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for CHANGE

SUNDARIAN ADVENTURES



**MYSTERY OF THE
MISSING WATER**

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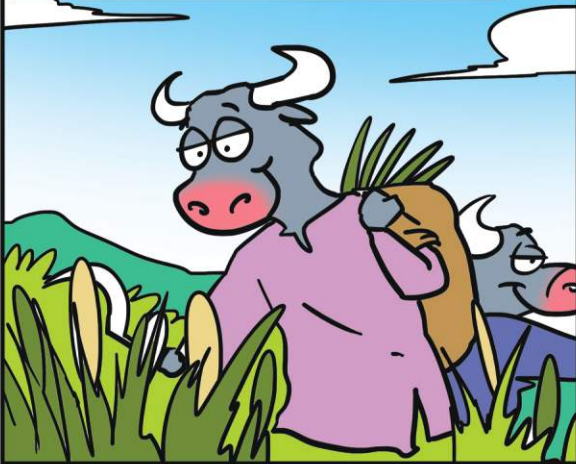


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IN A LAND FAR AWAY, THERE WAS A FOREST NAMED SUNDARVAN.
AND WITHIN SUNDARVAN, THERE WAS A LITTLE VILLAGE.

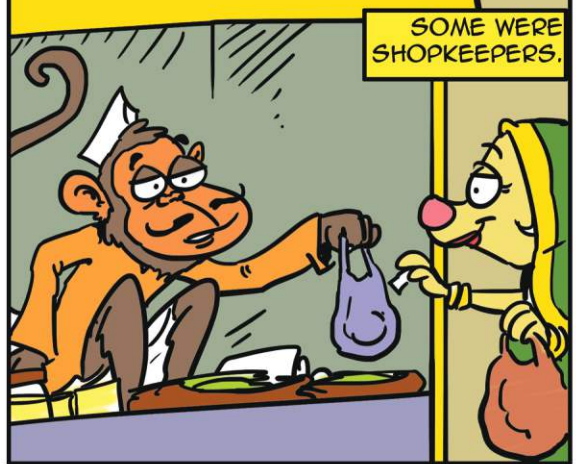


THE VILLAGERS LIVED A SIMPLE LIFE.
SOME WERE FARMERS.



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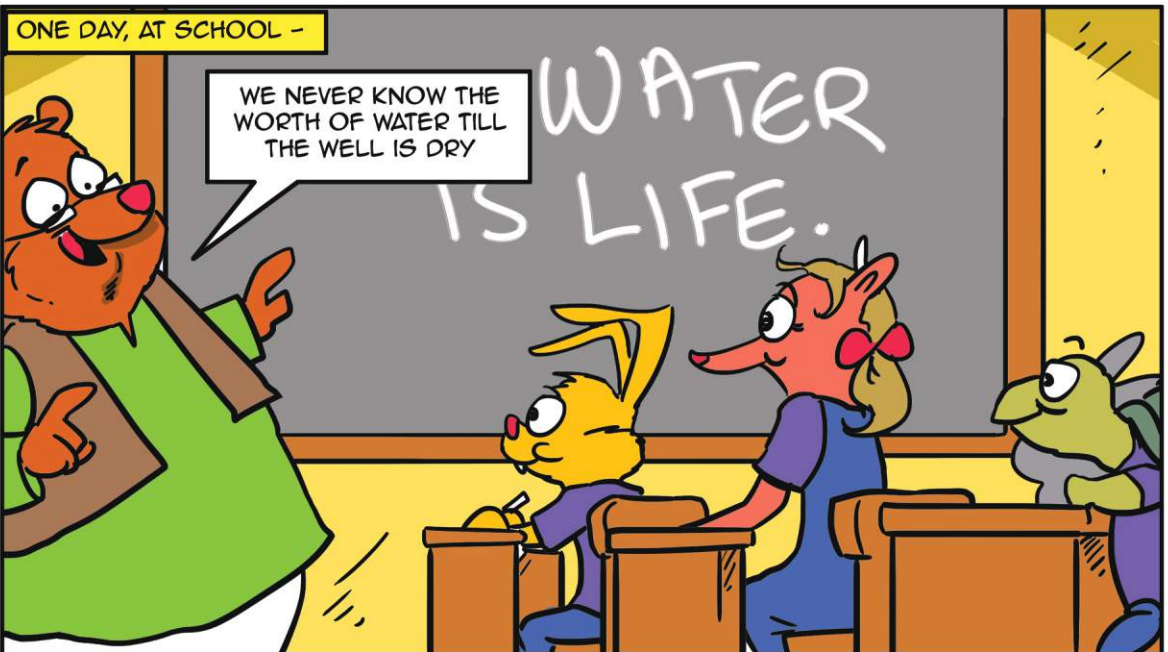
SOME WERE
SHOPKEEPERS.



ONE DAY, AT SCHOOL -

WE NEVER KNOW THE
WORTH OF WATER TILL
THE WELL IS DRY

WATER
IS LIFE.



COME, LET'S MEET OUR
LITTLE HEROES -

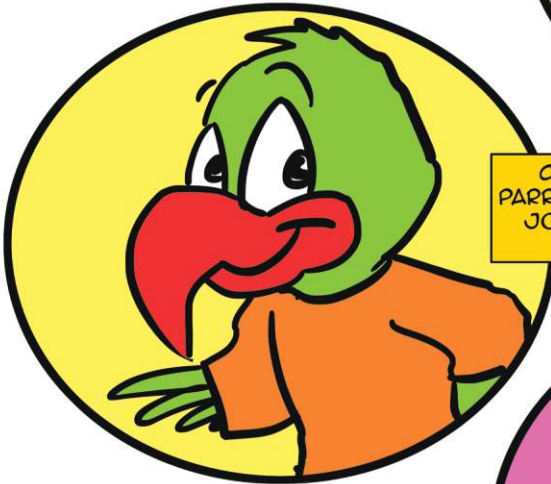


THIS IS ADI, THE LEADER OF THE
PACK. A FUN LOVING LITTLE RABBIT,
WHO LOVES HELPING OTHERS!

