

Ripon Handique**Night**

Who sleeps tonight
under
searching bullets silencing
the magic of dreams
in tender moments
breathing
beneath
those fangs of hate
darkening
restful nights
like warm blood
blue water blotting?

Dilemma

Abstract walls rise up, secluded
A visionary in his room
Weighs the unfolding panorama
Of pessimism.

Denunciations disappear
Like a sheet of snow from winter
Harangues my senses to smear
Impending summer's proclamation

Splintered in contemplating that rough road
Embellished by iridescent images
They say, may be there.
Should I, then, fight or flow

With glaring demons
Who must measure me,
If dreams and desires
These walls breach?

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