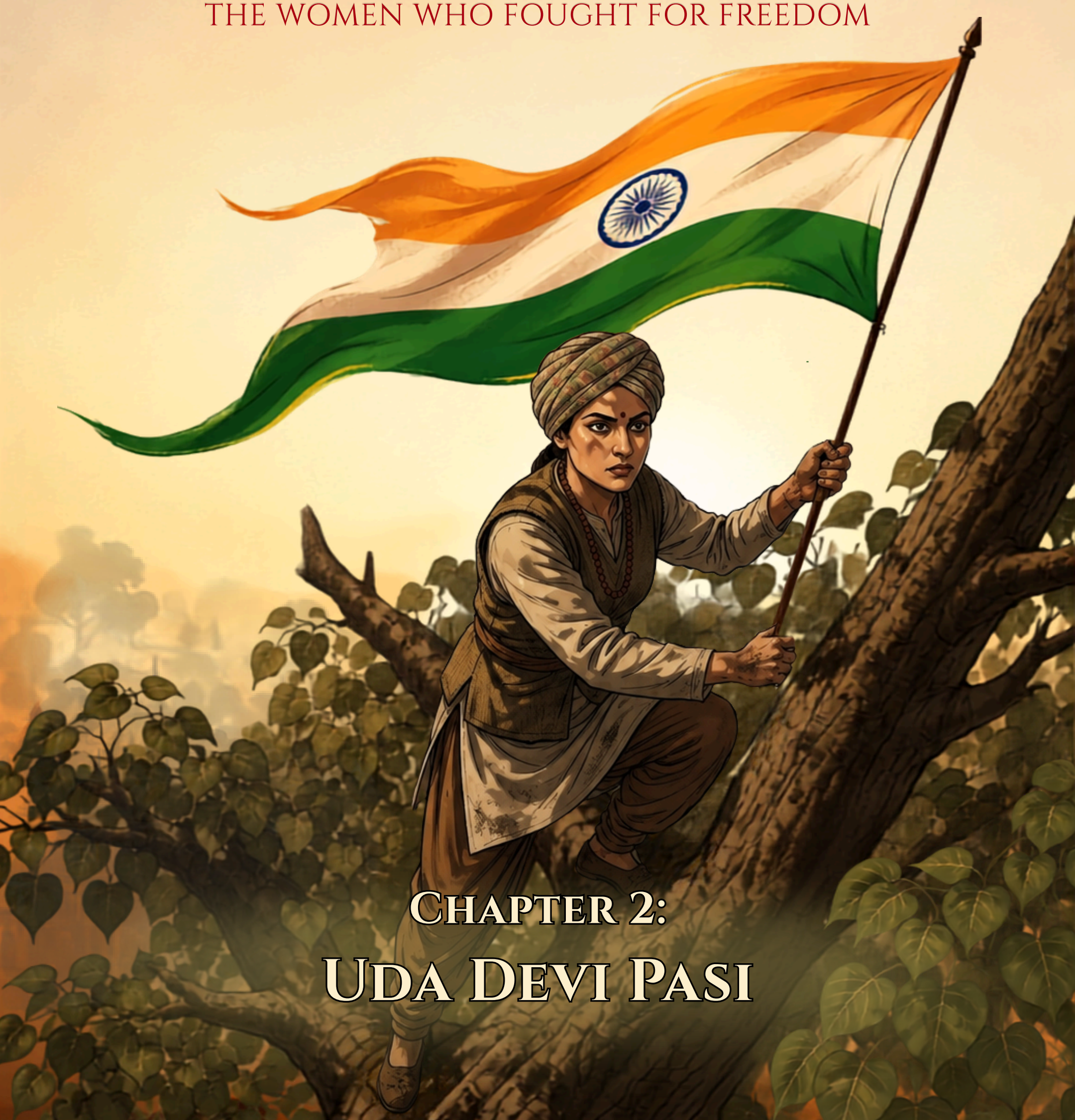
Rebellion in the Raj

The Women Who Fought for Freedom



Chapter 2:
Uda Devi Pasi

The Veeranganas

Imagine India in 1857, when people across the country were rising against British rule. Among them was a fearless woman named Uda Devi Pasi from Awadh. Determined to fight for her homeland, she joined a group of brave women warriors called *the Veeranganas*. Little did anyone know that she was about to make history.



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A Clever Plan

As the Siege of Lucknow raged on in Sikandar Bagh, Uda Devi knew she needed a plan that would surprise the enemy. She dressed as a man to avoid being recognised. Then, with a weapon in one hand, she climbed a tall pipal tree and waited for the British soldiers to arrive.



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The Fearless Sniper

Soon, the battlefield filled with British troops. Hidden among thick branches, Uda Devi aimed and fired at the enemy soldiers. One after the other, they fell, unable to understand who was shooting at them. According to local narratives, she shot nearly 30 British soldiers, leaving them in a state of confusion and chaos.



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A Hero Until the End

Eventually, the British realised that the shots were being fired from the pipal tree. Uda Devi was caught, but she refused to surrender. She fought with unwavering courage until she was shot and killed. Her sacrifice reminds us that no contribution is too small in the fight for freedom.



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Why Remember Uda Devi?

Uda Devi's story deserves to be remembered for her bravery, resilience and her commitment to fighting for her land. She showed that intelligence, determination, and courage could challenge even the strongest enemy. Today, she is remembered as one of India's earliest women snipers and as a hero of the Uprising of 1857, inspiring future generations to fight for their people and their country.

