



ROLE OF SATURN IN POLITICS

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ABSTRACT

Role of Saturn is very important in Political career. If Saturn is strongly placed in a birth chart, it promises the native, position of an Emperor, King or Head of the state or country. In the current context, it promises the native to become President, Prime Minister, Chief Minister or Cabinet Minister. Saturn's influence on humans are contradictory and complex. Saturn, on one side can revitalize the native and catapult him to the status of a Country Head or ruthlessly, ruin and paralyze the native. Position of Saturn individually or in conjunction with planets brings us to a point, which eventually turns around the future prospects of the native. Saturn positioned in the 10th house takes the native to dizzy heights but it does not bring steep fall from power as is generally believed.

KEYWORDS

Saturn, Placements, King, Leader, Discipline, Politics, task master, Jataka, Parijata, Rahu, etc.

INTRODUCTION

ग्रहाः राज्यं प्रयच्छन्ति ग्रहाः राज्यं हरन्ति च I

ग्रहेः व्याप्तमिदं सर्वं त्रैलोक्यं सचराचरम् II *

Graha Rajyam Prayachhanti,
Graha Rajyam Haranti Cha |
Grahaee Vyaptamidam Sarvam
Trailokyam Sacharacharam ||

The above sloka aptly suits the planet, **Saturn**. Character of Saturn is very contradictory and enigmatic. Saturn placed in its own, exaltation or friendly signs in a square or trine house give political career. A trine lord Saturn placed in the 10th house can take one from rags to riches through politics and vice-versa.

All planets and earth revolve around the Sun, which is also referred to as heliocentric.

Sun is referred to as the King in Astrology and represents Federal Government. Good placement of Sun in the horoscope, ensures kingly status to the native and high position in the government.

Moon is referred to as the Queen and she represents the people, mother and public relations and the local government.

Saturn is farthest from Sun and is devoid of the energy rays from the Sun, signifying darkness and cold. It is gaseous in nature, representing the air. There being no heat and energy reaching the Saturn, it is considered that authorities or kings are not helping. As a result, Saturn is inimical and hates the ruling combo of Sun, Moon and Mars.

Saturn represents loneliness, traveler in the dark, with no support. That is the reason he represents the masses because masses have no authority and are powerless. Saturn denotes population as it has maximum number of moons – 53 in total. Therefore, even though he is least powerful in authority, yet he is the King Maker, as people vote for their leaders. Everything depends on the people, who produce the goods and services consumed by all. Saturn is hidden foundation of the society (representing the steel) without which the building cannot stand even for a moment.

Saturn is against the Autocracy and favors Democracy

Saturn rules over the masses which is predominantly the nature of a politician. Saturn favors Democracy. Democracy is a government, which is formed by the people, for the people and of the people. Strongly placed Saturn gives the determination and tenacity to face the challenges and win against the odds. Saturn represents a sense of responsibility, upliftment of the downtrodden, duty towards the people and selfless dedication to the government. On the personal level, Saturn induces the sense of inferiority complex and failure in achieving the objectives. The fear of failure drives the native to persevere against obstacles and achieve things.

Saturn has inimical relations with Sun, which means Saturn is against the Autocracy and favors Democracy. Sometimes Saturn retaliates against the arrogant rulers and when that happens, the leaders face the

wrath of common man across the world and revolutions happen!! This happened during 2011-2014 – India saw the BJP wave defeating the Indian National Congress in the General Elections. Mr. Narendra Modi became the Prime Minister and continues to lead the nation to date.

Saturn is the signfactor of Karma, discipline, justice, hard work and he is the judge. In Democracy, people judge and cast their vote to elect their leaders, who are expected to serve the people as elected servant leaders. Hence in the present day context, he is referred to as the King Maker. Saturn has the ability to change the fate of a native from rags to riches and vice-versa. Saturn owns Capricorn and Aquarius. Capricorn being the 10th house and Aquarius, the 11th of natural zodiac. That makes him the natural signfactor of profession and career. Placement of Saturn in 10th is considered special. 10th house is also known as Karma Bhava and Saturn as Karma Karaka.

When all the planets i.e., Sun, Moon and Saturn are well placed and strong in a horoscope, the native will become a successful politician. Sun and Moon can indicate the potential of becoming a politician for the native but the blessings of Saturn is must for becoming a successful politician. Placement of **Saturn** in the 1st, 3rd, 6th, 10th and 11th house is highly favorable for a career in **politics**.

Politics is made up of two words. 'Poli,' means **many**, and 'tics' means **blood-sucking insects** in Greek language.