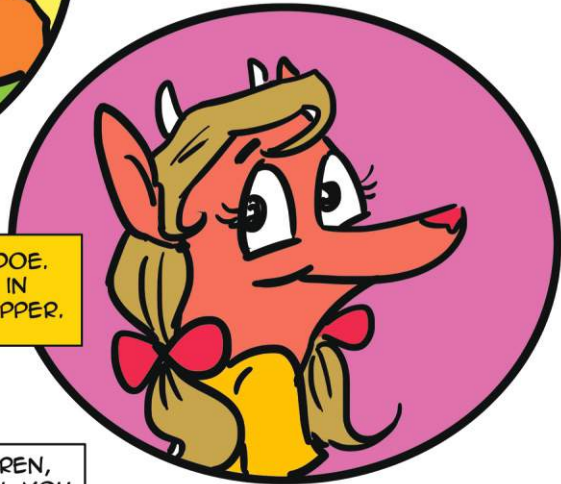
HERE'S GOLU, THE TORTOISE. HE
MAYBE A BIT SLOW ON THE FIELD, BUT
HE'S QUICK TO THINK UP A PLAN.



CHEENU THE
PARROT. THE LITTLE
JOKER OF THE
GROUP.



AND ROLI, THE PRETTY LITTLE DOE.
SHE'S THE FASTEST RUNNER IN
SUNDARVAN AND THE CLASS TOPPER.



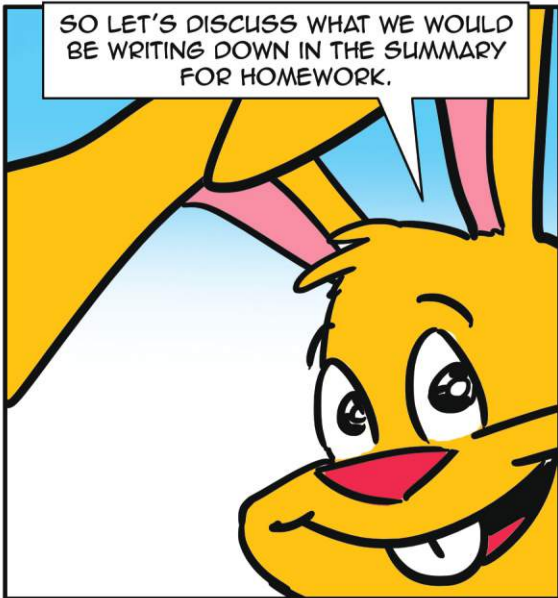
THERE GOES THE BELL! CHILDREN,
WRITE DOWN A SUMMARY OF ALL YOU
HAVE LEARNT TODAY IN CLASS.
THAT'S YOUR HOMEWORK!



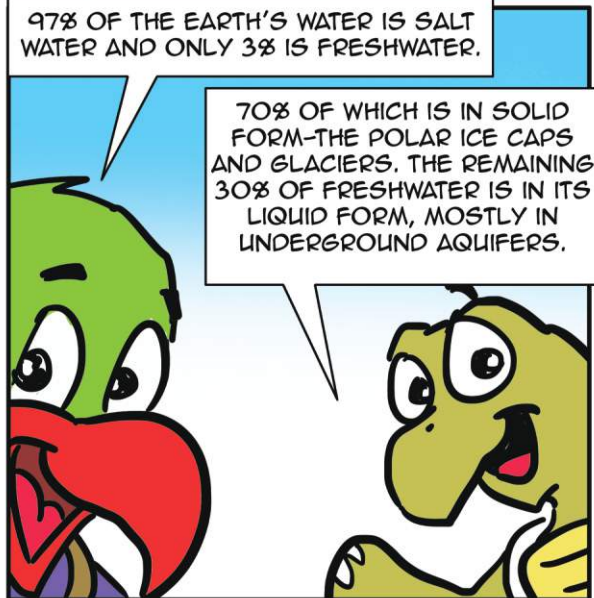


WE LEARNT SO MUCH ABOUT WATER CONSERVATION TODAY!

YES, WE ALL MUST DO OUR BIT TO SAVE THIS PRECIOUS RESOURCE.



SO LET'S DISCUSS WHAT WE WOULD BE WRITING DOWN IN THE SUMMARY FOR HOMEWORK.



97% OF THE EARTH'S WATER IS SALT WATER AND ONLY 3% IS FRESHWATER.

70% OF WHICH IS IN SOLID FORM-THE POLAR ICE CAPS AND GLACIERS. THE REMAINING 30% OF FRESHWATER IS IN ITS LIQUID FORM, MOSTLY IN UNDERGROUND AQUIFERS.



