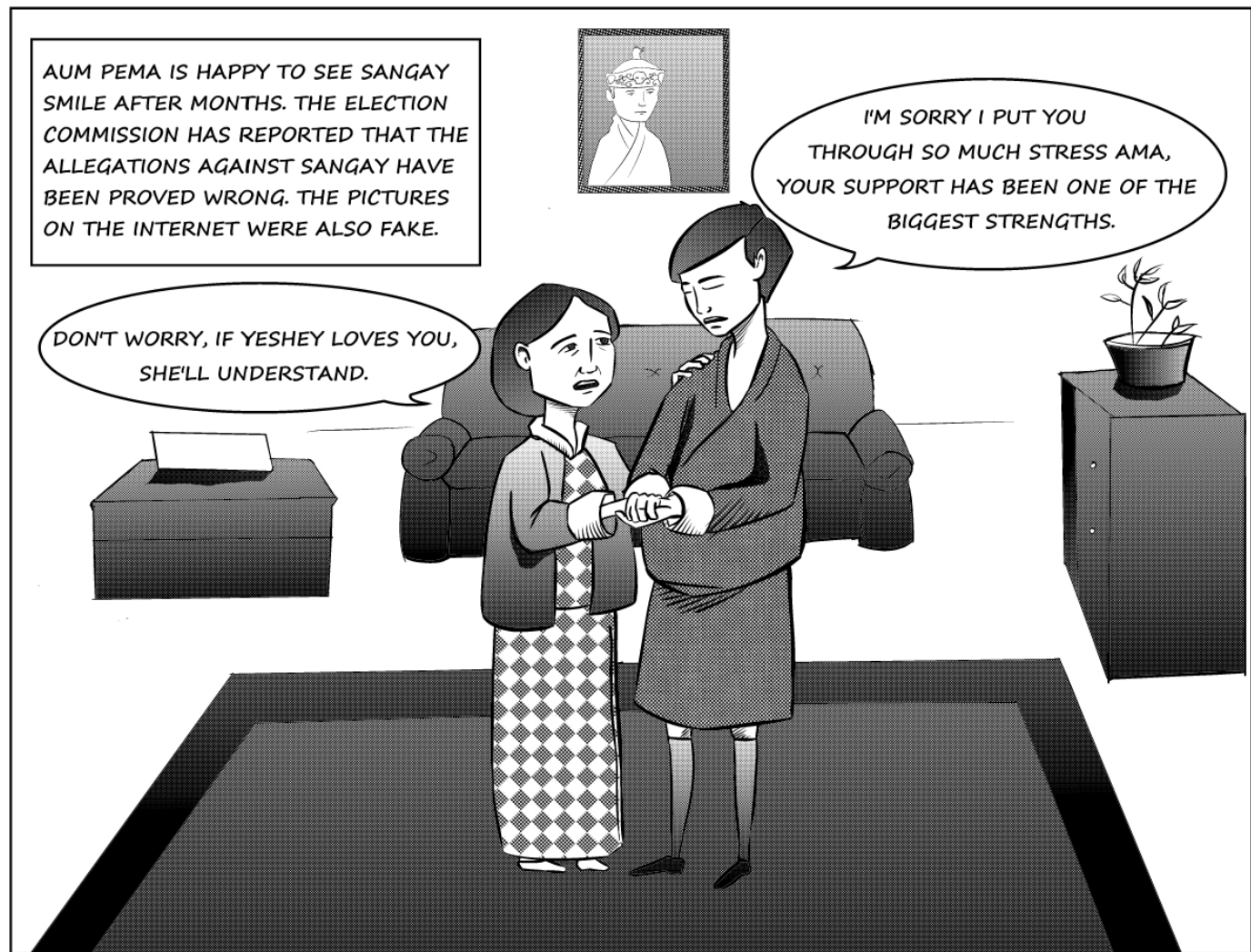


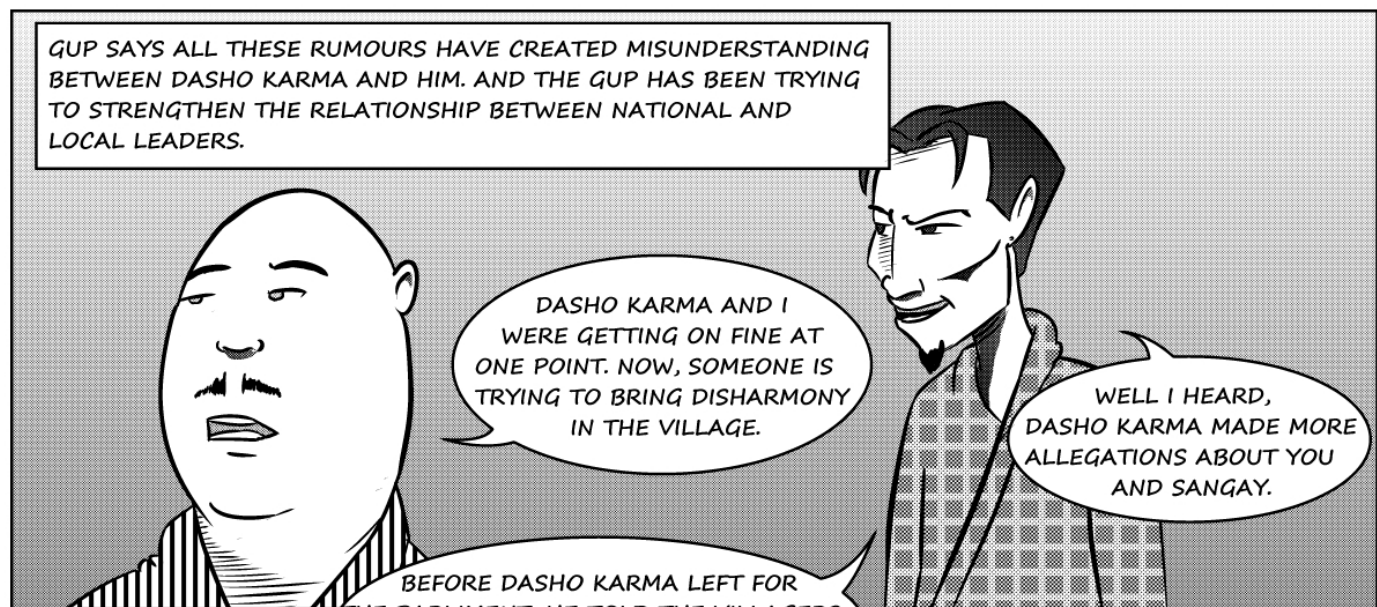
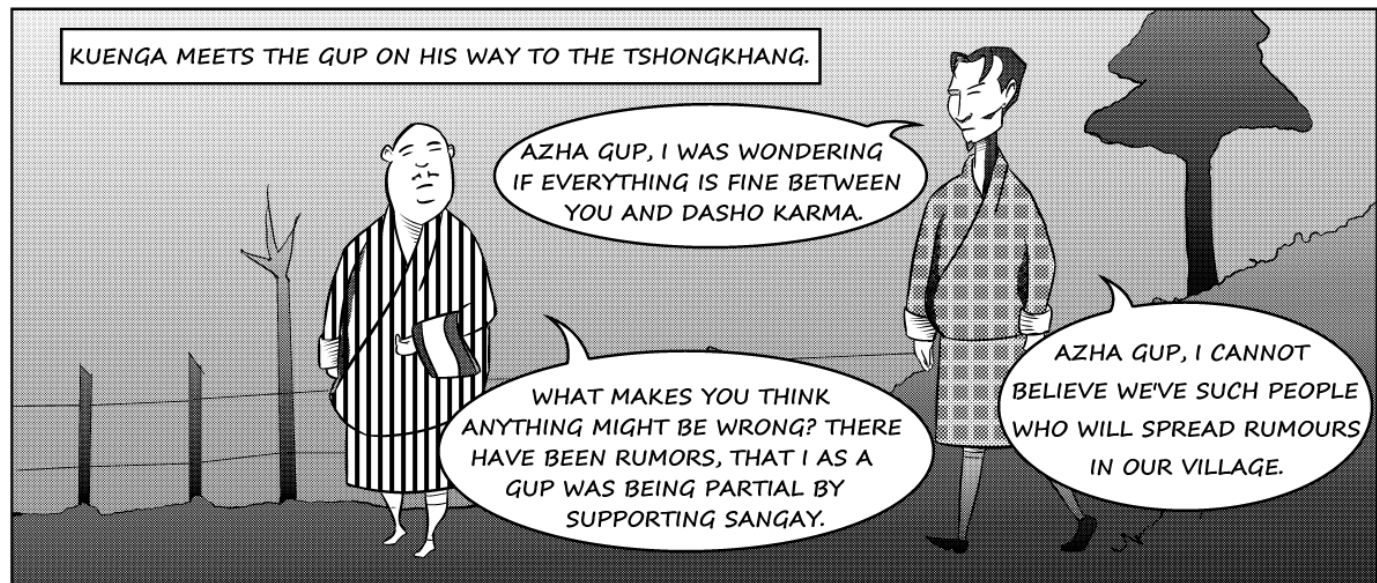


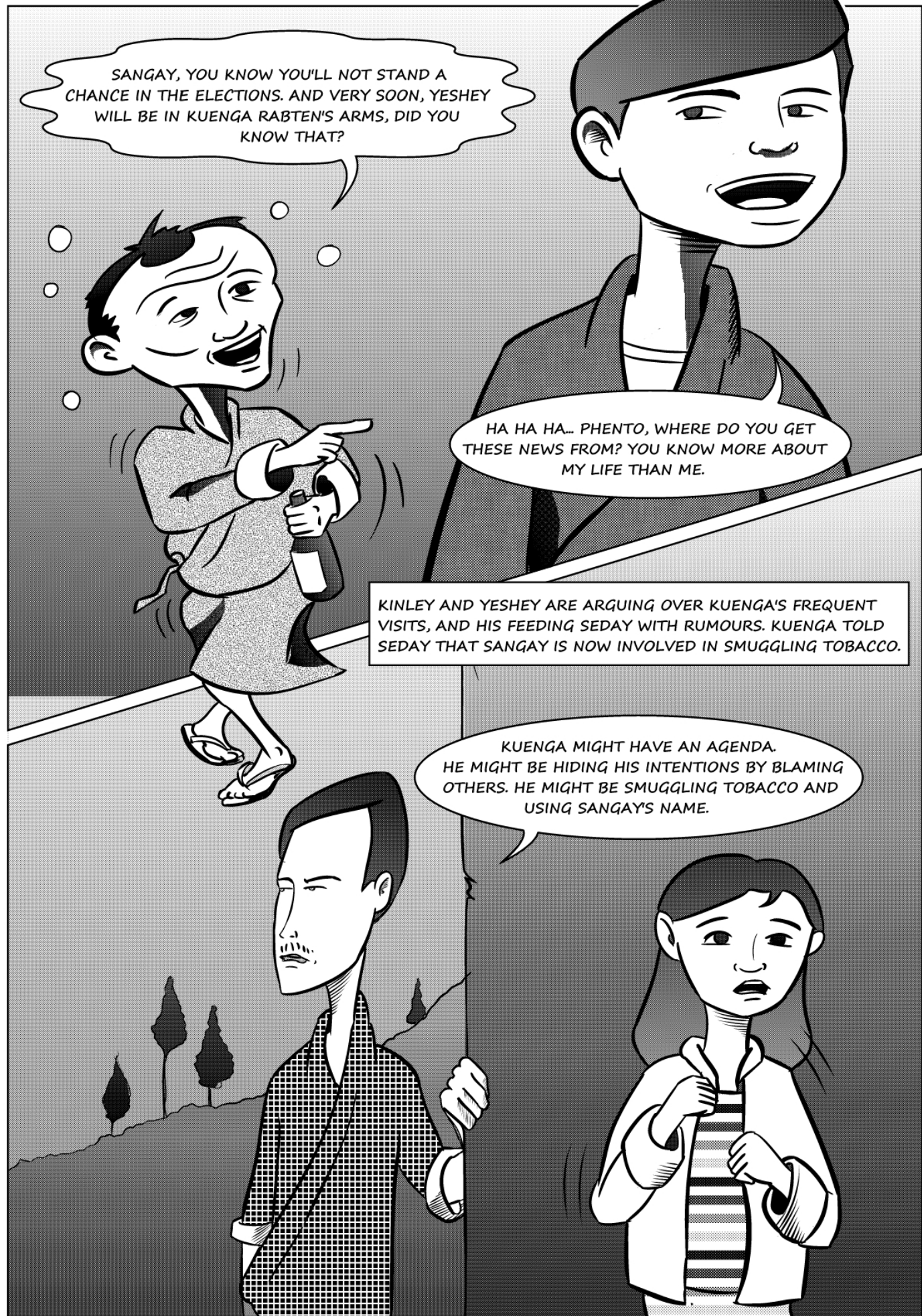
AUM PEMA IS WORRIED AFTER HEARING RUMOURS ABOUT SANGAY. SHE ASKS SANGAY IF HE HAS TO JOIN POLITICS.













THE RADIO IS ANNOUNCING THE CANDIDATES AND THE ELECTION RULES. AP DOLAY BELIEVES SUCH ANNOUNCEMENTS ARE IMPORTANT. KUENGA SAYS HE HAS NO TIME TO LISTEN ABOUT ELECTIONS ON THE RADIO, BUSINESS IS KEEPING HIM BUSY.

