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A Study of Janmakaala Lakshana in Astrology

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ABSTRACT

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पितृजांतः परोक्षस्य लग्नम् इन्दावपश्यति ।
विदेशस्थस्य चर भे मध्याद् भ्रष्टे दिवा करे ॥१॥
उदयस्थेऽपि वा मन्दे कुजे वास्तं समागते
स्थिते वान्तः क्षपा नाथे शशाङ्क सुत शुक्रयोः ॥२॥
शशाङ्के पाप लग्ने वा वृश्चिकेश त्रि भागगे ।
शुभैः स्वाय स्थितैर्जातः सर्पस्तद्दृष्टितोऽपि वा ॥३॥
चतुष्पाद गते भानौ जेषैर्वीर्य समन्वितैः ।
द्वि तनुस्थैश्च यमलौ भवतः कोज वेष्टितौ ॥४॥
छागे सिंहे वृषे लग्ने तत्स्थे सौरे अथ वा कुजे ।
राज्ययंश सदृशे गात्रे जायते नाल वेष्टितः ॥५॥
न लग्नम् इन्दुं च गुरुर्निरीक्षते न वा शशाङ्कं रविणा समागतम् ।
स पापकोऽर्केणयुतोऽथ वा शशी परेण जातं प्रवदन्ति निश्चयात् ॥६॥
क्रूरक्षक्ष गतावजोभनौ सूर्याद् सून नवान्त्यज स्थितौ ।
वद्धस्तु पिता विदेशगः स्वे वा राशि वशाद् अथो पथि ॥७॥

- If birth sign is unaspected by the Moon, father will be absent at the birth.
- If the Sun occupies a movable sign (pathitha) from the 10th, the father will be away in a foreign country at the birth of child.
- If Saturn occupies lagna or if Mars is in the 7th or if the Moon is between Mercury and Venus, the father will be absent at the birth of the child.
- If the Moon occupies Mars drekkana and benefics are in the 2nd and 11th houses, predict a serpent's birth.
- If an evil sign falls in Kuja's drekkana and has benefics in the 2nd and the 11th, the child will be bound by a serpent-like bandage.
- If the Sun occupies a quadruped sign and if other powerful planets occupy common signs, twins will be born covered with a common hood.
- If Mesha, Simha or Vrishabha falls as lagna, occupies by Sani or Kuja, the child will be born with a cowl or cord in that organ which is represented by the rising navamsa.
- If Jupiter does not aspect birth and Moon, or if he does not aspect the Sun, in conjunction with the Moon, if the Moon with a malefic combines with the Sun then say certainly the child is born to another person or of adultery.

पूर्णे शशिनि स्वराशिगे सौम्ये लग्ने गते शुभे सुखे ।
लग्ने जलजे अस्तगे अपि वा चन्द्रो पोत गता प्रसूयते ॥८॥
आप्योदयम् आप्यगः शशी सम्पूर्णः समवेक्षते अथ वा ।
मेथुरण बन्धु लग्नगः स्यात् सुतिः सलिले न संशयः ॥९॥
उदयोडुपयोर्व्यय स्थिते गुप्त्यां पाप निरीक्षिते यमे ।
अलि कर्किं युते विलग्नगे सौरे शीत करेक्षिते वटे ॥१०॥

- If malefics occupy the signs of cruel planets and are in the 7th, 9th or 5th from the Sun, the father will be imprisoned when the child is born. The sign occupied by the Sun determines the locality of his bondage.
- If Full Moon is in cancer, if Mercury is in lagna and benefics are in the 4th, the delivery takes place in a boat or steamer, or in a sea voyage. If birth is watery with the Moon in the 7th the same result happens.
- If birth falls in a watery sign as also the Moon, the delivery will be close to water. If lagna (a watery sign) has Full Moon's aspect the same result happens.
- If, for such lagna, the Moon is there or in the 5th or 10th then similar results happen. If Saturn occupies the 12th, and a malefic aspects the Moon, the woman delivers the child when in bondage or jail.
- If Saturn is in Scorpio or Cancer one of which is the birth aspected by the Moon, the delivery takes place in a hole or hollow or pit.