Politics as a subject is one of the most challenging and interesting subject just like the Planet Saturn. Be it anywhere across the world, it attracts people around it. Politics is all about power, wealth and status for the individual. Politicians are the elected representatives of the people. They are expected to serve their countrymen by good governance, ensure growth, development and protect the nation. Presently, politics has become good profession to earn money and fame and no more a social service. To become a successful politician, one needs to have the traits of good communication, domination, wisdom, leadership quality, and moreover service to the mankind.

When the going gets tough, the tough gets going

By Hook or by crook, everyone aspires for a career in Politics. But everyone can't be a Ruler or politician. Saturn's objective is to burn the previous birth negative Karma and ensure that the suffering leads to internal churning within the soul and realize the hidden potential within to endure the challenges of life.

Favorable positions of Saturn to become a politician:

- Saturn positioned in its own sign i.e. Capricorn or Aquarius.
- Saturn positioned in 10th house being the lord of 5th and 9th house.
- Saturn positioned in 6th & 11th house is also favorable for career in politics.

A peek at the significations of Saturn gives us insights on the roles and responsibilities of Saturn placed in 6th 8th and 12th bhavas.

Bhava Karakatwas of Saturn :
Saturn signifies 6th, 8th and 12th house

6th House: House of enemies, sorrow, disease, weapon, danger, service and loss. Karakas are Saturn and Mars.

Politicians should have ability to face the enemies, battles, incur loss and be ready to serve the people at large.

रोगारिव्यसनक्षतानि वसुधापुत्रारितिक्रिन्त्ये-
दुक्तं रोगकरं तदेव रिपुगे जीवे जितारिभवेत् I**

In Jataka Parijata, 6th bhava, 71st shloka, author Vaidhyanatha Dikshita states that 6th house decides matters regarding disease, enemies, sorrow, wounds should be assessed from the 6th bhava and Mars. Jupiter in 6th, indicates winning over the enemies, though he gives diseases related to Jupiter.

8th house: Longevity, battle, destruction, death. Karaka: Saturn

आयुर्दयमनिष्ठेतुमुद्यमोमायुरीशार्कजैरुक्तं
तत्सकलं तथापि निघनप्राप्तिं प्रवक्ष्ये पुनः I**

Life span, death, causes of death, place of death, victory, defeat, sensual power related matters are decided by this house.

Life and life span of politicians is very crucial for the country's stability and well-being. Position of Saturn needs to be considered in depth for this analysis. Saturn in 8th house, gives enormous wealth which is necessary for politics and politicians.

10th house: House of karma or actions. Karakas: Mercury, Saturn

आज्ञामानविभूषणानि वसनव्यापारनिद्राकृषि-
प्रब्रज्यागमकर्मजीवनयशोविज्ञानविद्याः क्रमात् II

Orders, command, power, honor, cloths, jewelry, sleep, livelihood, agriculture, position, travel, conduct, science, prestige, honor, etc., are seen from this house.

Special Note: Placed in 10th house, Saturn, promises the native to become a ruler or a minister. Native will show interest in agriculture, will be famous, rich and brave. He will be interested to work for the downtrodden masses. Native's career will be marked by sudden ups and downs

12th house: House of Expenditure. Karaka: Saturn

लम्नादन्यतदीशभानुतनयैर्दूरारतं दुर्गतिं I
दातृत्वं शयनादिसौख्यविभवं वित्तक्षयं चिन्तयेत् II

If Saturn is placed in 12th, native will not have comforts of bed, will undertake long journeys, will be a spendthrift, imprisonment, decline in wealth are considered for this house.

Politicians are expected to serve the nation and not forget their duties and responsibilities towards the people. Saturn ensures that all comforts are withdrawn for a public person, so that he can discharge his duties to the people who have elected him. In the course of the journey, he may also get imprisoned which is very common among the politicians. Saturn in 12th, promises fortune for the native and also extremely damaging as the native is bound to have a downfall of post, position, wealth etc. Native may suffer imprisonment, poverty, funerals, prosecution etc.

Saturn – Planet of Zero State of Scarcity

Saturn makes the native to start from scratch. That is the only way to discipline and ensure that people perform actions to reap the results of their own Karma. In the absence of action, native suffers sorrow, scarcity, conflict, miseries and the native may be forced to lead a life useless entity.

It has been observed that people influenced by strong Saturn do not get political career passed onto them as a family heritage, generation after generation but they have to work very hard and reach the highest position.