AP DOLAY, WE'VE BEEN DOING BUSINESS AND HAVE KNOWN EACH OTHER FOR A LONG TIME NOW, I'D LIKE TO TAKE OUR RELATIONSHIP TO THE NEXT STEP. I HOPE AP DOLAY YOU'LL FEEL THAT I'M TRUSTWORTHY AND WOULD BE A CAPABLE SON-IN-LAW LA.

guu... guu...

THAT'S A SURPRISE... HMM. SO YOU HAD AN EYE ON MY DAUGHTER YESHEY. BUT I THINK YOU'RE NO BETTER THAN THE LAST CANDIDATE SANGAY TO ASK FOR MY DAUGHTER'S HAND IN MARRIAGE.

AP DOLAY IS SUPRISED TO HEAR KUENGA'S PROPOSAL BUT HE THINKS KUENGA IS A BETTER MATCH THAN SANGAY FOR HIS DAUGHTER.

HOW MIGHT THAT BE? AP DOLAY LA?

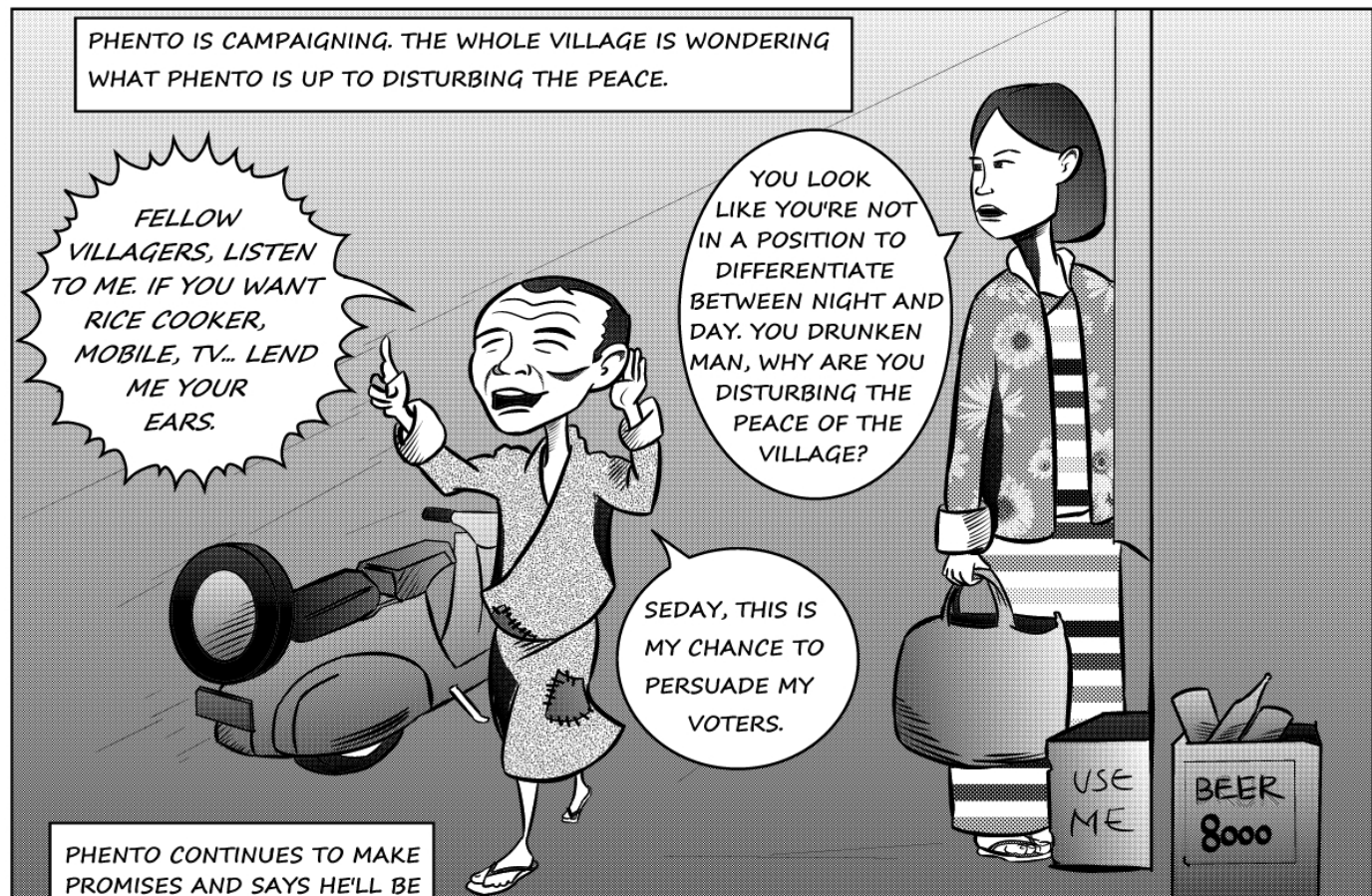
WELL, SANGAY WAS STANDING AGAINST OUR MP DASHO, AND SO ARE YOU. SO YOU'RE NO BETTER.

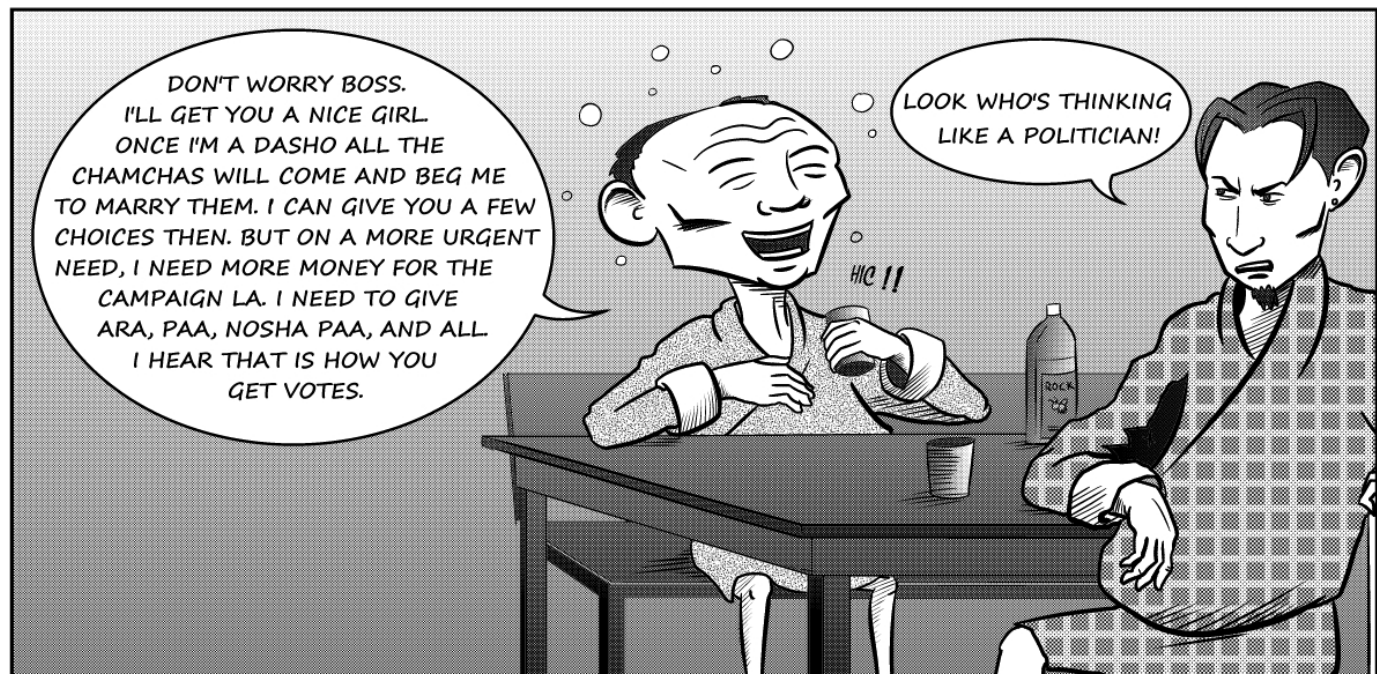
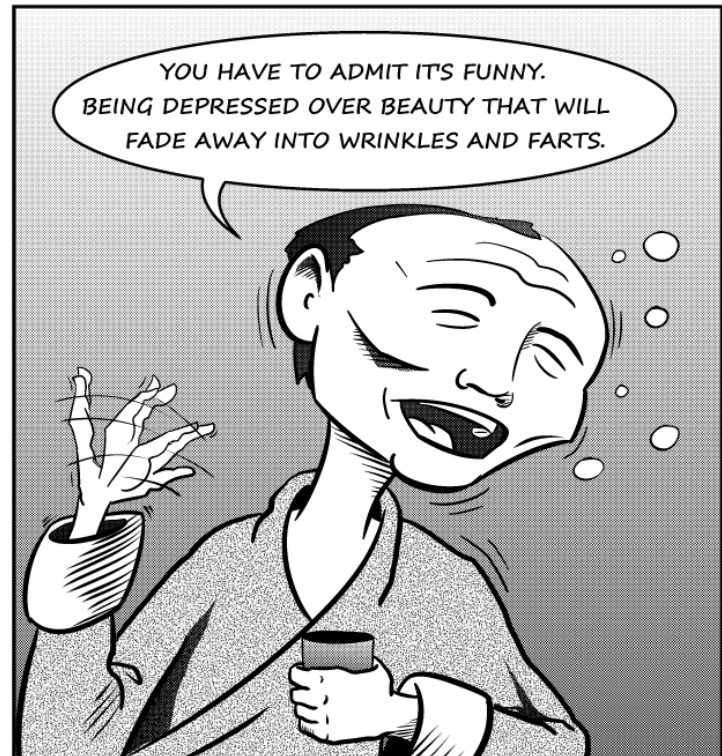
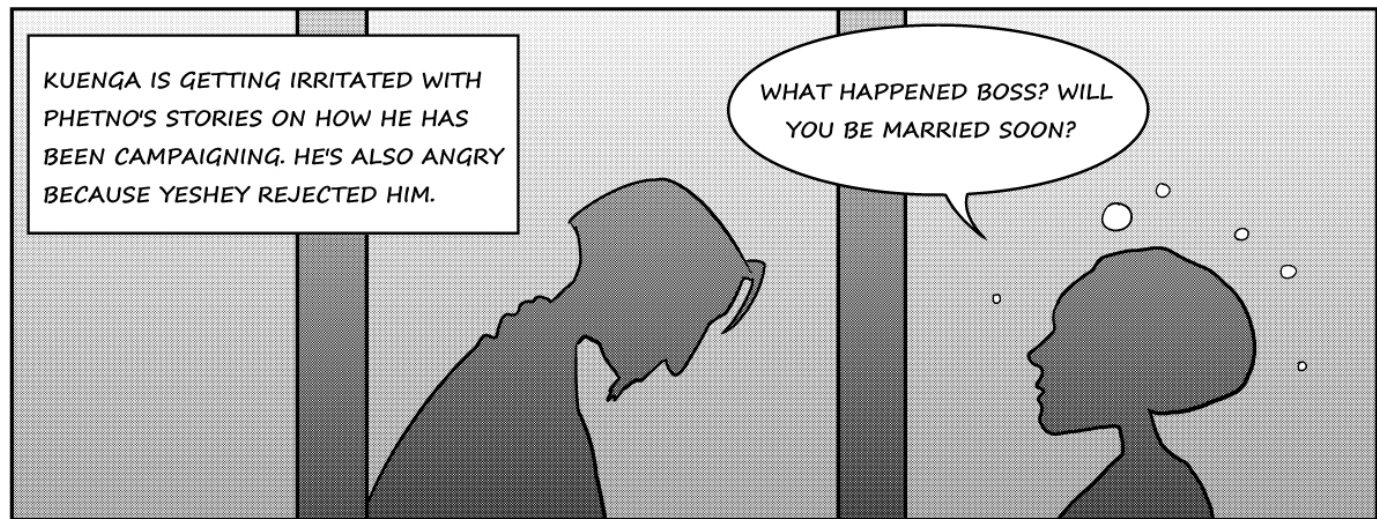
HE HE... WHY DO YOU THINK I AM STANDING AGAINST DASHO KARMA?

AP DOLAY HAS HEARD THAT KUENGA IS SUPPORTING PHENTO WHO IS STANDING AGAINST DASHO KARMA IN THE FORTHCOMING ELECTIONS.

WELL THEN, DON'T YOU THINK THAT IS BETTER FOR YOU THAN THE PRESENT MP?

KUENGA, WHAT MAKES YOU BETTER THAN SANGAY? YOU ARE AS BAD AS SANGAY. BOTH OF YOU DON'T DESERVE MY DAUGHTER.







SANGAY AND YESHEY ARE FINALLY MEETING AFTER ALL THE PROBLEMS. SANGAY HAS FINALLY PROVED HE IS NOT HAVING AN AFFAIR. SANGAY TELLS YESHEY HE SUSPECTS KUENGA TO BE THE ONE SPREADING THE RUMOURS AND CREATING THE FALSE PICTURES.

YESHEY, YOU KNOW WE CAN FOOL AROUND WITH PICTURES ON THE INTERNET, JUST LIKE PEOPLE HAVE BEEN MESSING AROUND WITH THE WORDS TO CREATE A LOT OF RUMORS. THE ELECTION COMMISSION KNOWS OF THIS HAPPENING TO CANDIDATES. I'M NOT THE ONLY ONE WHOSE NAME PEOPLE HAVE TRIED TO SULLY.



