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were not very educated, and they were scared that if they broke off a marriage, their kids' futures would be in jeopardy. Now that they are more educated and financially stable, they can break off a relationship if they are not satisfied.

Rafi: Did you both have an argument serious enough to make you both stop speaking to each other?

Sabnam: That happened once. Some time after we started going out, we faced some very serious issues, which caused us to break up. We had no contact with each other for eight months. Seven months after the breakup, my father passed away. A few days before his death, he called Opu to our house. I was abroad at the time.

Rafi: Did your parents know about the relationship?

Sabnam: Yes, they both knew. My parents were like friends to me. I shared

there, and when I got to the ground floor, he was in the departmental store. The way we got back together was also very strange. Some time after my father passed away, I was going to go out of the country for shooting. So, I went to do some shopping. When I was about to go, I ran into him. I asked if he wanted to go have lunch with me. We went to lunch and had a good time. After that, he was stuck in my head for quite some time. A few days later, I gave him a call. At the end of the trip, I went to buy something for him.

Opu: I did not think much of that. After we broke up, she used to call me up sometimes when she got depressed. Since her father died, and I knew how bad that felt, I decided to talk to her. But somehow after she returned, she said that she wanted to meet me. She then told me about how she was facing pressure from her family about marriage.

Sabnam: After my father passed away, my mother was anxious. She was scared about what would happen to me when she will be gone. A few days after that, his

family members came to my house with *mishti* to talk to my mother. Later, all his family members came for the engagement ceremony. After that, everything went very smoothly.

Rafi: It was very nice to hear about your love story. I hope you both will have a very happily married life together. Now tell me Opu, what made you see Sabnam as the one for you, and what made you think that Opu is the one for you, Sabnam?

Opu: I have no specific reason. She has a beautiful smile that you can never say no to. She can make you do anything with that smile. She is extremely honest and straightforward. This is both good and bad. Sometimes, it hurts when she says something directly, but at other times, I'm happy that she does. She is someone that pays a lot of attention to her career, and supports mine too. She always thinks of the future, is very organised and cares about her family a lot.

Sabnam: One thing that I really like is that he is a very simple person. Even if something bad happens, he can keep his cool and brush it off. He is extremely caring about his family. One thing that my mother always told me is that a man who respects his mother will respect his sister, and a man that can respect his mother and sister will definitely respect

his wife and child. Another thing that I really love about him is his sense of humour. He is also

very handsome, I'm sure everyone can already see that (laughs). He really tries to like the things I like. I like it when men dressed up, so now he puts an effort into his outfits. He never cared about things like his shoes and belts matching, but now he does because I like it. He really gives preference to my likings, and I really appreciate it.

Rafi: It was really nice talking to you both. I am sure your married life will be very happy.

Tell me Opu, does it make you jealous to see all her male fans?

Opu: Not jealous, but it can get awkward sometimes. Now, I don't go to her Facebook page as it is filled with comments from people who are attracted to her. I have accepted that this will happen because she is a celebrity.

Rafi: Sabnam, do you have any parting message for your fans?

Sabnam: I am very grateful to all of my fans. Before my marriage, many people warned me that it would cause my fan following to drop. But my fans have been very supportive, and I really appreciate that. Without my fans, I would not be where I am today.

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everything with them. So, my father knew about our relationship. I heard how he called Opu to our house to talk to him before his death. Shortly afterwards, my father-in-law fell sick, and I met him in the hospital for the first time. He passed away soon after that.

Rafi: Opu, did your father know about your relationship?

Opu: He knew about our relationship. My father and Sabnam never met before that, but spoke on the phone regularly. I used to go to bed really late, and wake up late as well. So, she would call me in the morning to wake me up. She used to call the landline, so my father would pick the phone up and would talk to her for five to ten minutes before waking me up.

Rafi: What did Sabnam's father tell you?

Opu: He told me that we should solve our problems, and even if we couldn't, we should find closure. He somehow found out that I was hurting badly from our breakup, and also saw that his daughter was hurting as well.

Sabnam: When we broke up, he was even more depressed than I was. We both went to a bad place during those eight months.

Rafi: What caused you both to get temporarily separated?

Sabnam: There were a lot of issues. He was going through a transition period during that time. His father had just passed away and he changed his job. He had a lot of responsibilities that I couldn't adjust to.

Opu: The strange thing is, during those eight months, every time she came to Banani, she would run into me. My office was there, so I went there everyday. If she went there by chance, I would run into her.

Sabnam: It would happen that I would go to a restaurant he had gone to pick food up from, or I had gone to a salon