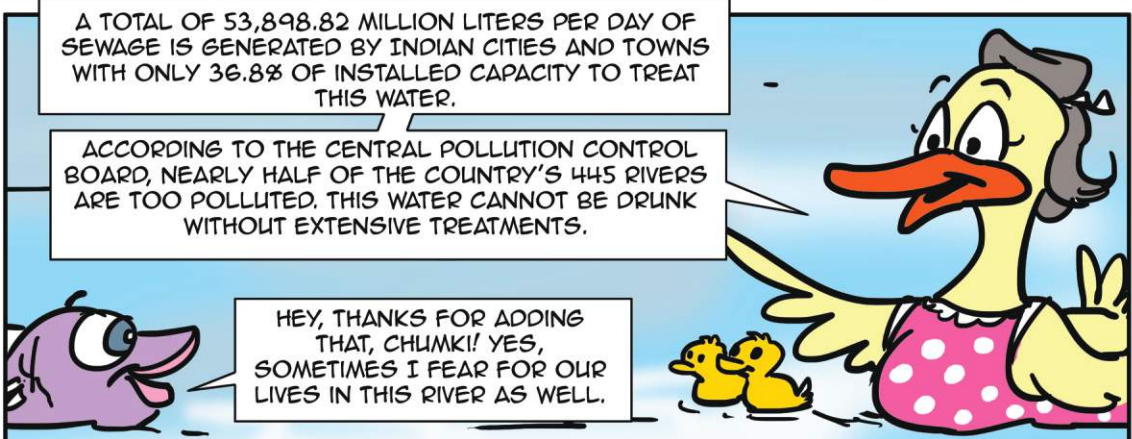
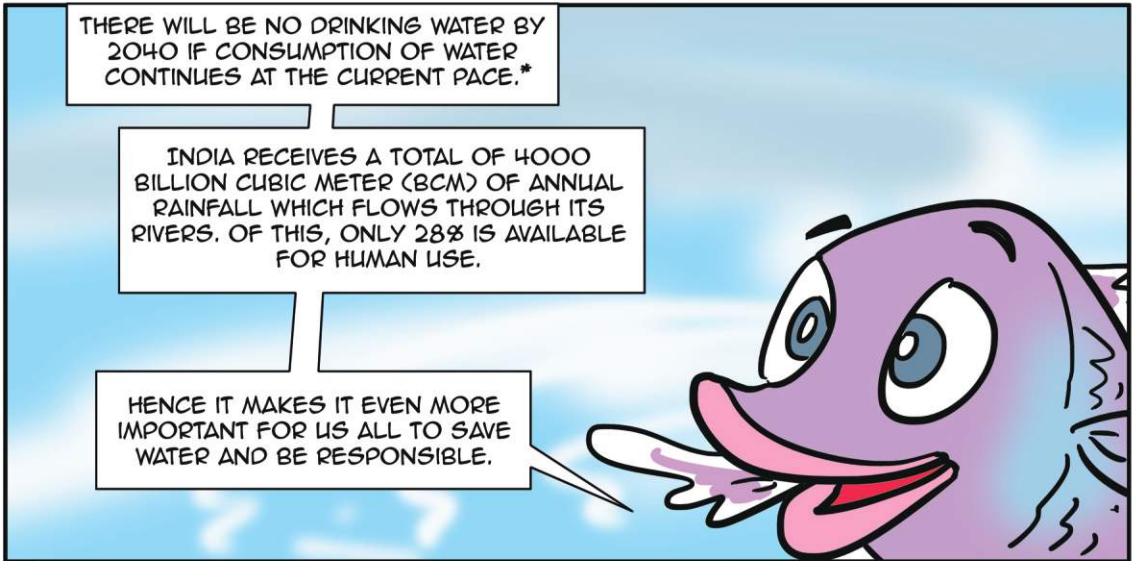
WAIT! LET'S ASK THE EXPERT IN THIS SUBJECT! SHE WILL GIVE US SOME MORE POINTS!

WHO ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT, ROLI?



YOU'LL SEE!

NEEELUUU!!



*According to Denmark's Aarhus University, Vermont Law School and the CNA Corporation

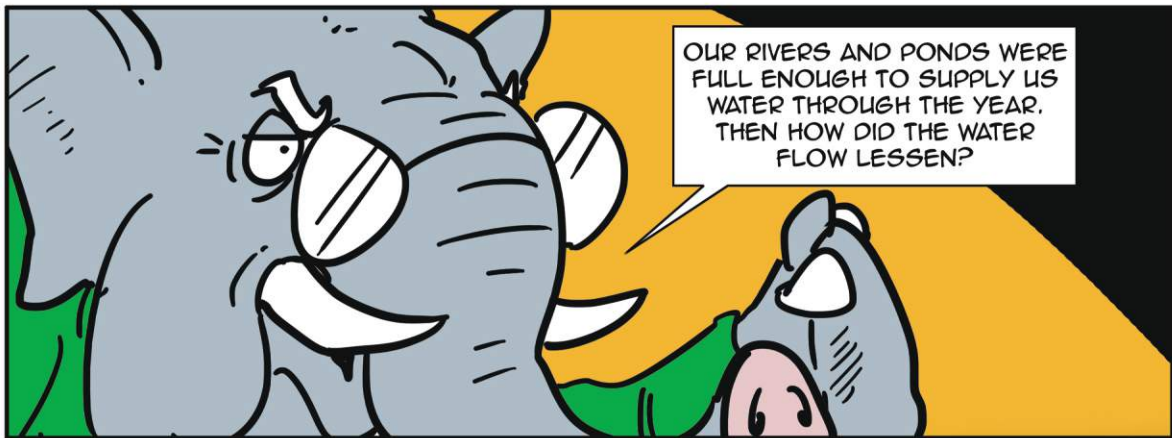


THE VILLAGE HEAD, SARPANCH HAATHI, CALLED FOR A QUICK MEETING AT HIS HOUSE -

THE SITUATION IS GRIM! WE HAVE NEVER FACED A PROBLEM LIKE THIS BEFORE!



OUR RIVERS AND PONDS WERE FULL ENOUGH TO SUPPLY US WATER THROUGH THE YEAR. THEN HOW DID THE WATER FLOW LESSEN?



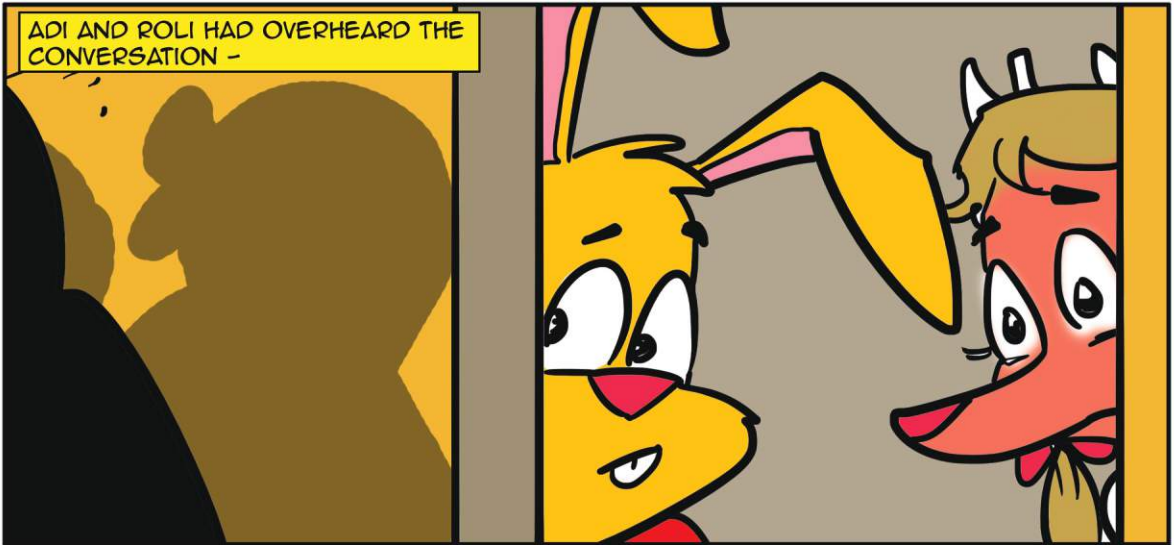
SARPANCH, SOMETHING MUST BE WRONG WITH THE PIPES. THERE'S NO OTHER EXPLANATION WHY WE'RE GETTING JUST A TRICKLE AND NOT A FULL FLOW OF SUPPLY.