I KNOW YOU USED TO PHOTOSHOP PICTURES FOR FUN. BUT I CAN'T BELIEVE PEOPLE WILL DO IT TO HARM OTHERS. AND I DID WARN YOU ABOUT KUENGA.

YES, YOU DID. AND IT'S AMAZING HOW MANY PEOPLE ARE ON FACEBOOK IMPERSONATING POLITICAL PERSONALITIES AND EVEN RESPECTED LAMAS!

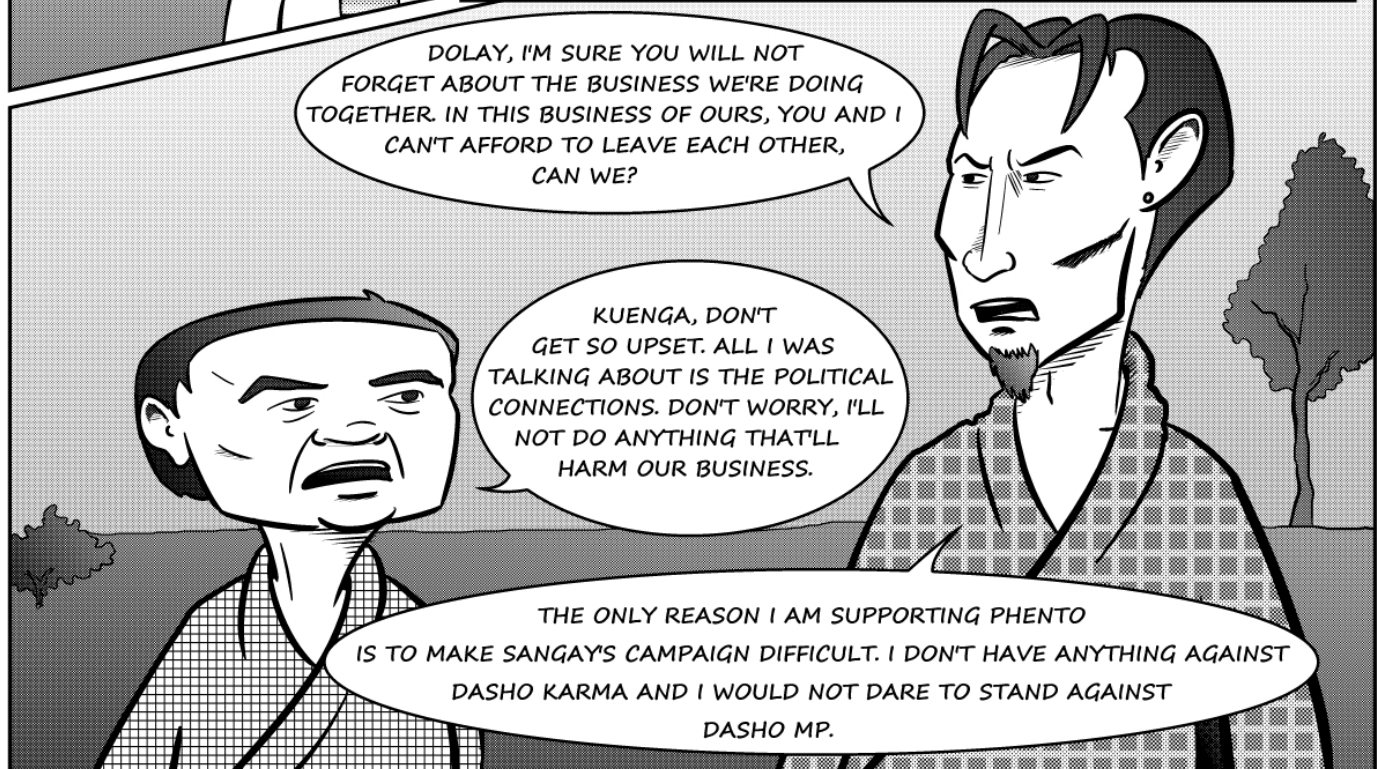


KUENGA THREATENS AP DOLAY AND SAYS THAT THEIR RELATIONSHIP IS MORE THAN BEING SUPPORTERS FOR DIFFERENT CANDIDATES.

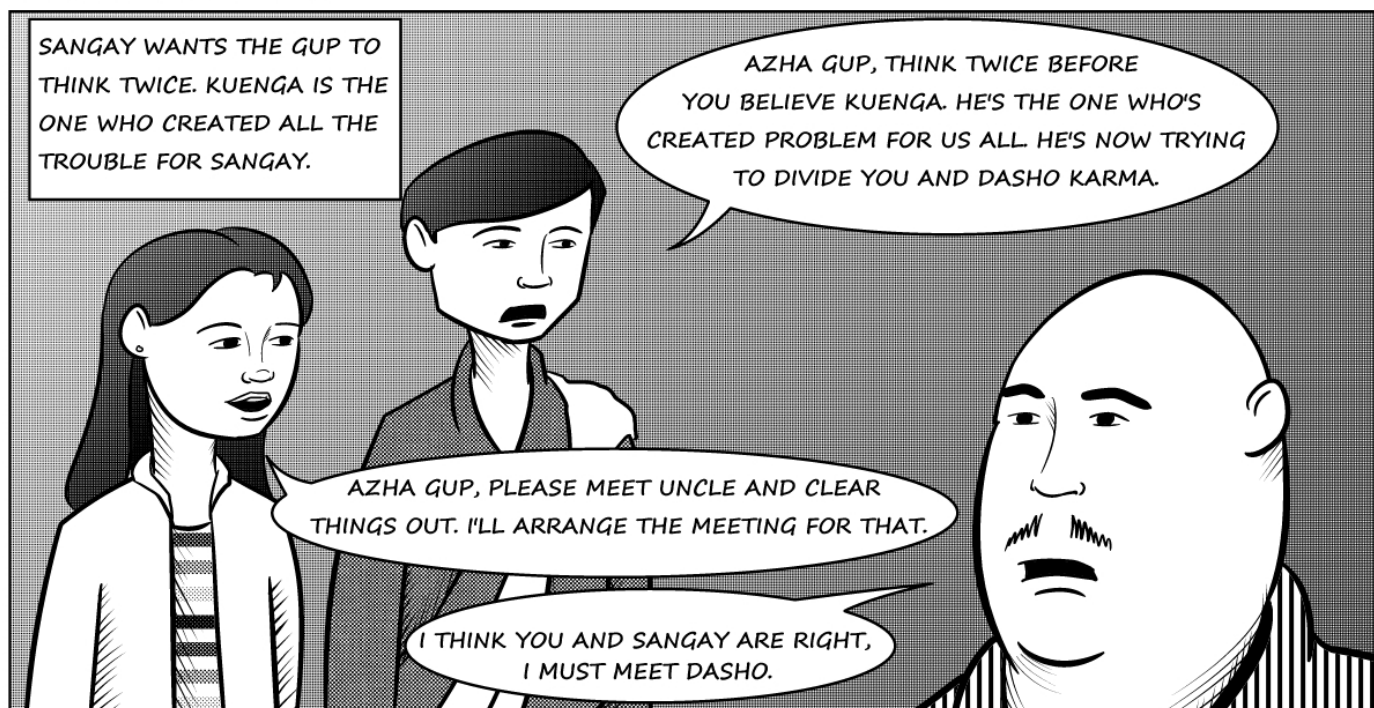
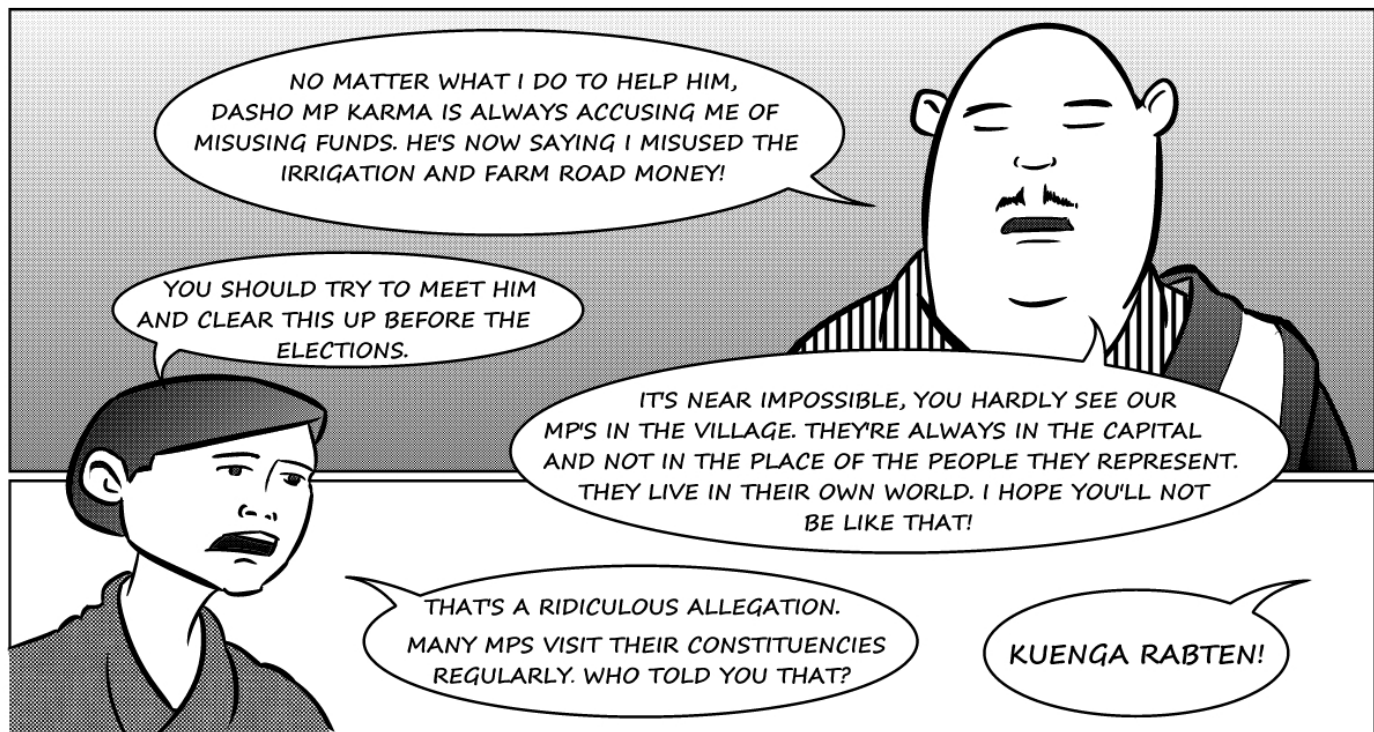
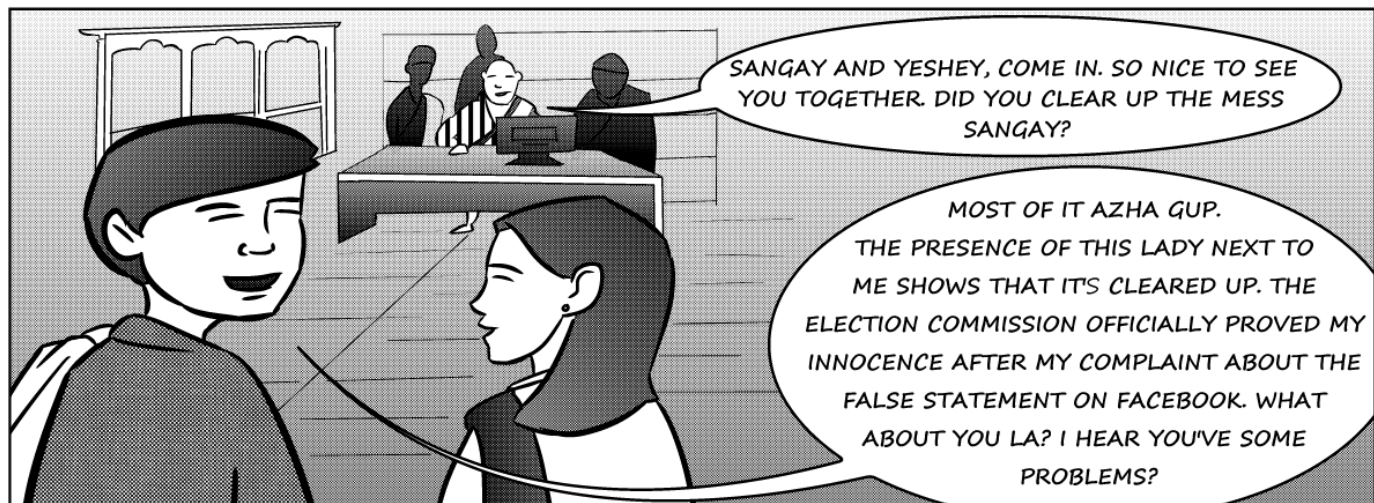
DOLAY, I'M SURE YOU WILL NOT FORGET ABOUT THE BUSINESS WE'RE DOING TOGETHER. IN THIS BUSINESS OF OURS, YOU AND I CAN'T AFFORD TO LEAVE EACH OTHER, CAN WE?