मन्दे अब्ज गते विलग्नगे बुध सूर्येन्दु निरीक्षिते क्रमात् ।
क्रीडा भवने सुरालये सोवर भूमिषु च प्रसूयते ॥११॥
नृ लग्नगे प्रेक्ष्य कुजः श्मशाने रम्ये सितेन्दु गुरुरम्यहोत्रे ।
रविर्नरेन्द्रामरगो कुलेषु शिल्पालये ज्ञः प्रसवं करोति ॥१२॥
राज्ययंश स मान गोचरे मार्गे जन्म चरे स्थिरे गृहे ।
स्वक्षक्षांश गते स्व मन्दिरे बलयोगात् फलम् अंशकक्षयोः ॥१३॥
आरार्कजयोर्व्यिकोणगे चन्द्रे अस्ते च विमुञ्चते अंबया ।
दृष्टे अमरराज मन्त्रिणा दीर्घायुः सुख भाक् च स स्मृतः ॥१४॥
पापेक्षिते तुहिनगावुदये कुजे अस्ते स्यक्तो विनश्यति कुजार्कजयोस्तथाये ।
सौम्ये अपि पश्यति तथा विध हस्तम् एति सौम्येतरेषु पर हस्त गतोऽप्यनायुः ॥१५॥

- If birth is watery with Saturn in it, aspected by Mercury, the Sun and the Moon, the birth takes place in playgrounds, temples and uncultivated fields, respectively.
- If birth with Sani falls in a Nara Rasi aspected by Kuja the birth happens in a grave-yard; aspected by Sukra and Chandra in pleasant places; aspected by Guru in sacrificial places; aspected by Ravi in royal mansions, cowsheds, or temple premises; aspected by Budha in libraries, art colleges or carpenters' premises. Place of birth happens to be according to the nature of the rasi and navamsa, either at

home or outside. The birth place should be determined according to the strength of the lagna either in rasi or navamsa.

- If the Moon or the Sun is in the 9th or 5th from Saturn and Mars, the child will be forsaken by its mother. If in that combination Jupiter aspects it, the child lives long and prospers although forsaken by its mother.

पितृमातृगृहेषु तद्बलात् तरु शालादिषु नीचगैः शुभः ।
यदि नैक गतैस्तु वीक्षितो लग्नेन्दू विजने प्रसूयते ॥१६॥
मन्दऋक्षांशे शशिनि हिबुके मन्ददृष्टे अब्जगे वा ।
तद् युक्ते वा तमसि शयने नीच संस्थेश भूमौ ।
यद् वद् राजिव्रंजति हरिजं गर्भ मोक्षस्तु तद्वत् पापैश्चन्द्रात्
स्मर सुख गतैः क्लेशम् आहुर्जनन्याः ॥१७॥
स्नेहः शशाङ्काद उदयाच्च वर्तिर्दीपोऽर्कयुक्तऋक्ष वशाच्चरादाः ।
द्वारं च तद्वास्तुनि केन्द्र संस्थैर्ज्ञेयं ग्रहैः वीर्य समन्वितैर्वा ॥१८॥
जीर्णं संस्कृतम् अर्कजे क्षिति सुते दग्धं नवं जीतगौ काष्ठाद्यं
न दृढं रवौ शशि सुते तन् नैक शिल्पयुद्भवम् रम्यं ।
चित्रयुतं नवं च भृगुजे जीर्णे दृढं मन्दिरं चक्रस्थेश
यथोपदेशरचनां सामन्त पूर्वां वदेत् ॥१९॥
मेष कुलीर तुलालि गटैः प्रागुत्तरतो गुरु सौम्य गृहेषु ।
पश्चिमतश्च वृषेज निवासो दक्षिण भाग करौ मृग सिंही ॥२०॥

- If the Moon is in birth aspected by a malefic and has Mars in the 7th the forsaken babe will perish. If in this combination Mars and Saturn are in the 11th, the child dies, if aspected by a benefic, the child gets protection by such caste man as is indicated by the benefic; if aspected by malefics, the child falls to different hands and dies.
- The birth takes place in the house of the father or mother according to the strength of their lords. If benefics occupy debilitated places, birth will be under trees, roads, etc.
- If benefics occupy neecha and if the Moon and birth are unaspected by other planets occupying one house, the birth occurs in lonely places.
- If Moon joins Saturn's amsa or is in the 4th or has aspect of Saturn or occupies watery signs or conjoins with Saturn, then birth takes place in darkness. If there are three or more debilitated planets, birth takes place on the ground. The birth takes place similar to the rasi which rises on a level with the equator.
- If malefics occupy the 4th or 7th from Moon or join Moon, the delivery is attended with much pain. The quantity of oil by Moon, the wick by the birth sign and the light by Sun, the door by the planets in quadrants or by the most powerful of the planets must be ascertained.
- If Saturn is the strongest, the house will be one newly repaired having become old; if Mars is so, it's partly burnt; if Moon, new; if the Sun, the house contains much wood; and if Mercury, built by many artists; if Venus, handsome, painted and new; if Jupiter, strong house; the adjoining houses must be indicated similarly by the planets in the rasis.
- If birth falls in Mesha, Kataka, Thula, Vrischika and Kumbha, or in these navamsa the delivery will be in the eastern part of the house.
- 24. If the birth falls in Guru's or Budha's houses or amsas the delivery happens in the northern part of the house. If it falls in Vrishabha or its amsa the birth takes place in the west and if it falls in Makara or Simha or their navamsas the birth place will be in the southern side.

