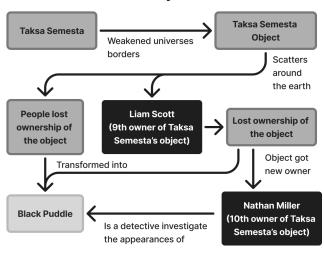
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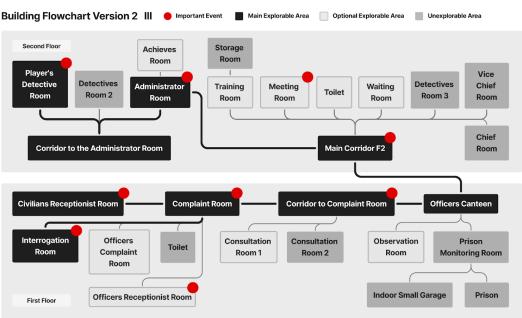
"A survival detective game interwoven with deep depth of Indonesian culture, wrapped in layered narratives, eerie combat, and dark-psychological atmospheric gameplay."

Genre: Third-Person Shooter, Mystery, Thriller, Psychological.

The story takes place in the early 2000s, when the borders between the Taksa Semesta universe and the Earth are broken. Taksa Semesta monsters are trying to obliterate humans by killing them and turning them into other Taksa Semesta monsters. The player is a detective who's investigating the Black Puddle Case, which is directly related to those monsters. He must stop the monsters from destroying the world while he himself slowly succumbs to madness.

Relation Between The Player & Taksa Semesta







Player Name: Nathan Miller

Age: 28 years old

Nathan is a promising detective with high-analytic thinking and meticulousness. He doesn't have good social skills, but he's very good at handling strategic-related jobs behind the scenes, leading him to always handle reports and coordination from the police station for his team members on the field.

- He's to the point, confrontational, and sarcastic, causing some people to openly hate him, especially the older men who are full of themselves.
- Being overworked with handling behind-the-scenes jobs alone for a long time, causing him to be very efficient and hate people who can't do their work properly.
- He's good at shooting and handling fights, but he prefers to avoid physical confrontation and do a more strategic approach before fighting.
- He's wary and observant, always connecting the dots of clues inside his head, but he keeps his thoughts to himself and is not hasty to make a decision.

Character Barks (Nathan)				
Location	Gameplay Context	V.O. Direction	Cue	
Detectives Room	Interact with player's messy desk	Exhausted, annoyed	Tch, headache maker	
Detectives Room	Interact with teammates' desks	Understanding	Guess they'll be staying at the crime scene again	
Administrator Room	Interact with Eva after chief's doc	Secretly attentive	I better not disturb them	
Storage Room (Administrator Room)	Interact with the boxes filled the entire room	Dry, glad it's not his duty	Must be hell to move everything here	
Waiting Room (F2)	Enter the room	Sarcastic	Smells like politics and injustice	
Training Room	Enter the room	A bit guilty, responsible	Right, I forgot about the meeting. Are there any notes?	
Training Room	Read the meeting conclusion paper	Pleased	I see	
Some locked rooms (F2)	Interact with door	Nonchalant	It's locked	
Woman Restroom (F2)	Interact with door (not enter)	Uninterested, respectful	Nope	
Canteen	Look at dirty plates	Disgusted	Nasty old men	

Character Barks (Nathan)				
Location	Gameplay Context	V.O. Direction	Cue	
Canteen	Try to open the prisoner's door	Realization	The guard is out, he locked the door	
Locked Consultation Room	Try to open the door	Nonchalant, approval	Good, they locked it for once	
Opened Consultation Room	Interact with the desk	Disappointed but not surprised	Yeah, of course	
Officer Complaints Room	Read today's civilian report of missing people	A bit shocked	Shit, that's a lot	
Interrogation Room	Interact with the table before interrogate Liam	Nonchalant	The soundproofing wall is broken, I must keep everything under control.	
Officer Receptionist Room	Interact with Owen before interact with Liam	Secretly attentive	I shouldn't bother her	
Civilian Receptionist Room	Interact with Liam before talk with Owen	A bit bemused	He really doesn't notice me	
Civilian Receptionist Room	Try to open the entrance door (before transformation)	Decisive, feel responsible	I can't go out now	
Interrogation Room	Interact with the Black Puddle (after transformation)	Horrified, shocked, panicked	Shit, shit	
Civilian Receptionist Room	Try to open the entrance door (after transformation)	Panics, feel responsible	No, no, I should check the others	
-	70% health combat	Reactive from pain	Ugh!	
-	50% health combat	Panting, exhausted	Dammit	
-	10% health combat	Weak, barely conscious	I can't die here	