KUENGA, DON'T GET SO UPSET. ALL I WAS TALKING ABOUT IS THE POLITICAL CONNECTIONS. DON'T WORRY, I'LL NOT DO ANYTHING THAT'LL HARM OUR BUSINESS.

THE ONLY REASON I AM SUPPORTING PHENTO IS TO MAKE SANGAY'S CAMPAIGN DIFFICULT. I DON'T HAVE ANYTHING AGAINST DASHO KARMA AND I WOULD NOT DARE TO STAND AGAINST DASHO MP.









AP DOLAY FEELS KUENGA IS BETRAYING HIM BY NOT SUPPORTING DASHO KARMA SONAM.

GLAD TO FIND YOU ALONG WITHOUT THAT JOKER PHENTO FOR A CHANGE.

PHENTO IS JUST A STOOGE. HE'S NOTHING TO WORRY ABOUT. BUT WHAT ABOUT YOU AP DOLAY? YOU DON'T LOOK SO WELL.

I'M NOT WELL BECAUSE I'M NOT SURE IF YOU'RE ON MY SIDE.

AP DOLAY, I AM ALL ON DASHO KARMA'S SIDE.

WELL, I ALSO HEAR YOU ARE FUNDING PHENTO'S CAMPAIGN.

DON'T BELIEVE WHAT YOU HEAR. AP DOLAY, BOTH OF US KNOW WHO OUR OPPONENT IS. PHENTO IS JUST A COVER FOR WHO WE'RE REALLY GOING AGAINST. BY THE TIME WE'RE DONE, SANGAY WILL WATCH DASHO SONAM RECEIVE HIS KABNEY FOR THE SECOND TIME.

HA HA KUENGA, THAT BIG HEAD OF YOURS IS NOT EMPTY AFTER ALL.

WELL, I WONDER, IF MY AIM OF GETTING MARRIED WILL COME TRUE.

KUENGA, WE'VE BEEN WORKING TOGETHER FOR A LONG TIME. I'D LOVE TO HAVE YOU AS MY RELATIVE, EVEN AS MY SON-IN-LAW.

THEN THAT'S SETTLED. I'M LOOKING FORWARD SO MUCH TO BEING YOUR SON-IN-LAW AS WELL AS BUSINESS ASSOCIATE!

HANG ON A MINUTE KUENGA, IT'S NOT AS EASY AS ALL THAT. THE PROBLEM AS YOU KNOW IS YESHEY HERSELF. I'M SURE YOU'VE HAD A CHANCE TO DISCOVER HER FEELINGS.

I'M SORRY, IT WOULD BE SUCH A PITY IF THINGS DON'T WORK OUT BETWEEN US. SOMETHING HAS TO BE DONE AP DOLAY. YOU KNOW THAT THE LONGER I REMAIN YOUR BUSINESS PARTNER AND NOT YOUR RELATIVE, THE MORE LIKELY THE NATURE OF OUR BUSINESS TOGETHER IS LIKELY TO GET OUT MENA?

THAT WILL NOT HAPPEN.

AUM CHIMMI AND KINLEY ARE WORRIED AP DOLAY WILL NOT AGREE TO THE MARRIAGE OF SANGAY AND YESHEY.

WELL, YESHEY IS NOT GETTING ANY YOUNGER, AND IT'S NOT AS IF THERE AREN'T ANY GOOD MEN WHO WANT TO MARRY HER. TWO ARE DESPERATELY WANTING TO MARRY HER AND I'M FRUSTRATED BEING IN BETWEEN ALL THIS. YESHEY IS IN LOVE WITH SANGAY, BUT HER APA WANTS HER TO MARRY KUENGA RABTEN. ALL THIS IS TORTURING HER AND HER RELATION WITH HER APA IS BEING AFFECTED. THIS AFTERNOON, SANGAY'S MOTHER CAME TO VISIT ME AND FORMALLY ASKED FOR YESHEY'S HAND IN MARRIAGE. NOW IT'S MY JOB TO TALK TO APA.

AMA, WHAT'S WRONG?
SOMETHING IS BOTHERING YOU.

AMA, APA'LL ONLY LISTEN TO YOU.

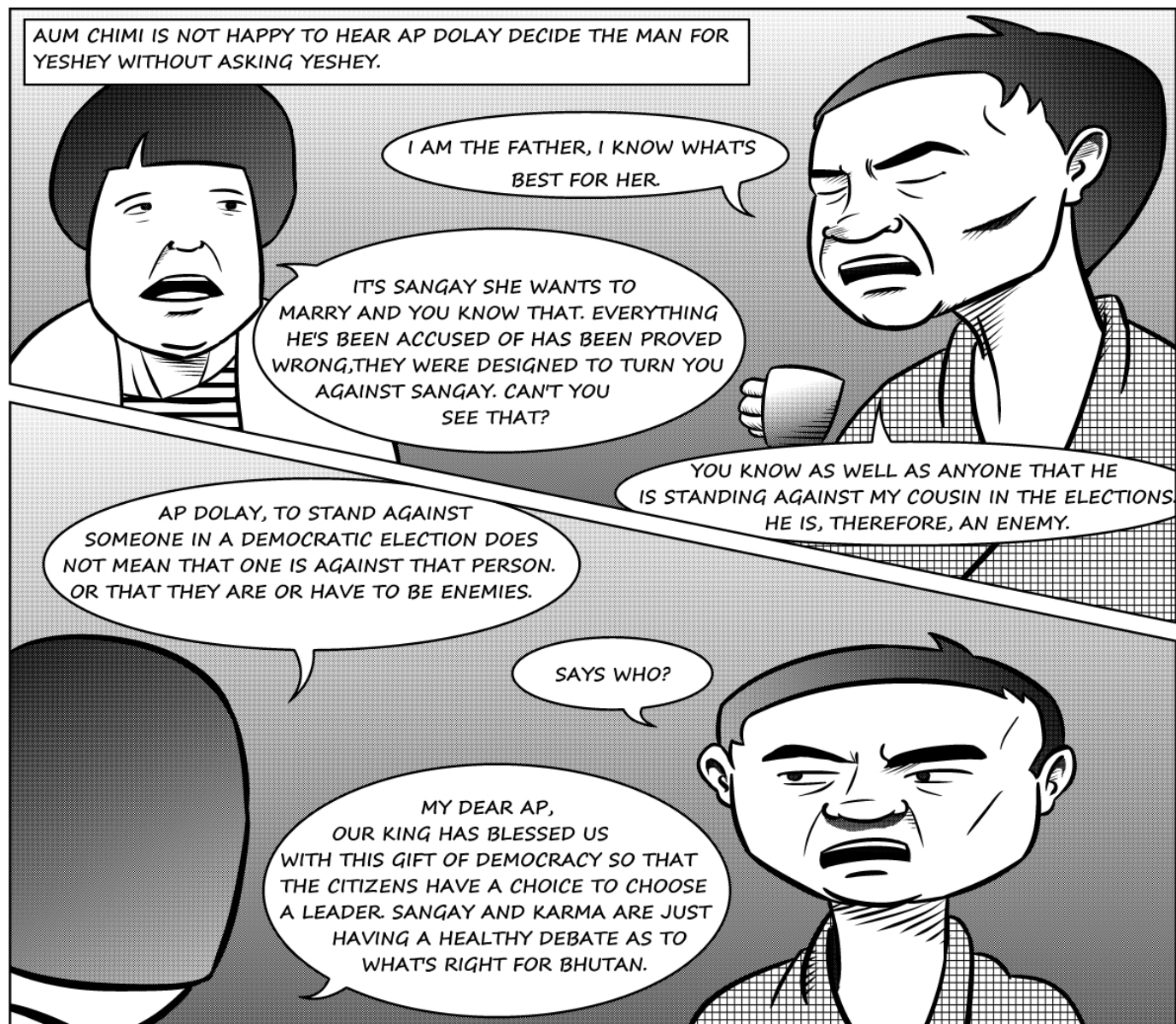
PHENTO'S HAPPY ABOUT HIS CAMPAIGN BUT KUENGA IS NOT.

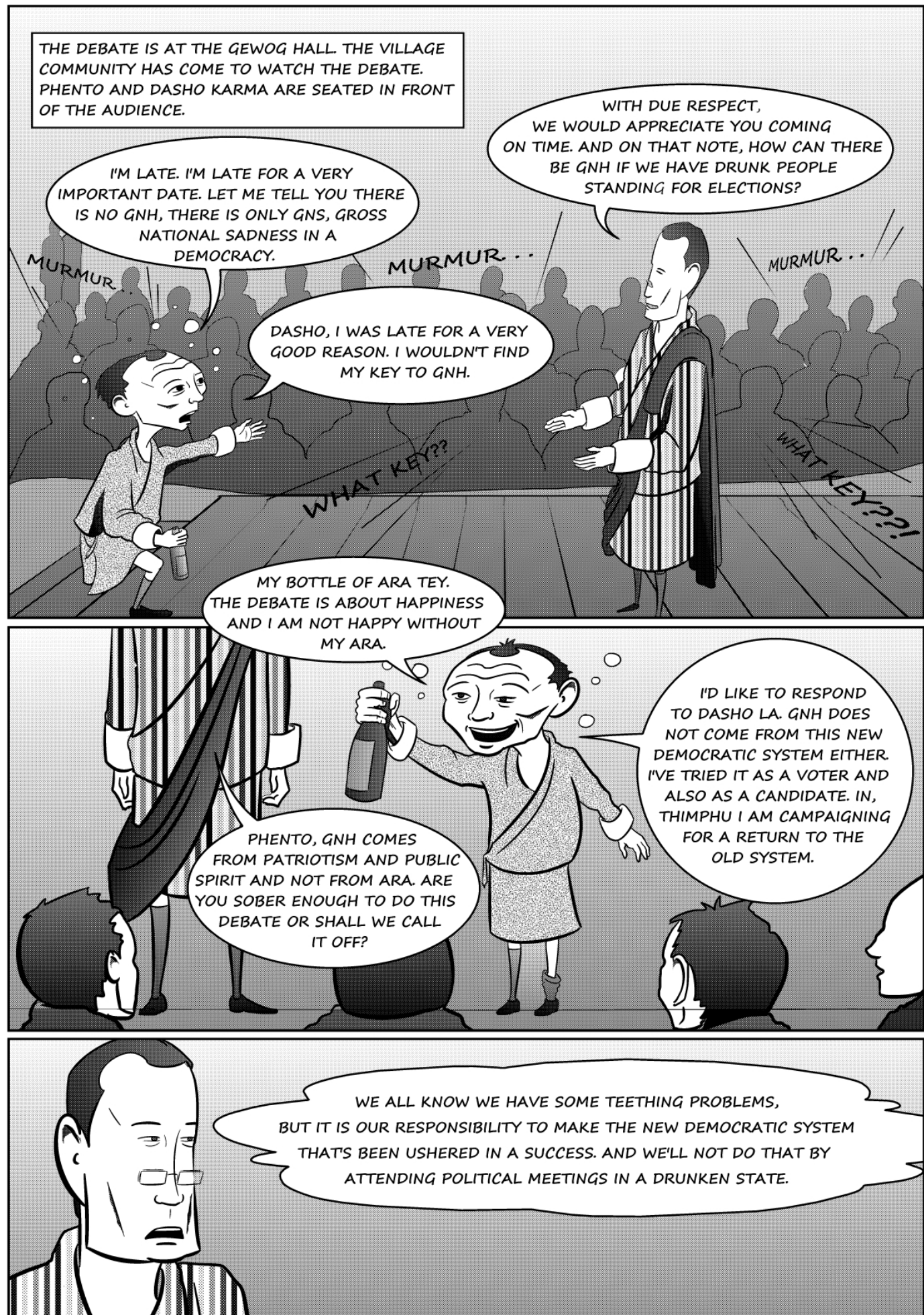
YOU WERE NOT SUPPOSED TO TELL PEOPLE I AM YOUR SPONSOR. ESPECIALLY NOT TO AP DOLAY WHO NOW KNOWS THAT I'M SUPPORTING YOU TO STAND AGAINST HIS OWN COUSIN-DASHO KARMA NO LESS!

EVERYONE WILL FIND OUT SOON. OUR POLITICAL AIMS ARE HIGH, AND THEY MUST SEE US WORK TOGETHER. AND WHEN WE EMERGE AS WINNERS, EVERYTHING WILL BE OURS. PRADOS, MAIDENS, ANYTHING OUR HEARTS DESIRE.

SHUT UP PHENTO. I'VE HAD ENOUGH OF YOUR LOUD MOUTHING NONSENSE. FROM NOW ON YOU'RE ON YOUR OWN. NOW GET OUT OF HERE!

HOW CAN YOU DO THIS BOSS? WHAT ABOUT OUR ELECTION CAMPAIGN? NOW THERE'S NO HOPE FOR ME OR OUR PEOPLE.. ALL IS LOST.







DASHO KARMA AND GUP ARE CLEARING THINGS ABOUT HOW RUMOURS ON THEIR RELATIONSHIP HAS UNNECESSARILY CAUSED CONFUSION AND DISTRUST.

AZHA GUP, I'VE COME TO CLEAR THE AIR BETWEEN US WITH ALL THESE RUMOURS FLYING AROUND SINCE I'VE BEEN AWAY.

THEY CERTAINLY HAVE. DON'T TELL ME YOU MEAN THE RUMOURS ARE UNTRUE?