प्राच्यादि गृहे क्रियादयो द्वौ द्वौ कोण गता हि मूर्तयः ।
शय्यास्वपि वास्तु वद वदेत् पादैः षट त्रि नवान्त्य संस्थितैः ॥२१॥
चन्द्र लग्नान्तर गतैर्ग्रहैः स्युरुपसूतिकाः ।
बहिरन्तर चक्राद अर्धे दृश्यादृश्ये अन्यथा परैः ॥२२॥
लग्न नवांशप तुल्य तनुः स्याद् वीर्ययुत ग्रह तुल्य वपुर्वा ।
चन्द्र समेत नवांशप वर्णः कादि विलग्न विभक्त भ गात्रः ॥२३॥
कं दृक् श्रोत्र नसा कपोल हनवो वक्त्रं च होरादयस्ते
कण्ठांसक बाहु पार्श्व हृदय क्रोडानि नाभिस्ततः ।
वस्तिः शिश्न गुदे ततश्च वृषणावूरू ततो जानुनी ।
जङ्घाऽङ्घ्रीत्युभयत्र वामम् उदितैर्द्रेक्काण भागैस्त्रिधा ॥२४॥
तस्मिन् पापयुतं व्रणे शुभयुते दृष्टे च लक्ष्मादिशेत्
स्वऋक्षांशे स्थिर संयुतेषु सहजः स्याद् अन्यथाऽनुत्थः ।

- The cardinal direction of the lying down must be indicated by two signs from Mesha etc., and the corners by the double-bodied signs. Similarly one must be ascertained for the direction of the bed, etc. The legs of the cost or the sides of the bed must be ascertained by the 6th, 3rd, 9th and 12th houses from lagna.
- The number of women to assist the delivery must be determined by the number of planets between the Moon and the lagna.
- Their presence inside or outside the delivery room has to be learnt by the planets in the invisible and the visible half of the zodiac respectively.
- The body of the child will resemble the planet who is the lord of the navamsa or who is the most powerful. The color of the infant will resemble that of the lord of the navamsa occupied by the Moon. Taking the lagna as head, etc., the limbs resemble the rasis in which they fall.
- If the first drekkana rises in the lagna; by the Drusya and Adrusya halves of the zodiac, left and right sides of head, eyes, ears, nose, temples, cheeks and face must be determined from the lagna respectively.
- If the second drekkana rises in the lagna, neck, shoulders, arms, sides, chest, belly and navel should be similarly determined.
- If the third drekkana rises in the lagna, lower stomach, sexual organ and anus, testicles, thighs, knees, calves and feet must be similarly delineated.
- 32. If those rasis are occupied by the malefics there will be sores or wounds, if these are occupied or aspected by benefics there will be marks; if such planets causing sores, etc.-are in their won rasis or navamsas or infixed signs or navamsas, the sores, etc., will accompany birth, if not they come by accidents after birth.

मन्देऽश्मानिलजोऽग्नि शास्त्र विषजो भौमे बुधे भू भवः सूर्ये काष्ठ
चतुष्पदेन हिंसगो जूहृयब्जजोऽन्यैः शुभम् ॥२५॥
समनुपतिता यस्मिन् भागे वयः स बुधा ग्रहा भवति नियमात् तस्यावाप्तिः शुभेषशुभेषु वा ।
व्रण कृद् अशुभः षष्ठे देहे तनोर्भ समाश्रिते तिलकम्
अब्जकृद् दृष्टः सौम्यैर्युतश्च स लक्ष्मवान ॥२६॥

- If such a planet is Saturn the wounds will be caused by stones and windy diseases; if Mars by fire, weapons and poisons; if Mercury by the earth or the ground; if the Sun by wood or quadrupeds; if the Moon by horned animals or aquatics;if they are other planets then there will be no wounds.
- If Mercury joins three other planets in any rasi he will cause wounds in that organ which is governed by it. If an evil planet is in the 6th from birth, there will be wound in that organ represented by that rasi.
- If such a malefic has beneficial aspect then there will be Thilaka, Masaka, etc., there.
- If benefics join him there will be Lakshma, etc.

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