I WANT YOU TO GO CHECK THE WATER PIPES AND GET THIS PROBLEM SOLVED AT THE EARLIEST!



ADI AND ROLI HAD OVERHEARD THE CONVERSATION -



NEXT MORNING -



GUYS, OUR VILLAGE IS FACING A WATER SHORTAGE. IT'S TIME WE DO OUR BIT!



HERE'S WHAT WE CAN DO! WHATEVER WE LEARNT IN SCHOOL ABOUT WATER CONSERVATION, WE EXECUTE. DOES THAT SOUND LIKE A PLAN?



THAT SOUNDS LIKE A GREAT PLAN! WE MUST SPREAD AWARENESS ACROSS OUR VILLAGE. LET'S GET STARTED RIGHT AWAY WITH OUR OWN HOMES!

LET'S GO!!

ADI'S HOME -



WHY DID YOU TURN THE TAP OFF, ADI?

DAD, DID YOU KNOW THAT SHAVING WITH RUNNING WATER ON FOR 5 MINS WASTES AROUND 42 LITRES OF WATER?



OUR VILLAGE IS FACING A WATER SHORTAGE. LET'S START BEING RESPONSIBLE FROM NOW ON AND DO OUR BEST TO CONSERVE WATER.



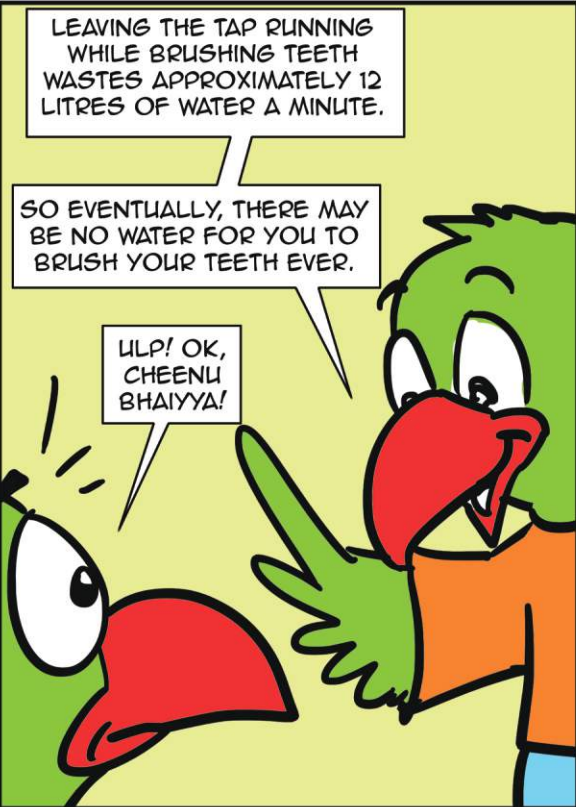
THANKS, SON! YOU HAVE MADE ME REALISE THIS!



CHEENU'S HOME -

YUM YUM SCRUB
SCRUB! I'LL HAVE
SHINY WHITE TEETH!

TURN THE WATER
OFF, LITTLE
BROTHER!



LEAVING THE TAP RUNNING
WHILE BRUSHING TEETH
WASTES APPROXIMATELY 12
LITRES OF WATER A MINUTE.

SO EVENTUALLY, THERE MAY
BE NO WATER FOR YOU TO
BRUSH YOUR TEETH EVER.

UHP! OK,
CHEENU
BHAIIYA!