OF COURSE THEY ARE UNTRUE. YOU AND I HAVE BEEN WORKING TOGETHER FOR THE BETTERMENT OF THE COMMUNITY. OUR VIEWS DIFFER BUT THAT DOES NOT MEAN I DON'T RESPECT YOU. AND THEY'RE SUCH PREPOSTEROUS ALLEGATIONS. SURELY YOU DON'T BELIEVE THEM.

IF YOU'RE NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR THE ALLEGATIONS AGAINST ME, HOW DO YOU KNOW ABOUT THEM?

IT'S JUST PEOPLE TRYING TO CREATE MISUNDERSTANDING BETWEEN US.

PEOPLE OR PERSON?

YOU'RE RIGHT AZHA GUP. KUENGA IS THE GUY BEHIND ALL THIS.

AUM CHIMI WANTS TO KNOW HOW AP DOLAY'S BUSINESS WITH KUENGA IS GOING. AP DOLAY WANTS TO KEEP FAMILY AND BUSINESS SEPARATE.

AP DOLAY, YOU'RE A MAN WITH INTEGRITY BUT AS FOR KUENGA, I'M VERY DOUBTFUL WE'RE GRATEFUL YOU LOOK AFTER US, AND YOU'RE MAKING A LOT OF PROFIT BUT... NOW WITH KUENGA...

I LIKE TO KEEP MY FAMILY AND BUSINESS AFFAIRS SEPARATE. DON'T WORRY, AUM CHIMI. IF YOU'RE SO WORRIED ABOUT MY REPUTATION AND THE FAMILY'S REPUTATION, THEN WE CAN SOLVE THIS WITH KUENGA RABTEN BECOMING A MEMBER OF THE FAMILY. HE'S THE RIGHT MAN FOR YESHEY.

YESHEY WILL NEVER AGREE. LET'S FORGET THIS IDEA AND GIVE OUR DAUGHTER A LIFE SHE WANTS.

DON'T WORRY, I'LL CONVINCE HER.

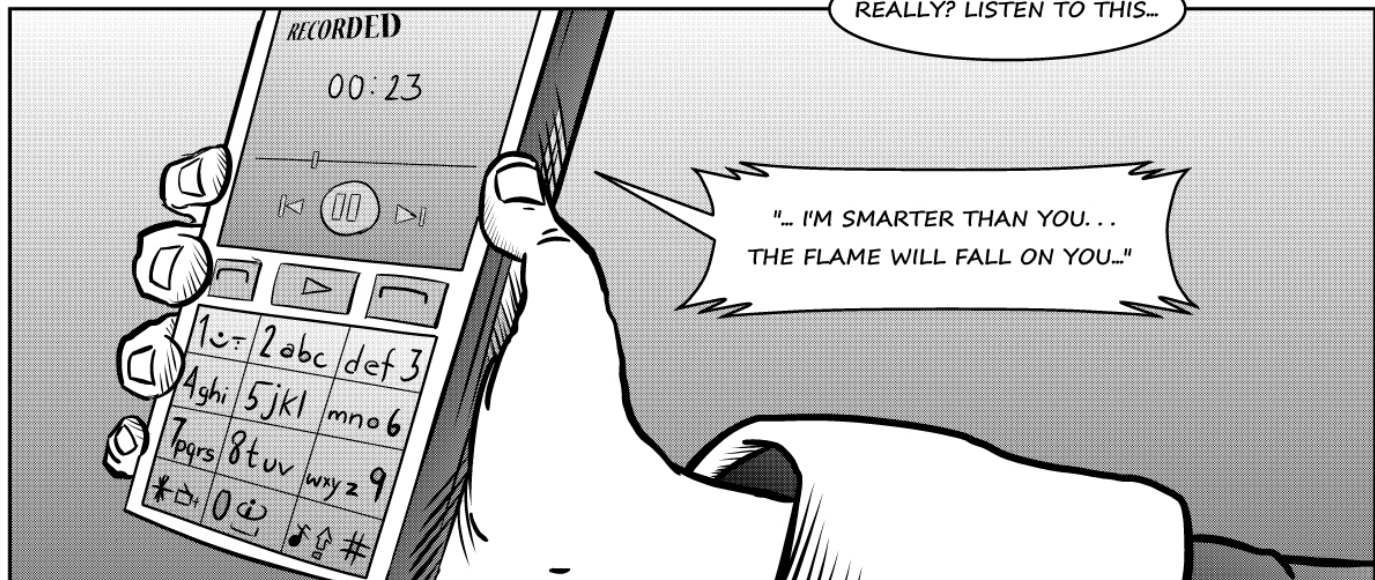
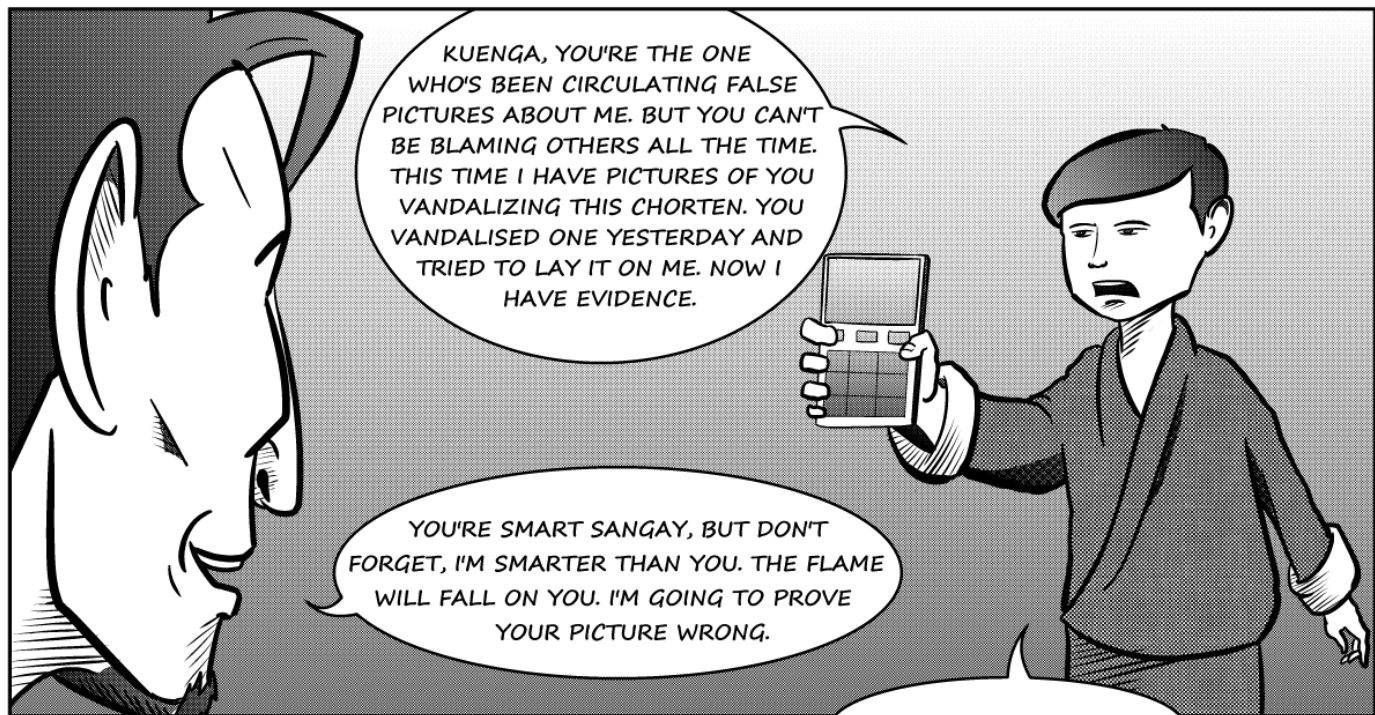


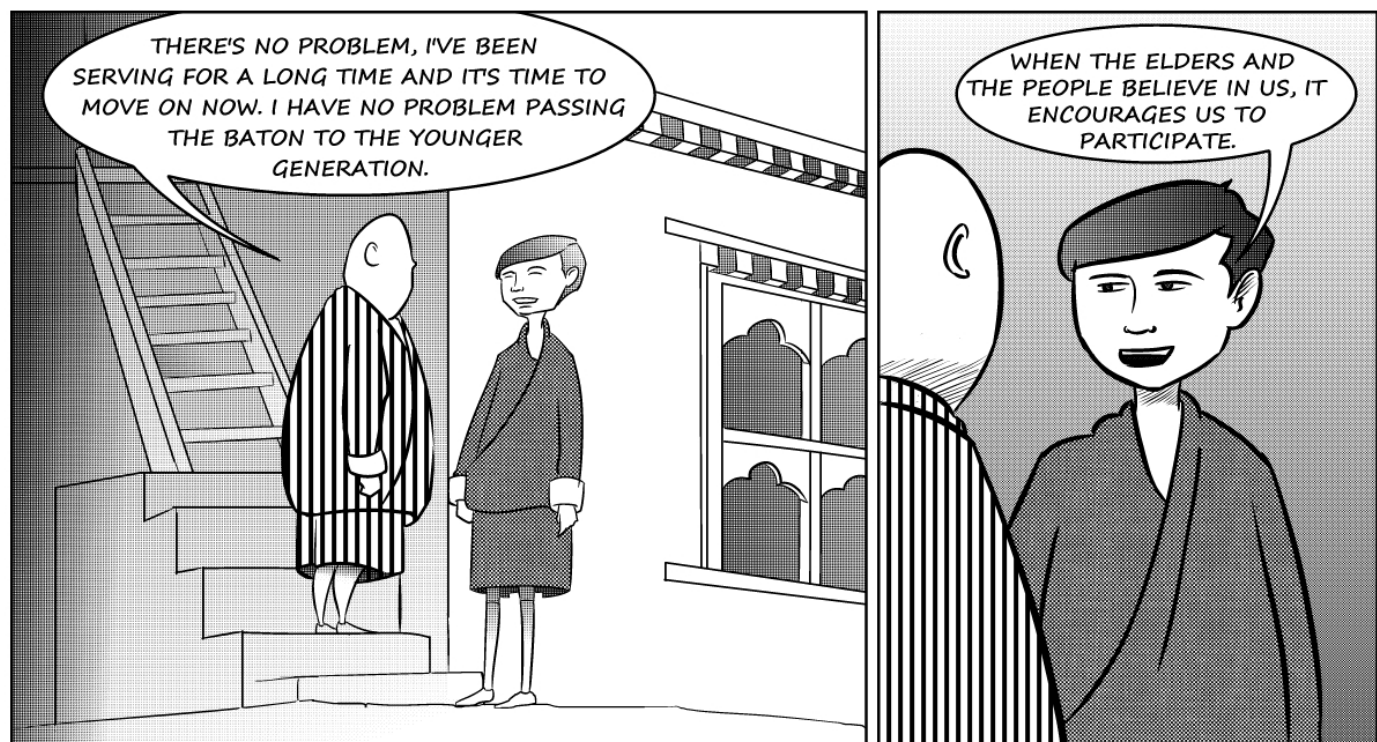
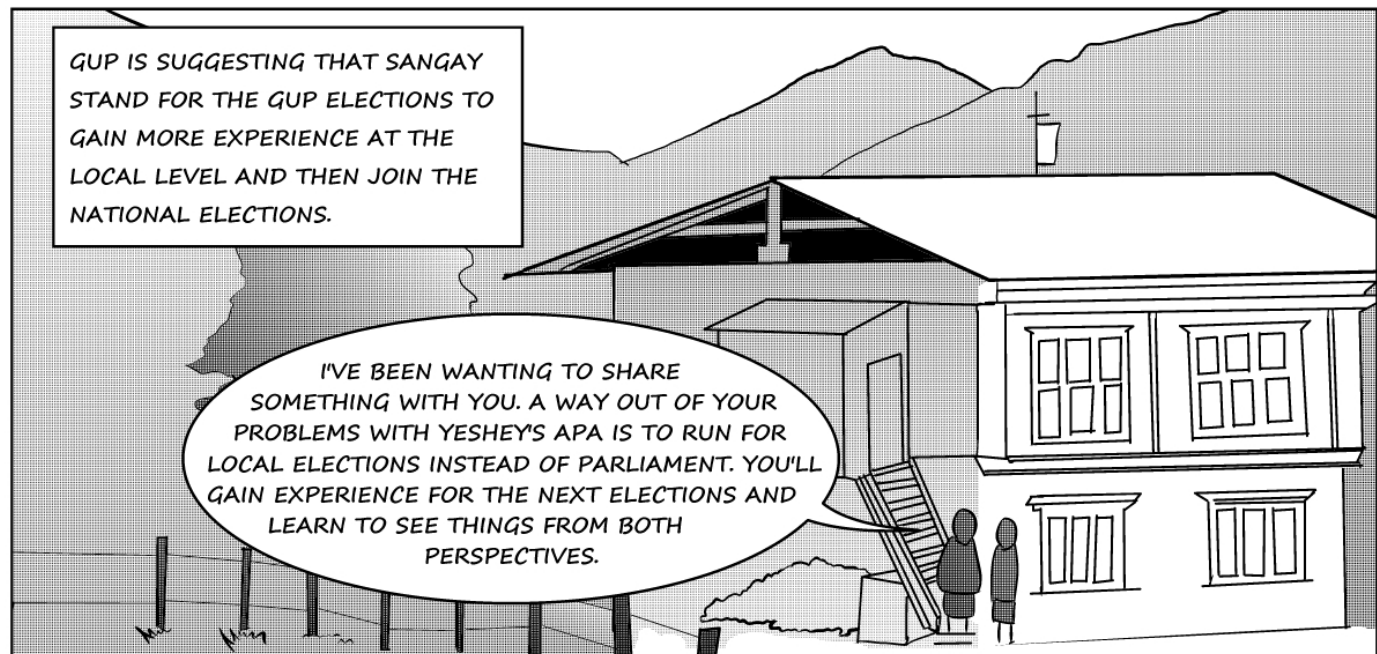
SANGAY AND GUP ARE TALKING ABOUT HOW OUR PEOPLE DON'T UNDERSTAND A HEALTHY DEBATE IS GOOD FOR THE COUNTRY.





