Strandedness

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Incessant rains with a taste of snow, feeling exasperated,
Oh! This tormenting strandedness, unbearable waiting,
Inflicting tons of excruciating pain,
Similitude of a flying cuckoo caught in some well-knitted net,
Weeping within the heart of hearts, crestfallen,
Striving tirelessly to unfetter itself,
Oh! This brutal, heartwrenching strandedness,
Sweet memories of darling home continuously haunts oh!
The snowflakes softly falling the ground,
Families of pine trees completely drooping,
A lonely lady in a lonely cottage with no mate,
Water drops dripping from her pantry ceiling,
Baking rotis patiently on the griddle,
Passers submerged in long overcoats,
A good chunk wrapped in wollen blankets,
Bedraggled, shivering in biting cold,
Gather round the soft hiss & crackle of the burning logs,
Warming themselves,
Deteriorating roads, extreme landslides, shooting stones,
Give sleepless nights,
Heaps of rotten veggies on the road sides,
Merino flocks, broilers lying dead,
Thrown in deep gorges,
A stinky air to inhale,
A miserable plight to see,
Stranded wait finally being over,
Passers trudge through the mountain peaks,
A risky adventure amid inclement weather,

But,

Determined to reach to their respective destinations,

Women, elderly crouching in fear,

Weeping,

A horrific scene oh!

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