GOLU'S HOME -

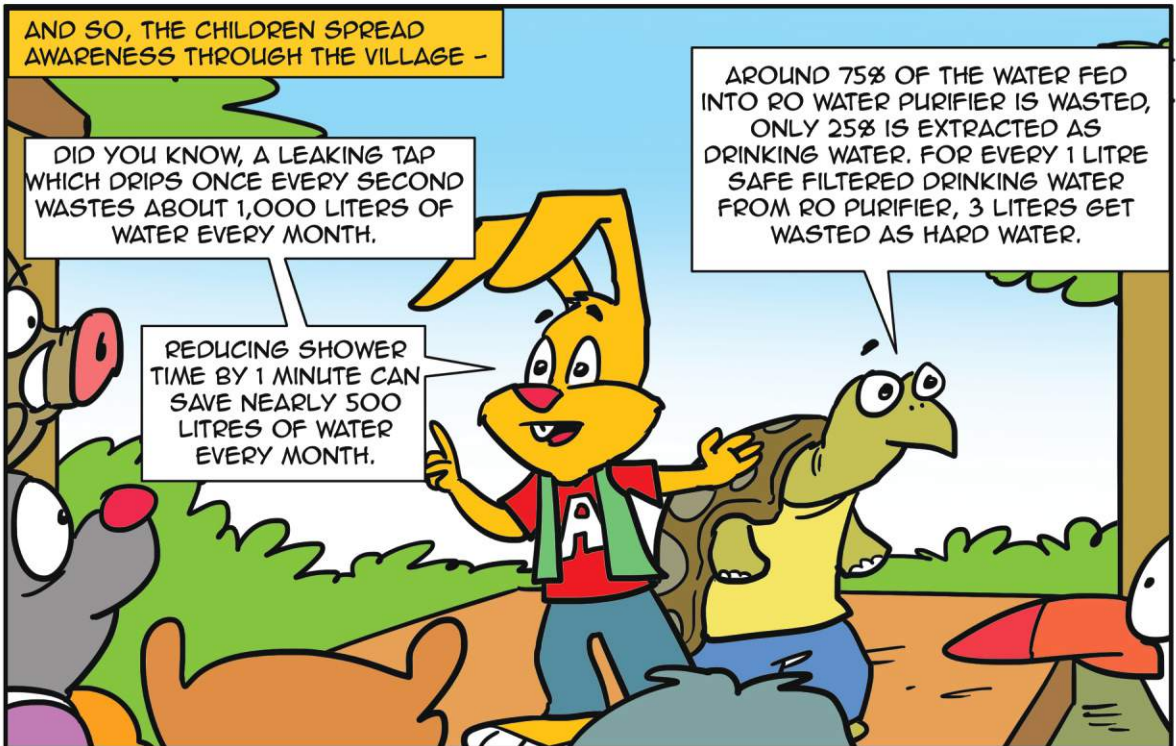
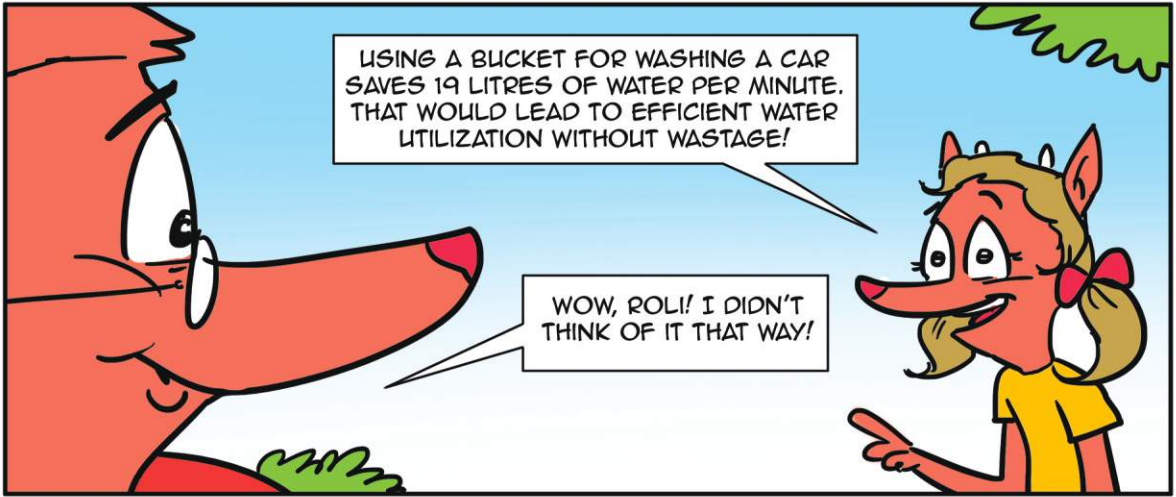
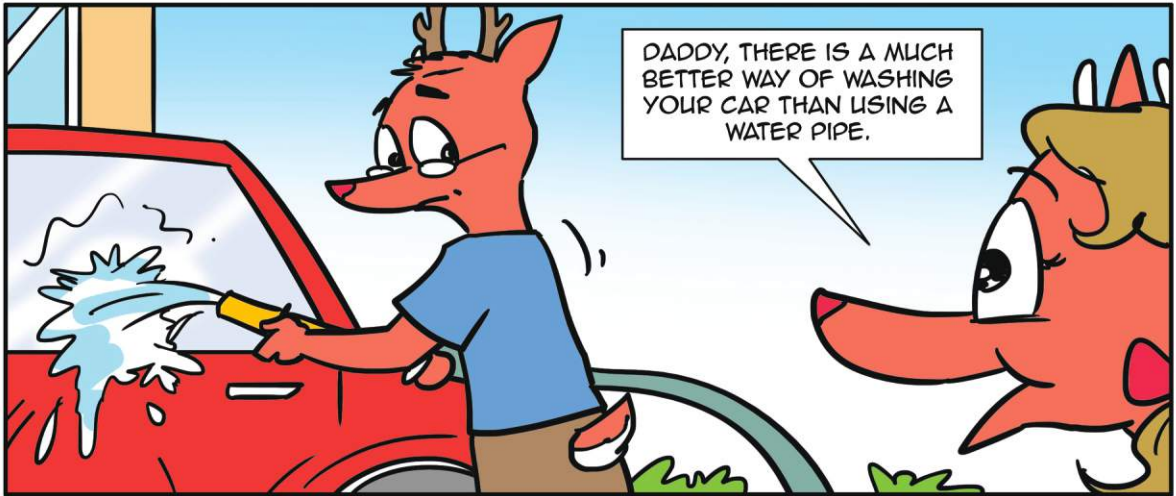
THERE, ALMOST DONE!
THE FLOWERS LOOK
NICE AND FRESH!

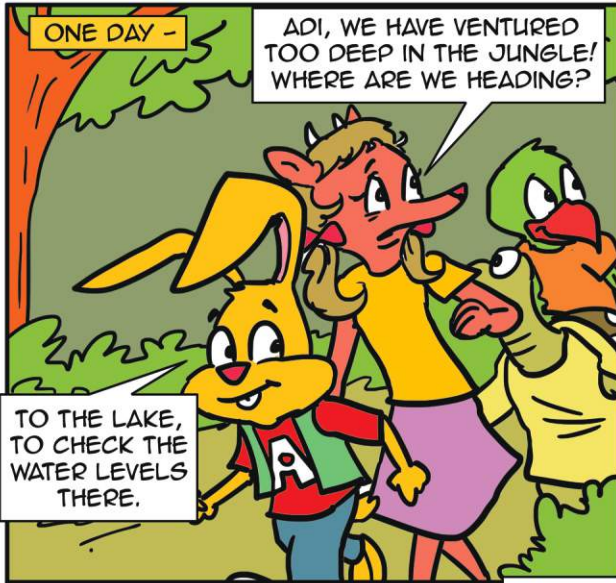


MUMMY, OUR SCHOOL TEACHER HAS
TOLD US THAT IF YOU COLLECT THE
WATER YOU USE WHILE RINSING
FRUIT AND VEGETABLES, YOU CAN
USE IT TO WATER HOUSE PLANTS.

THAT WAY WE RECYCLE
WATER, HENCE
REDUCING OVER
USAGE!

THAT'S A
GOOD
IDEA, BETA!





ONE DAY -

ADI, WE HAVE VENTURED TOO DEEP IN THE JUNGLE! WHERE ARE WE HEADING?

TO THE LAKE, TO CHECK THE WATER LEVELS THERE.



SUDDENLY -

HAHAHAHAHAH!!

WHO'S THAT?



