Broken Skin

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Today at 15.45 hours India conducted three
Underground nuclear tests in the Pokhran RangeHope falls softly from your hands
Dreams burn deep beneath the land
Time casts shadows overall, sweating fever
Rain or river, brushing winds beneath your callBroken skin, distant fear, shattered worlds of endless tears
Hidden fires, distant lies, buried hopes beneath the cries
Broken skin, distant fears, silent lips, so far, so nearSilence, 'tis every hope apart
Two flames burn deep beneath one heart
Teardrops flow faster with the tide
Raging over calmer waters as the timeless land dividesBroken skin, distant fear, shattered worlds of endless tears
Hidden fires, distant lies, buried hopes beneath the cries
Broken skin, distant fears, silent lips, so far, so nearBroken, distant, shattered
Hidden, distant, buried
Broken, distant, silentCold games repeat on Eastern shores
Strong winds blow over colder wars
Proud lips stay silent in the rain
(There are half a million voices in the song without a name)Broken, distant, shattered
Hidden, distant, buried
Broken, distant, silent, shatteredHidden, distant, buried
Broken, distant, silent
(So far, so close)Shattered
(There are half a million voices)
Distant, shattered, distant, shattered
(There are half a million voices)Just five miles from India's nuclear test site
Children play in the shade of the village water tank
Here in the Rajasthan desert people say they're proud
Their country's shown its nuclear capability

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