





A Book in Every Child's Hand

Level 2

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Once there lived a man called Ram. He was known as Hatchuram because whenever he sneezed he made a big sound. Ha-aaa-tchu.



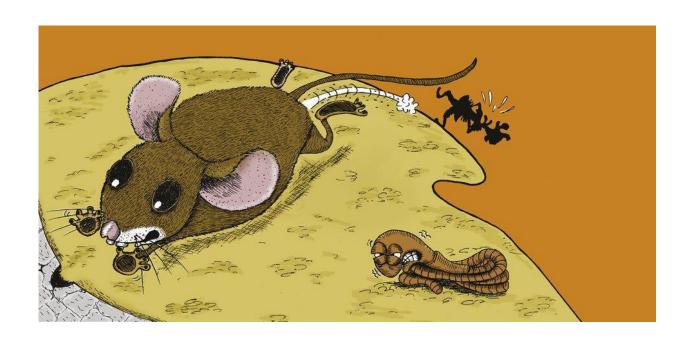
And the sound only got louder with every sneeze. Hatchu HatCHU HATCHU! Malli, the baby, bounced with Hatchuram's hatchu hatchu. Jaggu, the boy, dropped his ice cream with Hatchuram's hatchu hatchu.



Shiva, the milkman, fell off the cycle with Hatchuram's hatchu hatchu. Appan, the old man, fainted with Hatchuram's hatchu hatchu.



Kaka, the crow, shivered with Hatchuram's hatchu hatchu. Nutty, the coconut, fell off the tree with Hatchuram's hatchu hatchu. Dorai, the dog climbed up the tree with Hatchuram's hatchu hatchu.



Wriggly, the earthworm, curled up with Hatchuram's hatchu hatchu. Musuka, the mouse, ran into a hole with Hatchuram's hatchu hatchu.



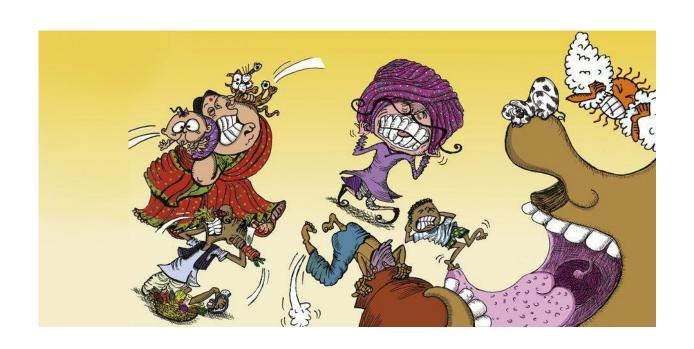
Pihu, the peacock, shed its feather with Hatchuram's hatchu hatchu. Matsya, the fish, jumped out of the water with Hatchuram's hatchu hatchu.



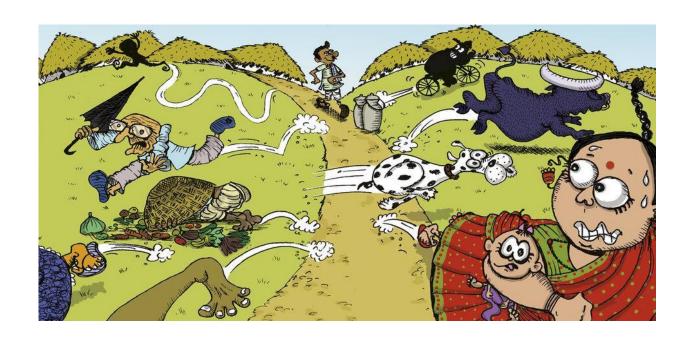
Balwan, the buffalo, squinted with Hatchuram's hatchu hatchu. Kutti, the clown, cartwheeled with Hatchuram's hatchu hatchu.



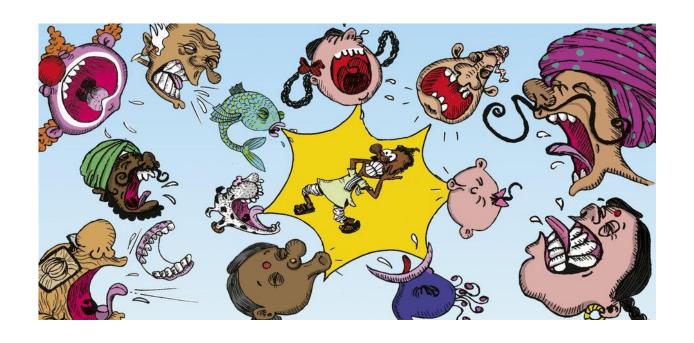
Chakraa, the giant wheel, stopped with Hatchuram's hatchu hatchu. Surya, the sun, hid behind the clouds with Hatchuram's hatchu hatchu.



People were scared of Hatchuram's hatchu hatchu. Covering their ears didn't work.



Running away didn't help. Hiding also didn't help. Then what did everyone do with Hatchuram?



They did not do anything with Hatchuram. Instead, they started sneezing louder than him. Ha-aaa-tchu Ha-aaa-tchu Ha-aaa-tchu!



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