SSSHH! QUIET, LET'S CHECK. THERE SEEMS TO BE SOME SORT OF SECRET HIDEOUT HERE.



IT WAS PAPLU BHAI, THE WILY JACKAL.

YES YES! ONLY A FEW GALLONS MORE, AND MY AWESOME SWIMMING POOL WILL BE READY TO TAKE A DIP IN! HAHAHA!





HAHAH! WHO CARES? I AM GOING TO HAVE A BIG PARTY HERE BY MY SWIMMING POOL! SO WHAT IF I DIVERTED THE WATER SUPPLY TO MY POOL?

BUT WHAT ABOUT THE VILLAGERS? THIS IS OUR WATER TOO!



HAHAH! YOU CAN SIT AND WAIT TILL MY PARTY IS OVER. I'M PAPLU BHAI AND I WANT TO BE THE COOLEST PARTY HOST EVER!



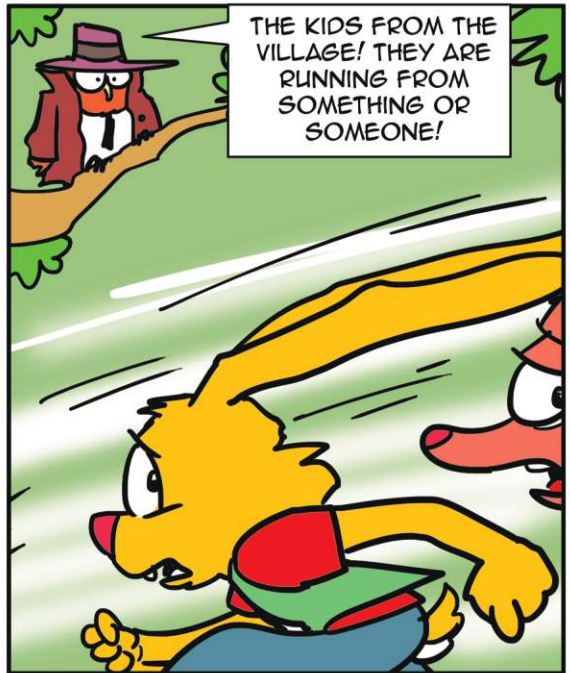
THIS IS SO WRONG! WE WILL GO AND COMPLAIN TO SARPANCH HAATHI!



THAT IS IF I LET YOU ALL LEAVE! HAHAHA!

RUN!!

MEANWHILE, HIDDEN UP IN THE BRANCHES WAS DETECTIVE GULLU ULLU, THE VILLAGE'S ACE INVESTIGATOR.

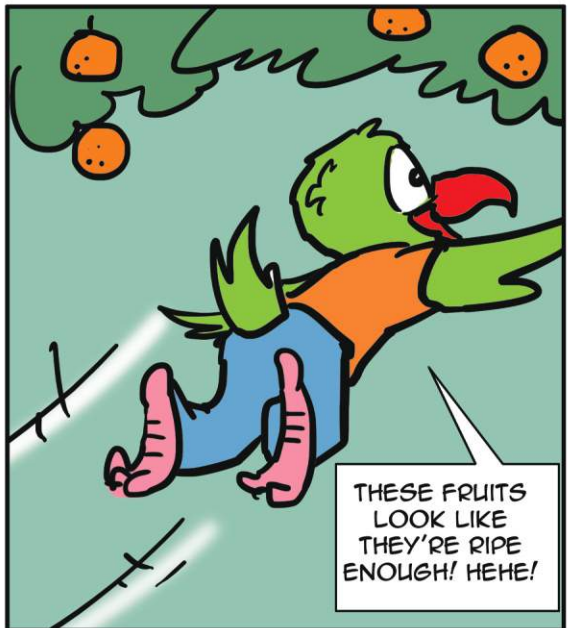




CHEENU, QUICK! THINK UP A PLAN LIKE YOU ALWAYS DO!



HMM! I THINK I KNOW WHAT TO DO NOW!



THESE FRUITS LOOK LIKE THEY'RE RIPE ENOUGH! HEHE!



HEY PAPLU BHA! WANT A BITE OF THIS?



WHY DON'T YOU HAVE A BIG ONE?

SPLATCH!!

HEY! WHAT-



WHOOOPS!

TOING!

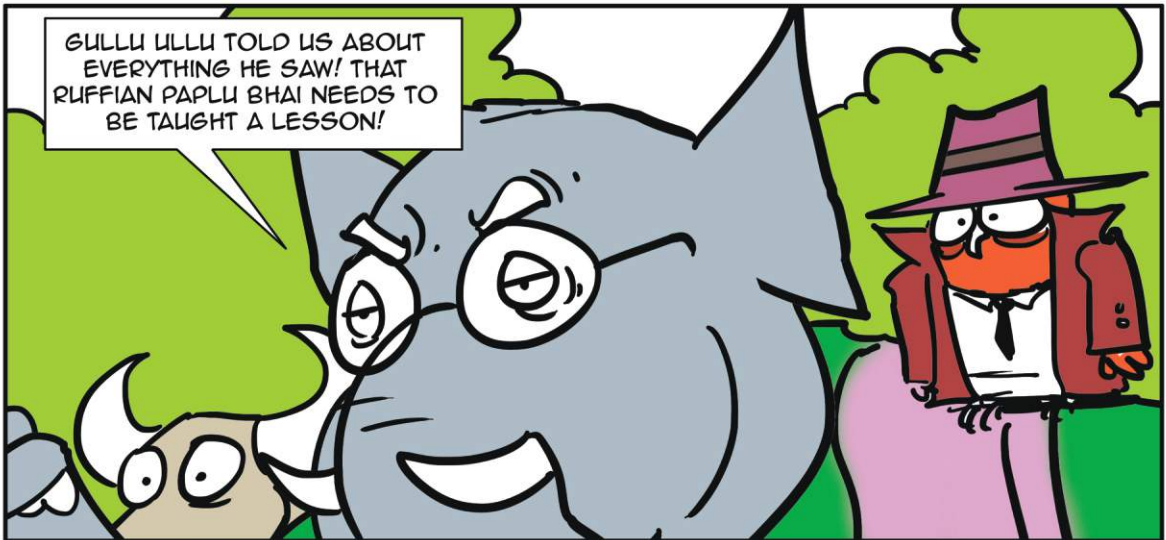


GOOD JOB GOLLI AND CHEENU! COME ROLI, LET'S TIE HIM UP WITH THESE VINES!



