
A CLEVER BUS DRIVER

Khro bo rkyal stong ཁྲོ་བོ་རྒྱལ་སྟོང་།

Uncle Ston pa was driving a bus down a dirt road in the countryside. The only empty seat in the bus was just behind the driver's seat. The seat was for two people. The empty seat was next to a nun, who sat quietly by the window.

Uncle Ston pa noticed a handsome young soldier waving at him on the road. Eager for another paying customer, Uncle Ston pa stopped and the soldier got on the bus. Noticing that there was only one empty seat, the soldier quickly paid and sat by the nun. Out of the corner of his eye, the soldier noticed that, despite her short hair, the nun was quite pretty, which stimulated his male organ.

About five minutes later, the nun stood up and asked the driver to let her off so she could return to her nunnery. When she got off, Uncle Ston pa turned to the soldier and murmured, "She's pretty, right?"

"Yes, very pretty," the soldier said.

"I guess you'd like to have sex with her, right?" Uncle Ston pa said.

"Of course," the soldier said.

"I'll tell you how," Uncle Ston pa said. "Every evening at exactly six-thirty, she goes to a little forest at the bottom of the hill where her nunnery is located. You can hide behind a tree. You're lucky, because I've got a bag full of *'cham* masks that I'm taking to the monastery up the road. I'll give you one now. Just before six-thirty, put on the mask. When she comes to the grove and starts prostrating, you should jump out and tell her that you are a deity. She'll then do whatever you tell her to do."

"Great!" the soldier said, took the mask Uncle Ston pa offered, and got off the bus.

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An hour later it was almost six-thirty. The soldier put on the mask and, sure enough, at exactly six-thirty the nun came to the little forest and began prostrating and chanting. The soldier jumped out from behind the tree and said, "Oh! I'm a deity!"

The pious nun said, "Oh! A deity! What should I do?"

The soldier, disguised as a deity, said, "You have to have sex with me!"

The nun said, "Oh! Yes! You are a deity. I'll do whatever you say. But please remember that I'm a nun so I must keep my virginity. You must do it here," and patted her bottom.

The soldier hesitated, but remembering how pretty the nun was, he agreed.

They both pulled down their pants and each assumed their position. The soldier finished his work after a few minutes and pulled up his pants. The nun did the same. Then the soldier looked at the nun, pulled off his mask, and said, "Ha! Ha! I'm the soldier from the bus! How stupid of you to believe that I was a deity!"

Then Uncle Ston pa pulled off the nun's mask and said, "Ha! I'm the bus driver!"

NON-ENGLISH TERMS

'cham འཚམ།

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ston pa སྟོན་པ།