BLACK PUDDLE

Third-Person Shooter, Mystery, Psychological, Thriller

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Original Script (Taksa Semesta Universe)

1. INT. DETECTIVES ROOM, 2ND FLOOR, RURAL POLICE STATION - NIGHT

Noises from old ventilation and a mechanical keyboard fill the silence in this messy 4-detective room.

NATHAN (28), an overworked officer who's in a foul mood, is making a report of his team's investigation.

REPORT

(old mechanical keyboard
typing sound)

April 6, 2002. A runner and his dog found a black puddle in the forest because the dog barked non-stop in the puddle's direction. One police officer who has hyperosmia, very sensitive to smells, vomited at a 10-meter radius from it. He said it smelled like a pile of feces.

(enter button sound)
April 16, 2002. A local fisherman
found an entire lake's water turned
completely black. It smelled like
rotten flesh, every animal in that
lake died and floated on the
surface. The area got isolated, and
the civilians who lived nearby had
been evacuated on the same day.

(enter button sound)
April 23, 2002. A park cleaner
found a black puddle around a 3meter diameter under a picnic table
in the central park. The area got
isolated, but civilians from the
street said they smelled something
awful, and each one of them smelled
different things.

(enter button sound)
The National Forensic Department
confirmed the liquids from those
three cases are the same. This
liquid has never been discovered,
so it'll take some time to know
what it actually is.

(enter button sound)
Progression report of The Black
Puddle Cases Investigation by
Arthur Team.

(enter button sound)
Written on April 24, 2002, at 20:30.

NATHAN

(clicks the enter button) And, send.

He sips his coffee- looking at the computer screen.

NATHAN

Unknown black liquid that spreads like a plague? What's next? UFO?

(mockingly)

And why doesn't the FBI handle this? Man, we're just police from a small town.

The office phone in his desk rings. Nathan picks it up.

NATHAN

Detective Nathan here.

OWEN (V.O.)

(relieved sigh)

Nathan, it's Owen. There's a man who knows where the black liquid came from, and he wants to speak to you. He's in the Receptionist Room.

NATHAN

(doubtful)

Really? Did he explain what this black liquid is?

OWEN (V.O.)

Ah, he did. He said it's thick, heavy, slimy, and spreads easily.

NATHAN

Where does he find it?

OWEN (V.O.)

In a central park, under the picnic table. It's around 3 meters and smells terrible like rotten meals.

NATHAN (INNER MONOLOGUE)

It's the same as one of the reports. Did he see when it appeared? The first eyewitness from eight cases? I can't let him go.

NATHAN

Okay, I'll be there. Wait- what is his name?

OWEN (V.O.)

Got it. His name is Liam Scott.

NATHAN

Okay, thanks.

The connection ends, Nathan puts back the phone.

His tired eye looks at the scattered case files on his desk. He takes a deep breath and gets up from his chair.

NATHAN

(sarcastically)

Unpaid overtime for two weeks in a row. Amazing.

He walks and looks at a paper pinned to a corkboard. It's a task list for members of his team, led by Arthur. Nathan is in charge of documents and coordination from the office.

NATHAN

Writing reports. Everyone's favorite.

He opens the door and enters the corridor.

2. INT. CORRIDOR TO ADMINISTRATOR ROOM, 2ND FLOOR, RURAL POLICE STATION

The corridor is filled with renovation tools and paint cans. Nathan walks and sees a renovation notice on the wall.

NATHAN

There's still a long time to go.

Another detective's room at the end of the corridor is locked. A pinned paper notes they're working in the field.

NATHAN

Guess other squads also work overtime.

He enters the room on his right.

3. INT. ADMINISTRATOR ROOM, 2ND FLOOR, RURAL POLICE STATION

A disheveled officer who's frantically typing on her computer notices him and calls him out. She is AVA (27).