LOOK! IT'S SARPANCH HAATHI AND THE VILLAGERS!

ADI, WE GOT HERE AS FAST AS WE COULD!



GULLU ULLU TOLD US ABOUT EVERYTHING HE SAW! THAT RUFFIAN PAPLU BHAJ NEEDS TO BE TAUGHT A LESSON!



PAPLU BHAI! LET'S TAKE YOU TO THE BEST PLACE TO COOL OFF!

GRRR! WHO IS IT? WHERE ARE YOU TAKING ME??



INSPECTOR NAAG, AND WE'RE HEADED TO PRISON!



SARPANCH, WE HAVE FOUND THE ILLEGAL PUMPS AND PIPES PAPLU HAD INSTALLED.

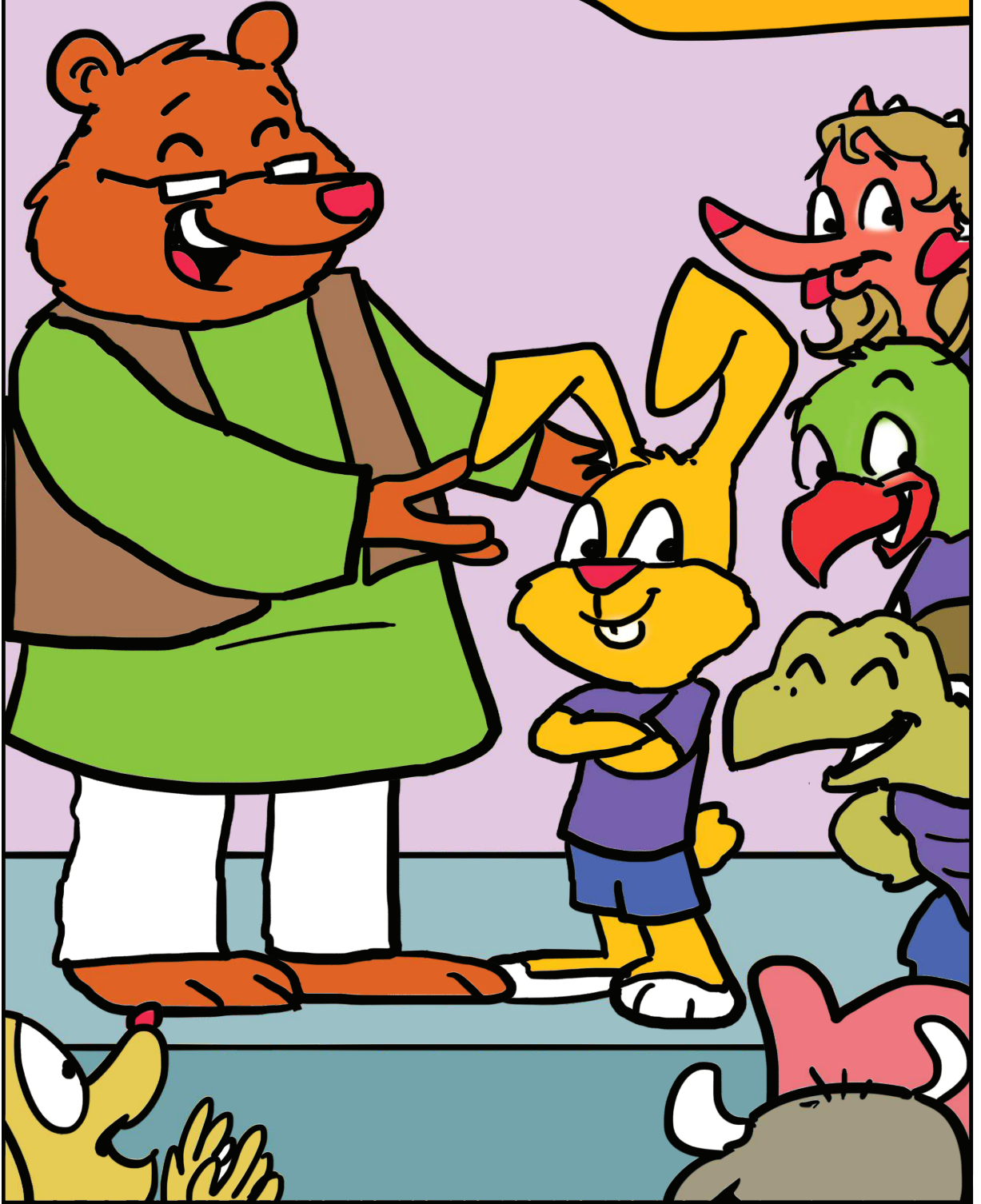
GOOD, NOW MAKE SURE OUR WATER SUPPLY RETURNS BACK TO NORMAL.



YOU KIDS HAVE NOT ONLY HELPED US FIND OUT WHO IS BEHIND THIS MISCHIEF, BUT ALSO TAUGHT US ALL ABOUT SAVING WATER AND BEING RESPONSIBLE!



AND SO, OUR HEROES WERE FELICITATED IN SCHOOL BY THEIR DEAR TEACHER, VERMA SIR!



COLOUR AWAY!

Let's help Adi and Co. bring colour into this happy scene after the day has been saved!



USING A BUCKET FOR A BATH, INSTEAD OF A SHOWER, CAN SAVE ABOUT 80% WATER!