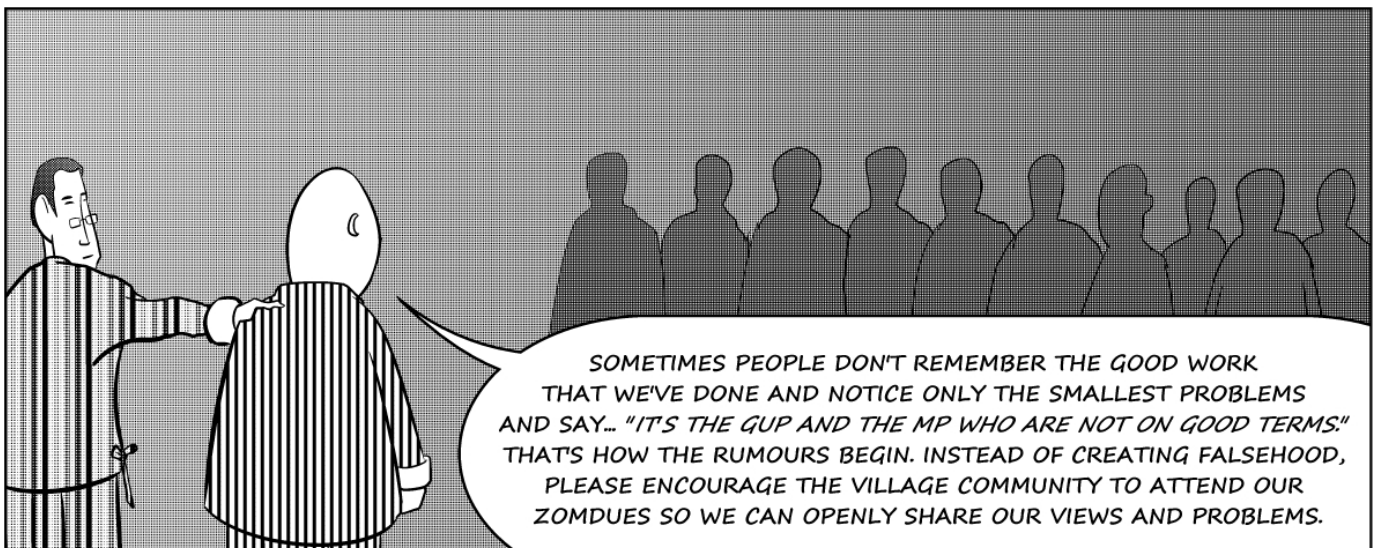
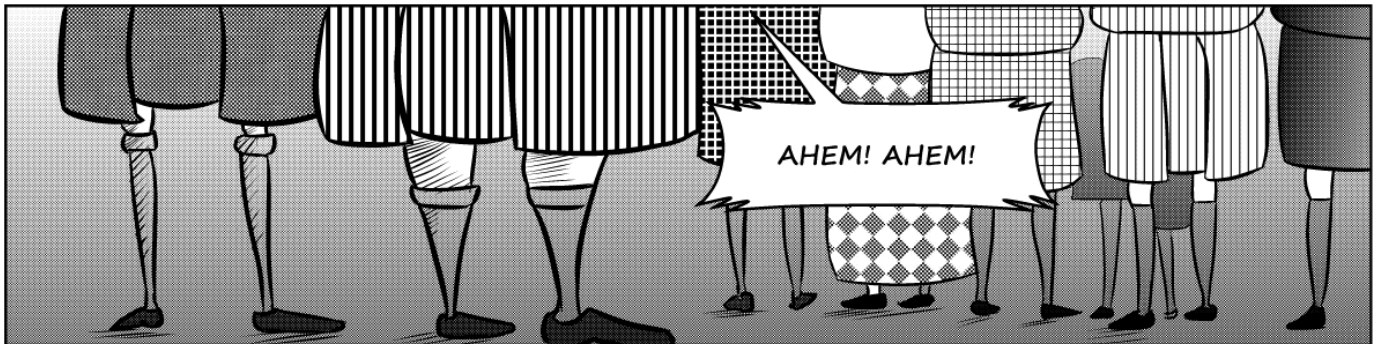


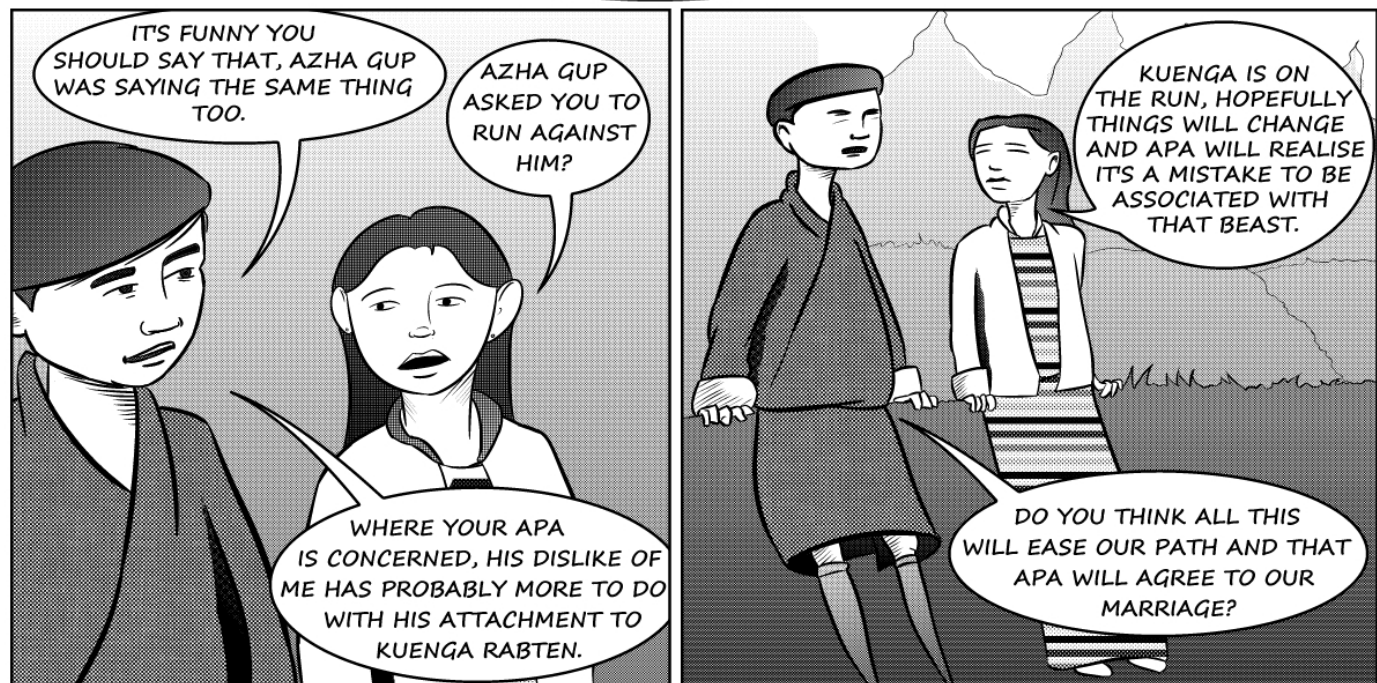
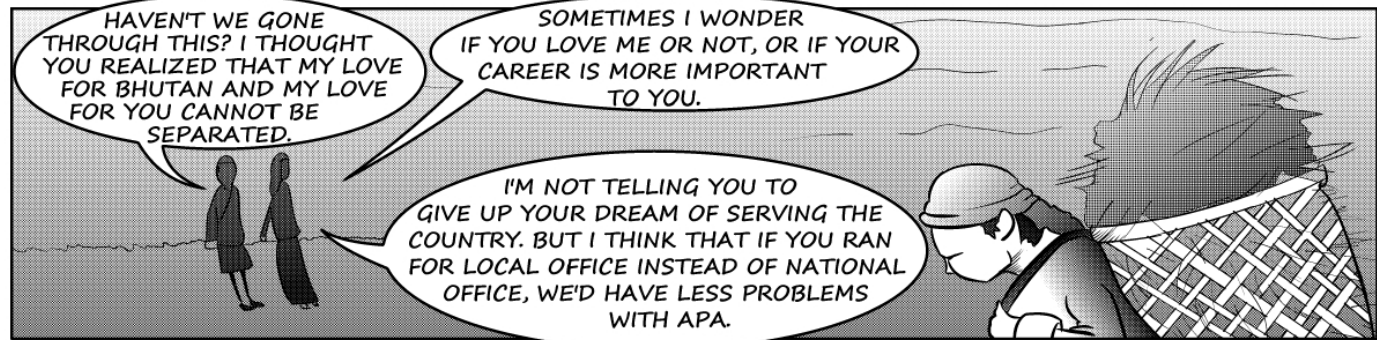
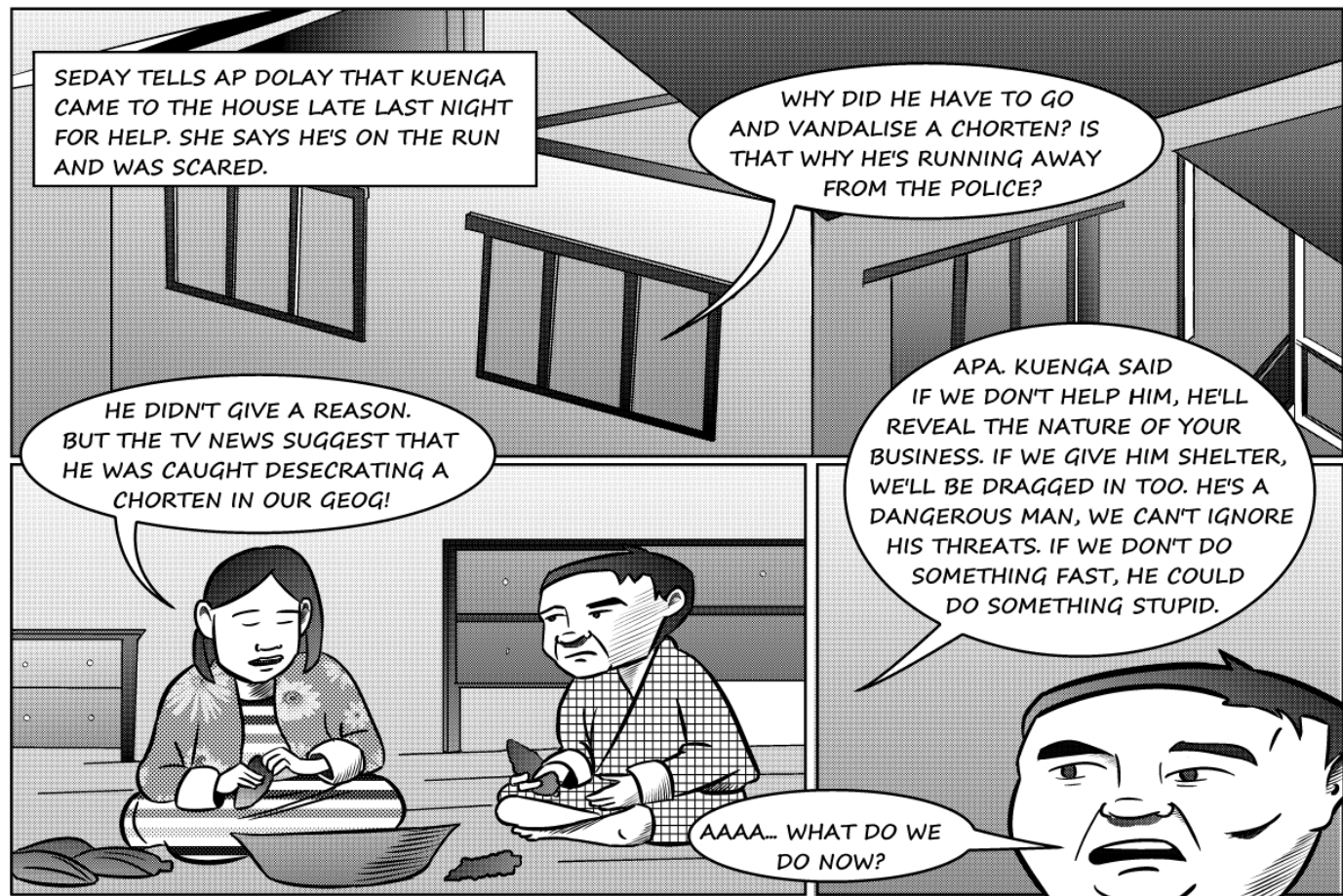






GUP AND DASHO ADDRESS THE RUMOR BETWEEN THE LOCAL AND NATIONAL REPRESENTATIVES. GUP SAYS THE GOOD WORK IS NOT ACKNOWLEDGED BUT LITTLE ISSUES ARE NOTICED AND RUMOURS ARE CREATED.