AVA

(enthusiastic)

Oh, Nathan! Yes! Come here!

NATHAN (INNER MONOLOGUE)

What now?

AVA

Hurry!

He walks through boxes full of documents and stops in front of her desk.

Ava puts a document in front of him. Her eyes fill with hope.

AVA

O Nathan, I humbly ask you to convey this trophy-

NATHAN

No.

AVA

It's urgent-

NATHAN

I'm not a mailboy, Ava.

AVA

Please! It's an important document, and the chief will use it in his meeting five minutes from now!

NATHAN

I have my own errands. Just get your ass off for two minutes.

Nathan turns his back, but Ava grips his wrist to stop him from leaving.

NATHAN

(irritated)

Get. Your hands. Off. Me.

AVA

Please! We can't leave, we're making urgent reports right now!

NATHAN

That's your own damn business.

Another female officer beside Ava's desk laughs at them. NOAH (28), calm and well-dressed.

NOAH

That's not the way you ask for help, Eva.

AVA

(annoyed)

Noah!

NOAH

Yeah, yeah.

(turns her chair to face Nathan)

I understand you have things to do, but can you help us, Nathan? I promise it'll only take five minutes, we're not in the position to deliver it by ourselves now.

Nathan looks at Noah and lets out a heavy sigh. He snaps out from Ava's grips and takes the document.

NATHAN

Coffees. And pizza.

AVA

(joyful)

Yes, yes! Iced black coffee, right?

NATHAN

(nonchalant)

Yeah.

NOAH

And Ultimate Cheese Pizza from Phil's?

NATHAN

Yeah.

AVA

Got it!

NOAH

Thanks, Nathan. We'll deliver it to your room later.

NATHAN

Yeah, yeah.

Ava and Noah go back to their reports. Nathan holds the document in his arm and leaves the room.

4. INT. MAIN CORRIDOR, 2ND FLOOR, RURAL POLICE STATION

NATHAN (INNER MONOLOGUE)

Chief office, right.

Nathan walks to the intersection and turns right.

NATHAN (INNER MONOLOGUE)

So the vice chief handles the conference and the chief handles the cases here, huh. They're always efficient.

He arrives in front of the chief room and knocks on the door.

NATHAN

Excuse me, I'm Nathan. I brought the document you asked for from the Administrator Room.

CHIEF LOGAN (O.S.)

Just put it in the box beside the door, I'm having a call.

Nathan does it as instructed.

NATHAN

I've put it, I'll take my leave now.

CHIEF LOGAN (O.S.)

Thanks. Ah, can you tell people in the Meeting Room I'll be there in 10 minutes?

He takes a moment before answering it.

NATHAN

Okay.

CHIEF LOGAN (O.S.)

Thanks.

NATHAN

No worries.

NATHAN (INNER MONOLOGUE)

Okay, this is the last time I'll become a mailboy.

After he passes the T-junction to his room, he hears two men ranting from afar. It's getting clearer the closer he gets to the Meeting Room.

OLLY

Damn overtime. Does that idiot 'chief' think we're not busy?

JODY

Yeah. And you know what? While we're working five cases at a time, Arthur's team is only handling one single fucking case.

NATHAN (INNER MONOLOGUE)

These voices... Olly and Jody.

OLLY

Fuck, those bastards always get golden treatment.

JODY

And they never make any progrees on it. Real idiots.

NATHAN (INNER MONOLOGUE)

The fuck?

OLLY

They're just blabbering nonsense.

JODY

Right, bet they'll say aliens will invade the earth tomorrow.

NATHAN (INNER MONOLOGUE)

Those old fuckers...

Nathan arrives in front of the Meeting Room and slams the door open. He stares at them like they're insects.

NATHAN

Chief Logan will be here in ten minutes.

Jody rolls his eyes, Olly arrogantly folds his hands on his chest.

OLLY

You think you can act to your superiors like that?

Nathan spits air out of his mouth.

NATHAN

You're welcome.

Their faces turn red as he slams the door closed.

NATHAN

Pigass.

(deep breaths)
Okay, breathe, focus. I must go to
the receptionist.

Nathan walks to the stairs that connect to the canteen on the first floor.

5. INT. CANTEEN, 1ST FLOOR, RURAL POLICE STATION

Dirty ceiling, peeled-out wall paint, and messy objects are all over the room. This room has been used as storage since the renovation started.