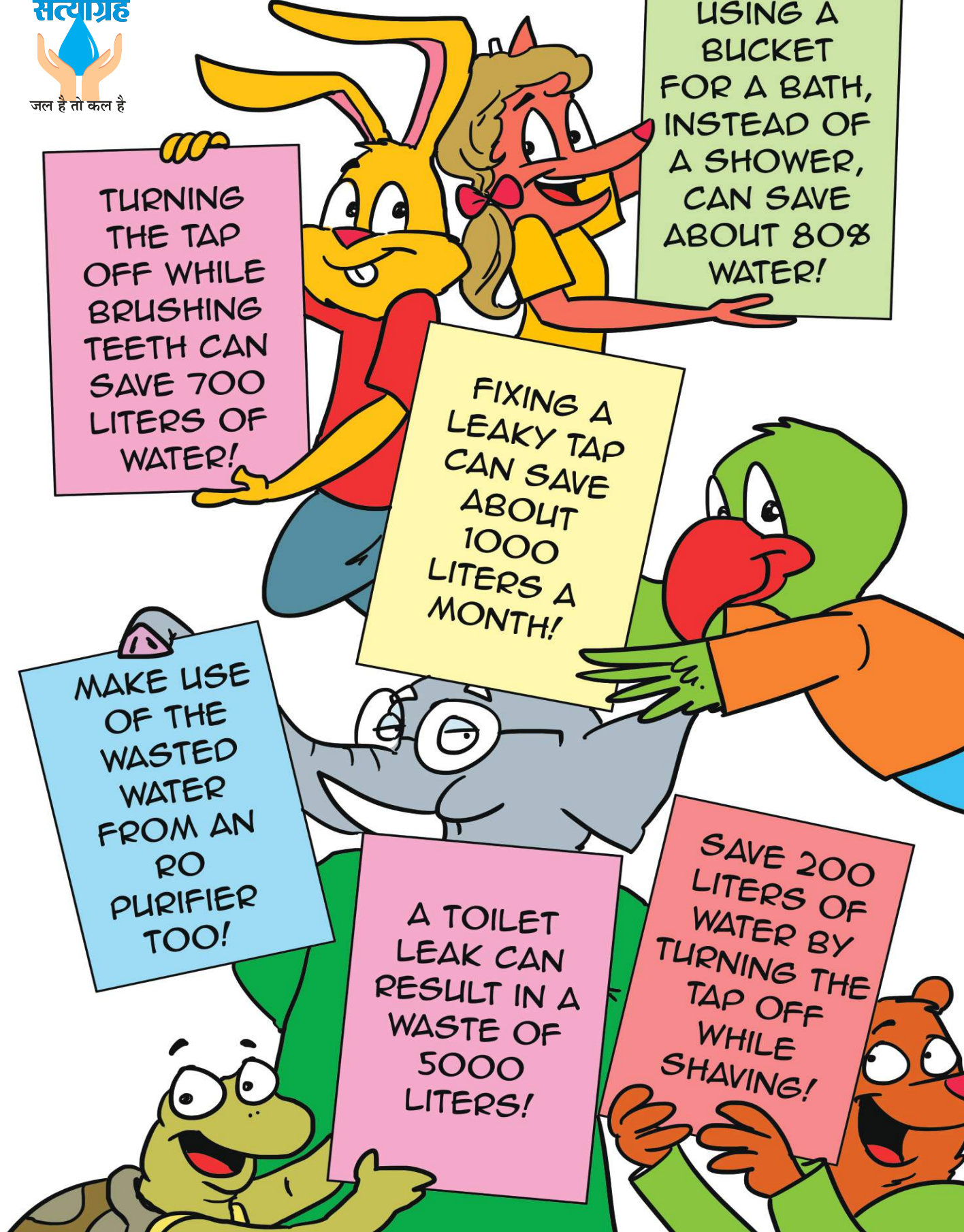
TURNING THE TAP OFF WHILE BRUSHING TEETH CAN SAVE 700 LITERS OF WATER!

FIXING A LEAKY TAP CAN SAVE ABOUT 1000 LITERS A MONTH!

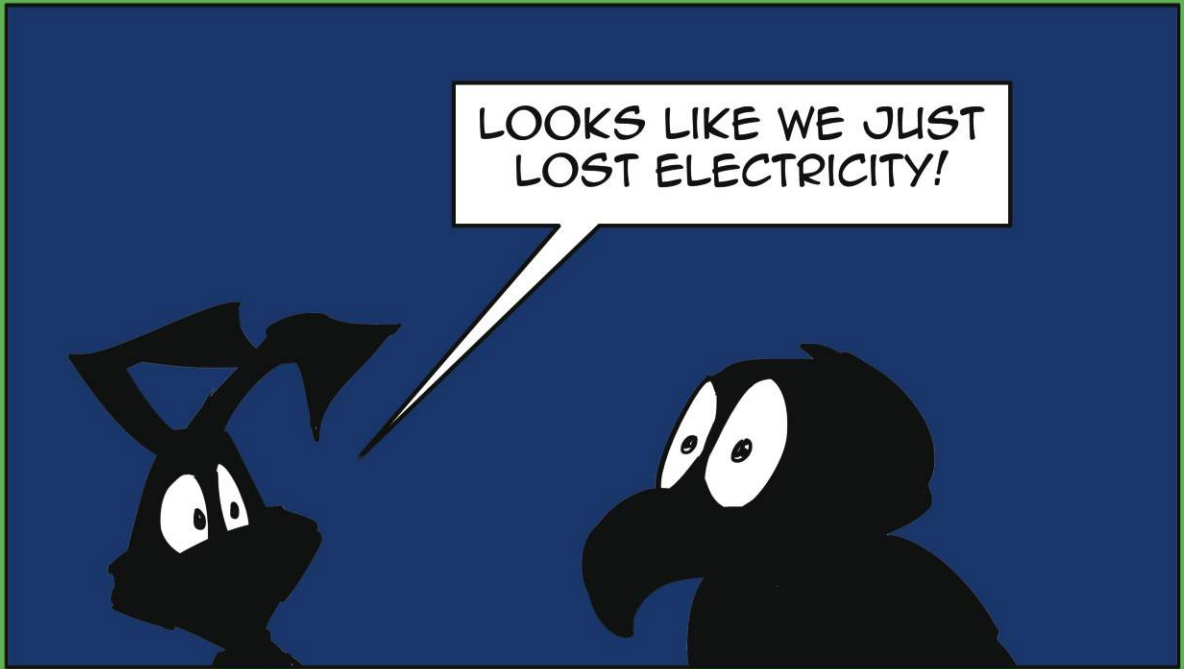
MAKE USE OF THE WASTED WATER FROM AN RO PURIFIER TOO!

A TOILET LEAK CAN RESULT IN A WASTE OF 5000 LITERS!

SAVE 200 LITERS OF WATER BY TURNING THE TAP OFF WHILE SHAVING!



COMING SOON!



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THE BIG BLACKOUT!