BACK AT THE GUP'S OFFICE.

I NEVER THOUGHT SUCH AN HOUR WOULD COME... AZHA GUP, I'VE BEEN CALLED UP TO THE ELECTION'S OFFICE AND TOLD TO GIVE BACK ALL THE MONEY I GOT FROM KUENGA RABTEN FOR MY CAMPAIGN.

DIDN'T YOU KNOW, INDIVIDUALS NOT ASSOCIATED WITH A PARTY ARE NOT ALLOWED TO RECEIEVE DONATIONS. AND YOU'RE NOT ALLOWED TO USE DONATIONS FOR CAMPAIGN PURPOSES. YOU'RE LUCKY YOU'RE NOT IN JAIL AS FOR KUENGA, WHEN THE AUTHORITIES FIND HIM, HE WILL CERTAINLY BE IN JAIL.

I'VE MADE A LOT OF MISTAKES. AND KUENGA IS THE SOURCE OF ALL MY WOES.

PHENTO ADMITS THAT KUENGA WAS THE PERSON WHO STARTED ALL THE SPECULATION ABOUT SANGAY TRYING TO BUY VOTES, AND ABOUT AZHA GUP USING GOVERNMENT FUNDS TO FINANCE SANGAY'S CAMPAIGN.

AZHA GUP, PLEASE GIVE ME A JOB. ANY JOB. OTHERWISE, I KNOW WHAT JOB I'LL HAVE TO ADOPT.

WHAT'LL THAT BE?

SOB...
SOB...

THE JOB OF A BEGGAR. I'LL BE ON THE STREETS!

IN AP DOLAYS HOUSEHOLD.

YOU KNOW YOUR APA WANTED A MARRIAGE BETWEEN YOU AND KUENGA RABTEN FOR SO LONG. HE'S NOT GOING TO AGREE YOU TO MARRYING SANGAY.

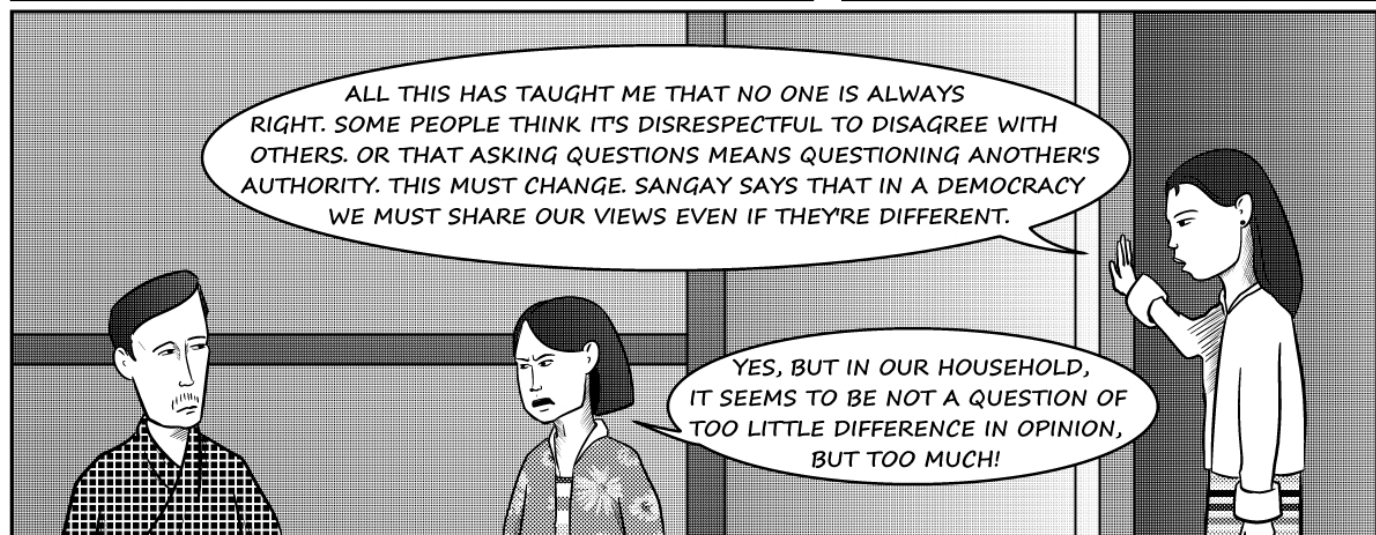
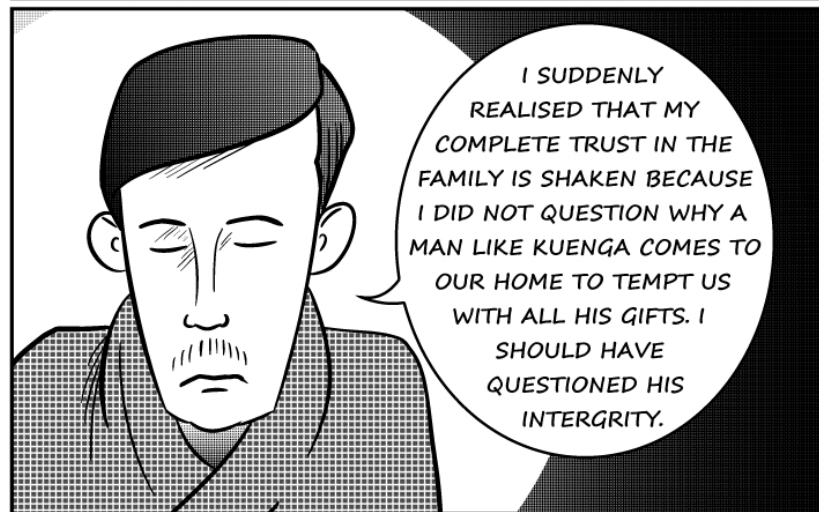
AMA....

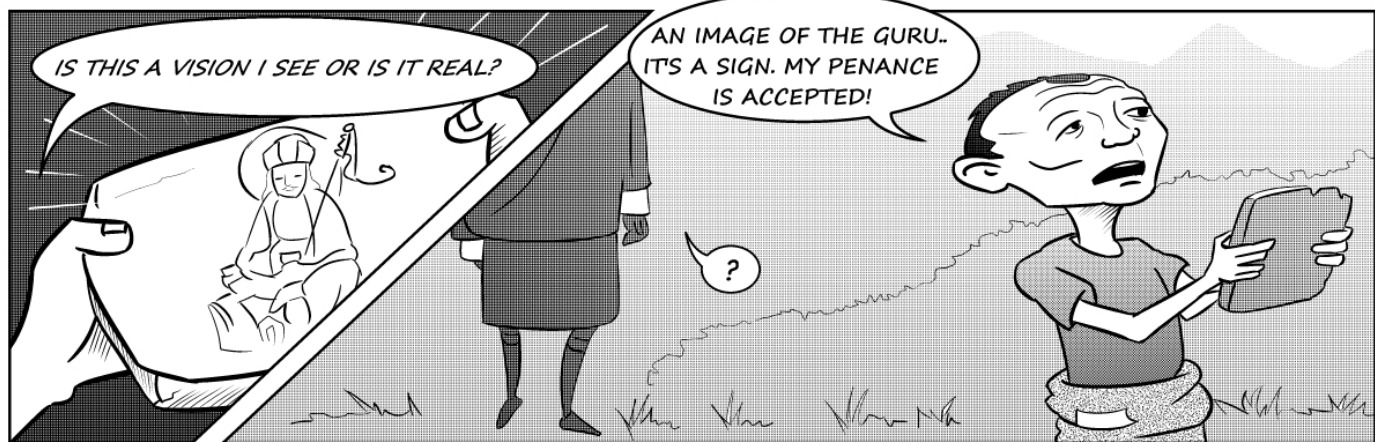
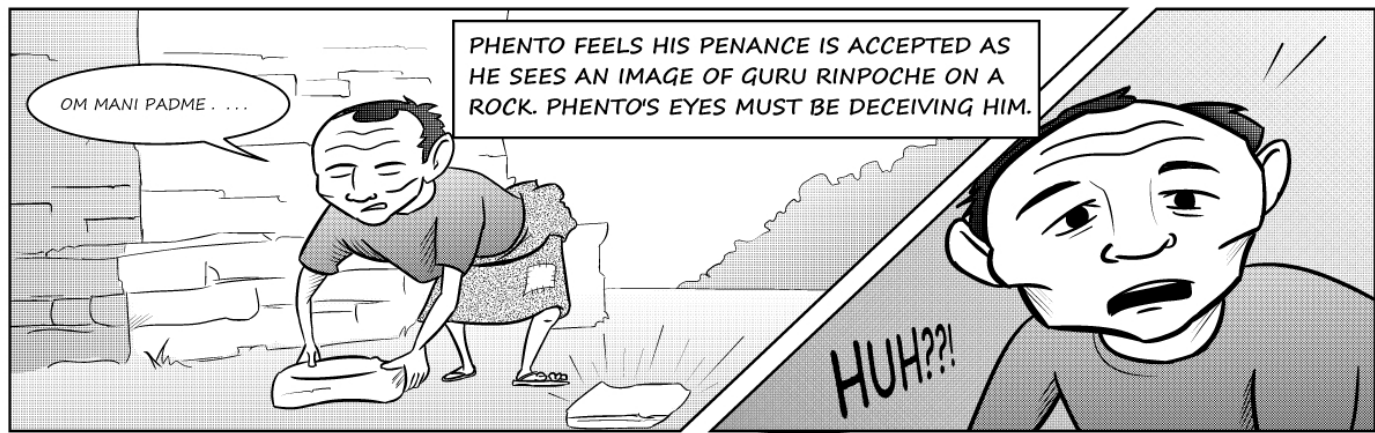
AND WITH KUENGA ON THE RUN, YOU NEVER KNOW WHAT A CORNERED MAN WILL REVEAL OR SAY. I'M AFRAID KUENGA RABTEN IS GOING TO GIVE APA BIGGER PROBLEMS.