NATHAN

(coughs)

Ugh, dust.

As he walks, he sees a paper pinned next to the door to the prison area.

NATHAN

What's that paper? It wasn't there before.

He goes towards it and reads it. It's a note saying the ventilation system has been repaired, so the prison guard is returning the air purifiers they've used for the three prisoners.

NATHAN

i see. That's why the air doesn't
feel damp anymore.
 (MORE)

NATHAN (CONT'D)

(remembers)

Ah, I should check if someone is using the Interrogation Room.

6. INT. OBSERVATION ROOM, 1ST FLOOR, RURAL POLICE STATION

The room is in full darkness, accentuating the big tinted glass which shows the well-lit Interrogation Room on the other side- it's empty.

NATHAN

Okay, good.

A paper is pinned next to the tinted glass, it tells about the unfunctional soundproof walls in the interrogation room.

NATHAN

Got it. Now, to the Receptionist Room.

7. INT. COMPLAINTS ROOM, 1ST FLOOR, RURAL POLICE STATION

It's a big corridor with waiting sofas at the far left, accros from it are chairs in front of officer desks to make complaints.

NATHAN

Ugh, just the idea of handling people's complaints here already makes me sick.

(thinks)

Ah, I better observe the eyewitness first. Since he's in the Civilians Waiting Room, I can peek through the Officers Room.

He walks through the room and enters the Officers Receptionist Room.

8. INT. OFFICER RECEPTIONIST ROOM, 1ST FLOOR, RURAL POLICE STATION

OWEN (30) is the only one here. She's sitting on the right side of the front receptionist desk- fixated on her computer.

NATHAN (INNER MONOLOGUE) She'll get mad if she sees me enter without permission again, I better stay silent.

Nathan sneaks up behind her and looks to the half-wall tinted glass in the receptionist desks, it shows the entire Civilian Receptionist Room. There is only one man there, and he is standing right in front of the broken TV.

NATHAN (INNER MONOLOGUE)

Is that him? The eyewitness? Why does he stand that close to the broken TV? Is he crazy?

(shakes head)

No, I shouldn't make an assumption.

Nathan walks out of the room and enters the Civilian Receptionist Room.

9. INT. CIVILIAN RECEPTIONIST ROOM, 1ST FLOOR, RURAL POLICE STATION

Nathan loudly closes the door, waiting for his response- but gets nothing.

NATHAN (INNER MONOLOGUE)

He's really focused.

Nathan walks to the receptionist desks and snaps his fingers beside Owen's computer.

Owen blinks, sees Nathan, and smiles happily.

OWEN

(lowers her voice) Nathan! You're here!

NATHAN

(also lowers his voice)
What? Did something happen?

OWEN

(points with her eyes)
No, but, you see that man?

NATHAN

Yeah?

OWEN

He's Liam Scott, the one who wants to see you. And, um, he acts kinda... strange.

NATHAN

Really? What did he do?

Owen takes a glance at Liam, leans forward to Nathan, whispering.

OWEN

Uh, you know, he acts and talks like a drug addict.

NATHAN (INNER MONOLOGUE)

Dang it. (MORE)

NATHAN (CONT'D)

(nods)

Got it. Is there anything else?

OWEN

Yes. Can you go easy on him? He looks fragile and can't handle confrontation.

NATHAN

You know him?

OWEN

No, but I've met people like him. It'll be harder for you if he goes on a rampage, right?

NATHAN

That makes sense, okay.

OWEN

I know you're a good person, nathan.

NATHAN

Nah. Talk to you later.

OWEN

Yeah, good luck.

NATHAN (INNER MONOLOGUE)

She's really Mother Maria.

Nathan walks to Liam, stands beside him, and greets him.

NATHAN

(politely)

Hello, Liam. I'm Detective Nathan. I heard you want to talk to me?

No response. Nathan waits for a few moments before tapping his shoulder.

Liam aggressively turns his body to Nathan- pale skin, hands stutters, shrunken pupils.

LIAM

(scared)

W-what do y-you want?!

NATHAN

(softly)

Sorry, Liam. I called you earlier, but you didn't answer. I'm Detective Nathan, the one investigating the black liquid. The receptionist said you want to talk to me?