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This is a story about how some incidents in life bring us something very unexpected but blissful. Once upon a time, there lived a stout and strong boy named **Lifebuoy**. He decided to go on an adventurous trip. So, he planned to go on a trek to the **Himalayas**. To make it more interesting, his friend **Johnson** challenges him to complete this trip without the aid of any electronic device. Lifebuoy accepts this challenge and prepares himself to face all the difficulties in this trek. He uses the traditional wayfinding methods like map, compass, and of course, people. **Margo** was the first person on the way to show him some *marg*. Slowly but steadily, he made it closer and closer, one step at a time towards his destiny and his dream. Now he has to go through a dense **Forest essentially**, where he runs out of energy. Lifebuoy gets really hungry, and he finds no aid for food in the forest (because he was not *Bear Grylls*). Then suddenly he came across a **Pears** tree, and he decided to grab some fruits to satisfy his hunger. But tears came instead of peers because he fell from a tree so high and broke his thigh. Lifebuoy was very upset and “broken” both physically and mentally. He started fearing the loss and went into deep **Chinta-ol**. Shedding his tears, he sat hopelessly under the tree. And suddenly, he heard the sound of a **Santoor** being played in the distant wild. He followed the pleasant, melodious tone and reached a hut where he came across a beautiful and sweet girl, **Chandrika**. After hearing his story, she gave him some **Dettol** and performed the first-aid and took him to the nearest Saint **Patanjali**, who gave him a medicinal mix (**Medimix**) to cure his wound. The saint blessed them both, “**Ayushmaaan Bhava**”. Lifebuoy felt rejuvenated and was truly grateful to Chandrika, and asked her if she could accompany him on his trek as a token of thanks. She agrees with a kind heart and continues the trek with him. After prolonged efforts and determination, they successfully completed the trek. Then came the time when they had to return to their places. It was a bittersweet moment for both of them, because over the journey they had built a deep understanding and a gentle **fLux** of connection through every sukh-dukh that they shared together. They realised they were truly made for each other, celebrating one another’s victories and standing strong in moments of failure. This trek not only fulfilled Lifebuoy’s dream but also gifted him a lifelong companion Chandrika, their bond sealed with the soft, harmonious magic of a **Dove**.

Life often surprises us with obstacles and hardships, yet it graces us with moments of joy and unexpected blessings. Every challenge/ tough luck is just a silent whisper of the good fortune approaching us!

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Cast of the story:

1. Lifebuoy – Male Protagonist, the brave adventurer
2. Johnson – Lifebuoy’s friend and challenger
3. Margo – The helpful guide
4. Pears – The fruit tree (source of hunger and hurt)
5. Cinthol – Symbol of *Chinta*, hopeless phase
6. Santoor – Musical instrument that leads Lifebuoy to help
7. Chandrika – Female Protagonist, the sweet and kind-hearted girl
8. Dettol – disinfectant
9. Saint Patanjali – The wise healer and spiritual guide
10. Medimix – The herbal medicine
11. Ayush – The blessing of wellness
12. Lux – Symbol of understanding (Flux)
13. Dove – The bird symbolising love
14. Himalaya – The setting of the entire trek
15. Forest Essentials – The tough patch of the trek