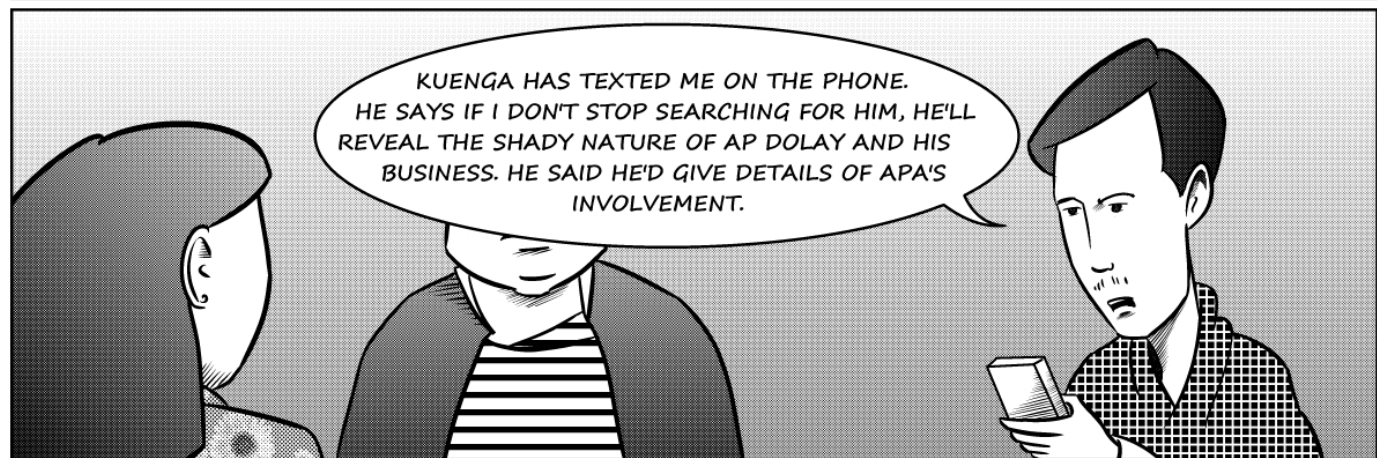
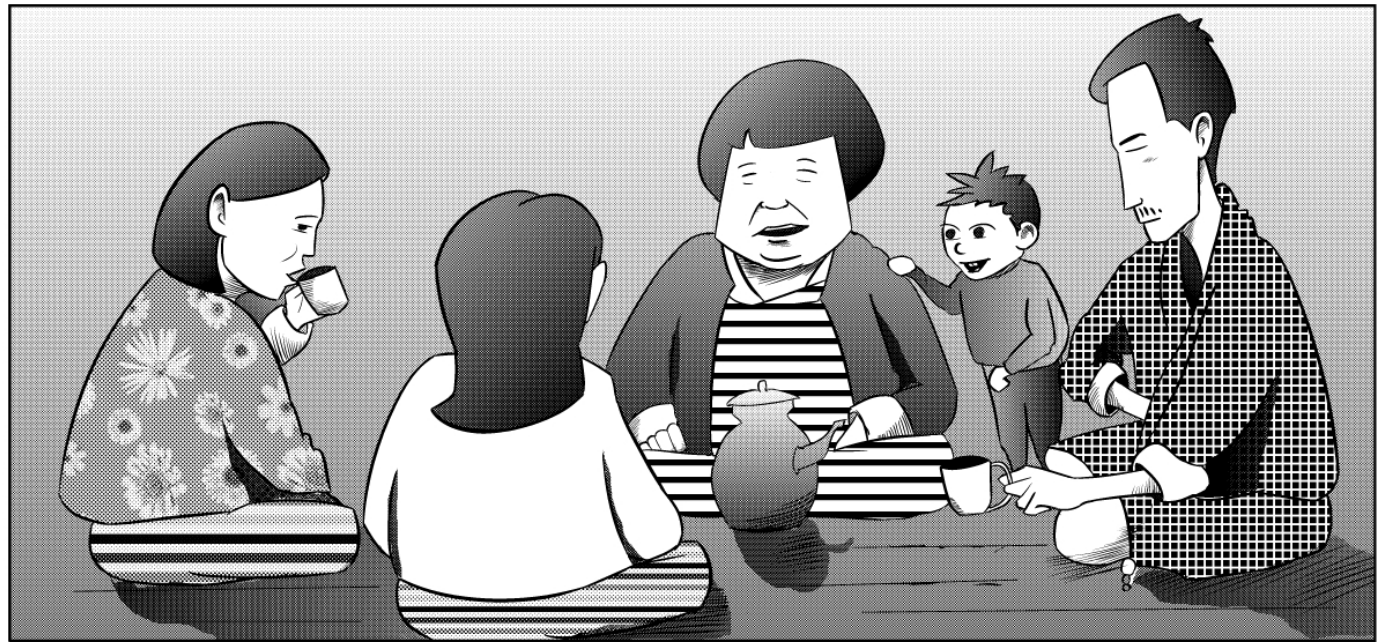
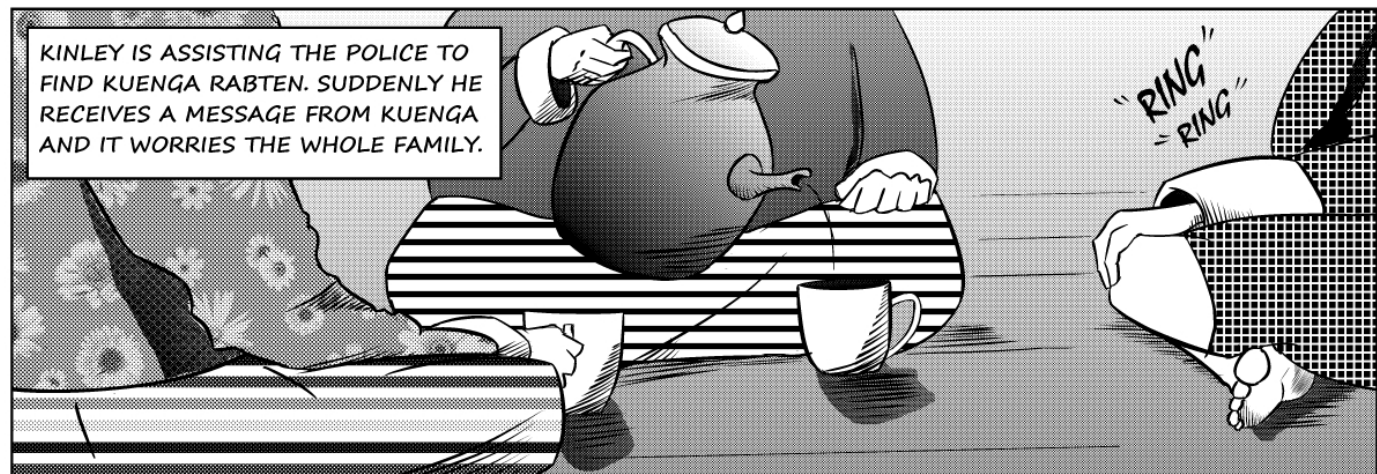


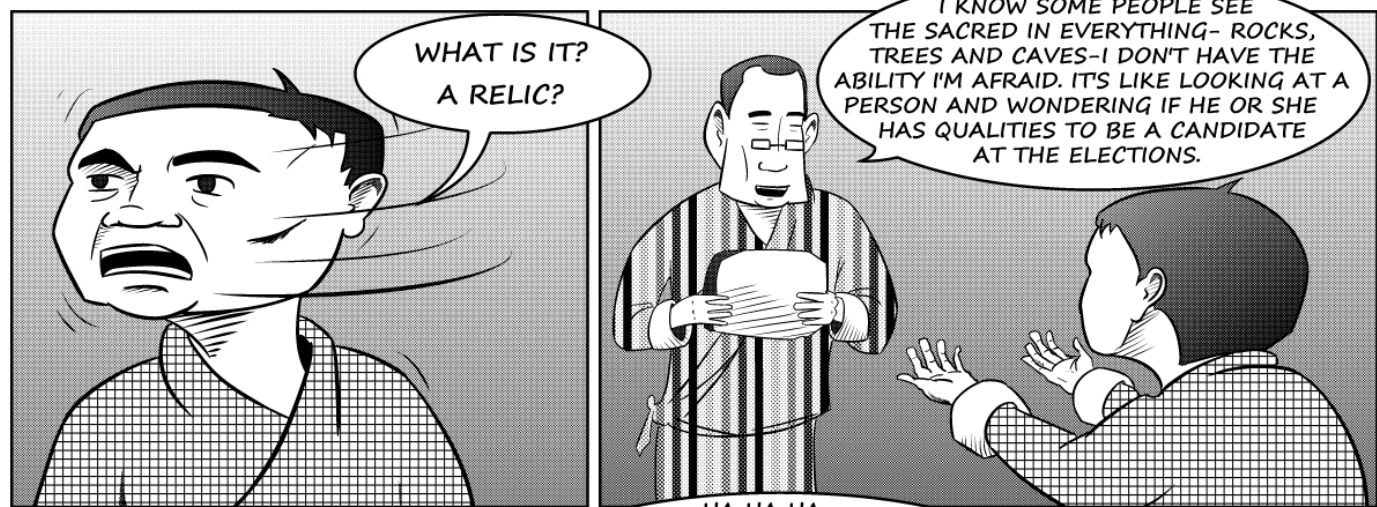
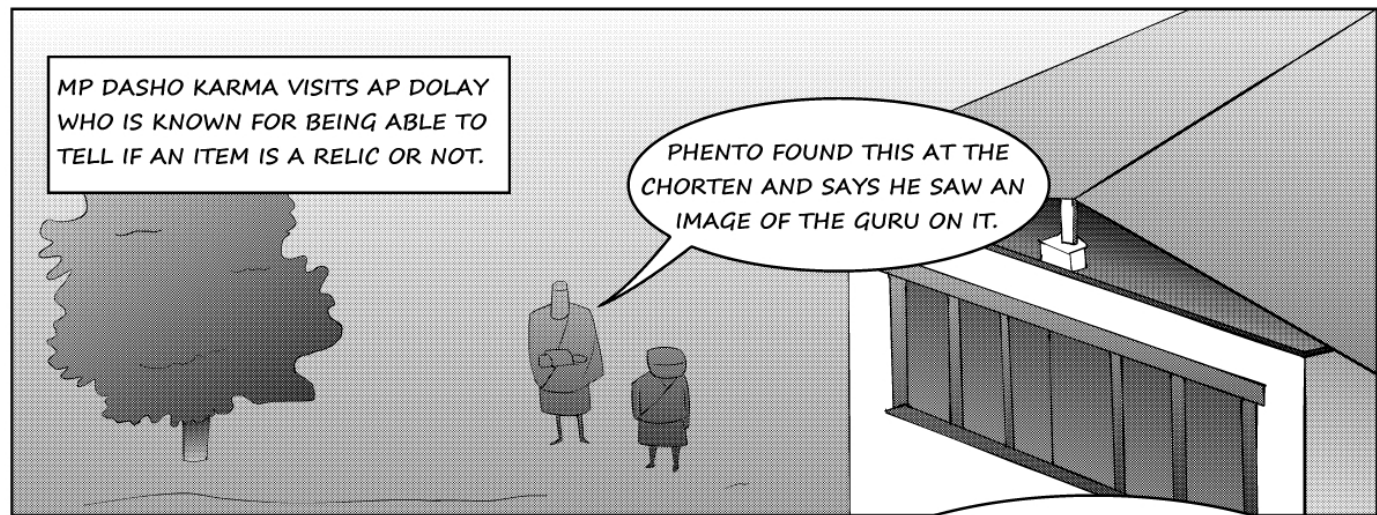






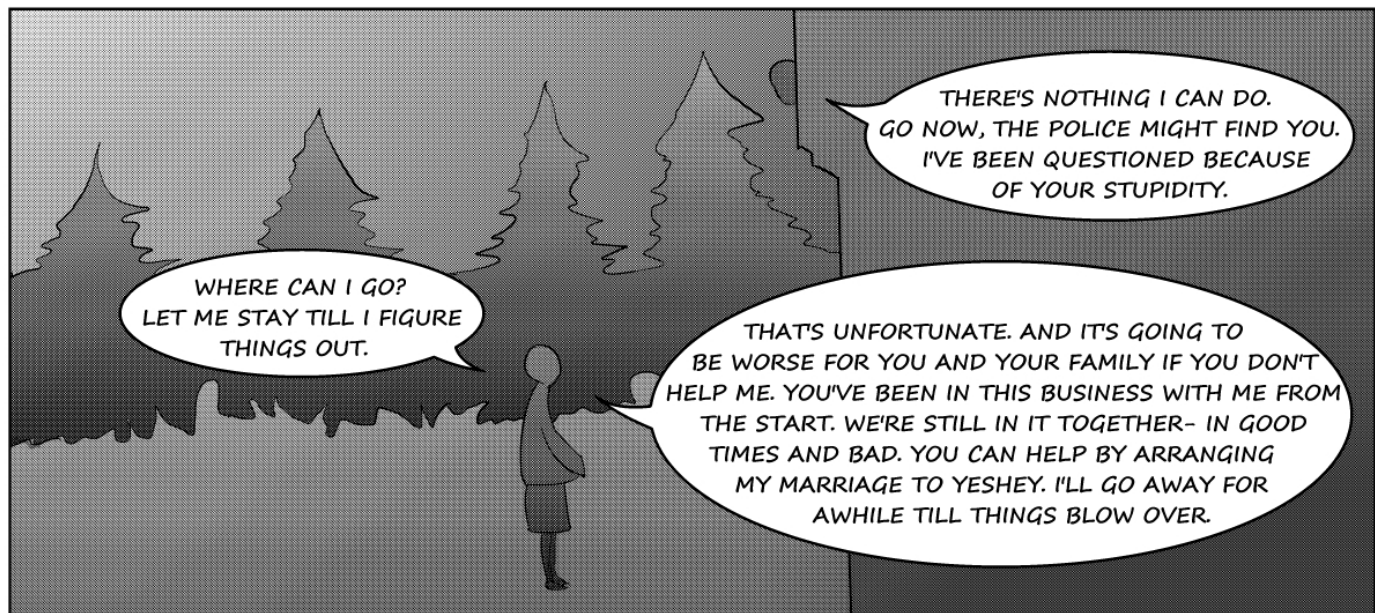












AP DOLAY CALLS SANGAY HOME.
SANGAY AND YESHEY ARE BOTH
NERVOUS.

SO SANGAY, YOU
WISH TO MARRY
MY DAUGHTER?

YES LA.
WE'VE KNOWN EACH
OTHER SINCE OUR
SCHOOL DAYS.

LET'S CLEAR SOME THINGS.
I'VE NOTHING AGAINST YOU
BUT I BELIEVED KUENGA WOULD
BE A BETTER MATCH FOR YESHEY.
WHO WOULD'VE THOUGHT HE'D TURN
OUT TO BE SUCH A BAD CHARACTER?
SECONDLY I DIDN'T LIKE YOU
OPPOSING MY COUSIN AS I THINK
DASHO KARMA IS DOING A
GOOD JOB AS MP.

I'VE ASPIRATIONS TO
SERVE MY CONSTITUENCY.
OUR COUNTRY IS GOING
THROUGH INTERESTING
TIMES, THE INITIAL YEARS OF
DEMOCRACY. WE'RE SHAPING
HISTORY. TILL NOW, WE'VE BEEN
SUBJECTS OF OUR BENEVOLENT
KINGS AND NOW, I FEEL THE
TIME HAS COME FOR CITIZENS
TO PLAY THEIR PART, BE IT IN
VOTING FOR THE RIGHT
CANDIDATE OR OFFERING
ONESELF AS A CHOICE FOR
A CANDIDATE.

BUT IF YOU WERE ELECTED,
IT WOULD MEAN HE'LL NOT BE
AN MP ANYMORE. THAT'S
OPPOSING HIM ISN'T IT?

NOT REALLY.
HE HAS HIS PLANS
AND I HAVE MINE. IF THE
PEOPLE BELIEVE IN HIS
PLANS, THEY'LL ELECT HIM
AND VICE VERSA. IF HE'S
ELECTED, I'D WISH HIM WELL.
THE WHOLE IDEA OF
DEMOCRACY IS TO OFFER
CHOICES. IF IT WERE NOT
DASHO KARMA OR ME, IT
WOULD BE SOMEONE ELSE.
SO IT'S NOTHING PERSONAL.
IN SOME PLACES, WE
EVEN HAVE COUSINS
STANDING AGAINST
EACH OTHER!



