

## **MANISH , JUSTICE STORY**

As a prisoner, when I observe the situation outside the jail grids, I see the days, months and years of change in the reconstruction. On this land, I behold the sense of my country.

The sunlight reminds me of my motherland, India. The rain plops gently as it does in my country; even though, they say that this is not your country, but I feel the opposite. Like an Indian movie, I am imprisoned without guilt in a foreign country.

With five years in jail, the accused who cannot speak Arabic; therefore, cannot say I am not guilty, is charged with no guilt or evidence.

His silence is the cause of being imprisoned for years; however, he had a prosperous job in one of the high-ranking companies. Owning two children and wife, they waited for him to return home, but eventually he did not. Thus their sufferance prevailed as his children quitted attending their private schools, and the most stricken of all that they sometimes could not afford something to eat.

Our story of this young Indian is not a movie but the truth. Manish who converted to Islam in 2000, got married to a Yemeni Muslim woman, fathered two children and lived thrilled in his second country, Yemen. His heart was broken when he had announced his conversion to Islam as his family rejected him, his first wife divorced him and took their children away from him and even his is not allowed to meet his mother. Manish insisted on continuing the way of God in Islam and was gifted a great work, good sons and a wonderful wife.

At his work, Manish's dream of a beautiful and prosperous future was stolen through the hatred and envy of people who fabricated him a guilt he did not commit and was thrown in jail for five years. When he was asked in the Court of First Instance ,Did you embezzle these amounts of money from the company? He did not know what was he accused of, silence was his reply, which is the leading reason for residing in prison for five years.

He had always dreamed to see the light of truth and began to learn to acquire Arabic in prison, but when learnt, it was late since the authorities had forgotten him, and his wife could afford him an attorney again.

His smile and hope in his God, the Lord, insured sending mercy and joy at the hands of supporters of the National Prisoner Foundation, which began taking the

case to a Court of Appeal. Mainsh was able to speak and managed to justify and revealed the truth.

Also the court found out that Manish is not guilty but innocent of the charge against him; therefore, he was released to his children, second country and second wife as God's justice along with the efforts of National Foundation for Prisoners were the paid off.

When Manish tells his long sufferance story, you tend to hug him and say, 'Manish, I am proud of you as you stood against injustice'.