In Karma theory, Saturn known as Planet of Destiny. Saturn is deeply associated with the Prarabdha karma (which gets fructified in the present birth or the operative part of pre-destiny). Saturn is unbiased and neutral in teaching the life lessons for the native based on their karma. Saturn can delay but never denies the fruits of Karma as he occupies the exalted seat of Justice in Libra, wherein he tumbles and

humbles the mighty ones. As gold becomes purified in fire, so also humans get evolved facing the rough and tough times of life with equanimity, gentleness without making fuss. Napoleon rightly says that 'It requires more courage to suffer than to die'. Such is the impact of Saturn's power of discipline and he is the ultimate and supreme judge and commands respect by being merciless. Saturn has **two special** features:

- Sadesati, during which he controls the mind of the native's mind and make him feel depressed.
- Shani vat Rahu, wherein Rahu acts like Saturn, especially for Libra ascendant, wherein he is the Yoga karaka. If native experiences both Rahu and Saturn dasa in his lifetime, the results are excellent. Eg Mahatma Gandhi, Sri. Atal Bihari Vajpayee.

Case Study 1: Saturn's role in making the native Prime Minister Dr. Manmohan Singh

14th Prime Minister of India. Period - 2004- 2014

Rahu	26 Sep 1932, 14.00 hrs, Jheelum,	Moon, Mars, Ven	
SatR	Pakistan Rasi / D1		Jup, Ketu
Asc		Mer, Sun	
	Mer	Sun	Rahu
	Ven, SatR	Navamsha / D9	
	Moon	Ketu, Asc	Mars Jup

Analysis:

Dr. Manmohan Singh is the 1st Sikh Prime Minister of India.

1st House:

For Sagittarius lagna, Sun, Lord of 9th and Mercury, lord of 10th positioned together in 10th confers Raja Yoga in addition to Budhaaditya yoga, Sreenatha Yoga and Bhadra Yoga for the native, indicating high position in authority. Mercury, lord of 7th and 10th, is exalted. He very analytical and an intelligent person and was one of the greatest Economist that India has seen.

2nd House:

Retro **Saturn** is placed in 2nd house which indicates that the native speaks fair, deep and slow. **Saturn** is aspecting the 4th house of education indicating long study process. He was successful in completing his Phd in Economics. **Saturn's** placement in 2nd also indicate steady and slow growth in wealth and status. He could formulate sound strategy to achieve his objective.

6th & 11th house:

Powerful Saturn is aspecting Venus, the lord of 6th and 11th house and the 11th house from his 10th aspect. Mars and Rahu are also aspecting the 11th house. He became the Prime Minister of India during Rahu Dasa.

Moon / Cancer Rasi: Cancer sign and Moon signify masses. Moon, Mars and Venus in Cancer indicates native's connection with the public at large.

Navamsha: Strong Saturn is placed along with Venus in his Moolatrikona sign indicating long life. Lagna Lord Jupiter is placed in 10th house in D9.

Case Study 2: Shani Vat Rahu – Rahu's role in making native Mahatma or the Father of the Nation***

Sri. Mohandas Karamchand Gandhi – 2 Oct 1869 to 31 Jan 1948

		Jupiter	
	Mahatma Gandhi		Rahu
Ketu	2 Oct 1869 07.45 am Porbandar Rasi / D1		Moon
	Sat	Asc, Mer, Mars, Ven	Sun
	Mer	Sun	Rahu
	Ven, SatR	Navamsha/D9	
	Moon	Ketu, Asc	Mars Jup

Analysis:

Saturn: Saturn is Yoga karaka being the lord of 4th and 5th is placed in inimical and maraka sign, Scorpio aspected by Rahu. This placement of Saturn makes him devoid of wealth and family life.

Saturn's 10th aspect on Moon, made him the ruler of mass. For such a mass following, native should have a strong and fortified 10th house, by aspect, conjunction or placement of benefic planet.

Saturn is aspecting Jupiter who is placed in 10th house from Moon. This placement made him spiritual in nature and led the non-violence movement to free India from the clutches of British.

Saturn placed in 2nd is aspecting the 8th house along with Mars. This indicate untimely death. He was shot dead on 31 Jan 1948.

Rahu:

Rahu is placed in 10th house and aspecting Saturn from his 5th aspect. Gandhiji's political career started in Rahu Dasa (11 Jun 1919) for his involvement in the fight for Swaraj. During Rahu dasa and Rahu bhukti, he was arrested for the civil disobedience movement and on his release from the jail, he became the National Leader. Rahu is placed 12th from Moon, indicating imprisonment, loss, underground cells, etc. During Rahu Dasa, he was completely engaged in freedom struggle. He has extraordinary influence on the government without occupying an office.

His Rahu dasa was completely influenced by Saturn.

Moon: placed in Cancer, own house, the Midheaven, or the 10th House. Moon's position made him a ruler of the mass and won the hearts of millions of people. Moon is hemmed between two malefic – Sun and Rahu and Jupiter is aspecting the 12th house, Moksha Sthana. This particular combination made him believe in Satya, Ahimsa and Bramhacharya and laid the stress on Truth (Satya). That was his soul's strength.

Jupiter: Jupiter is lord of 3rd and 6th house, aspecting Sun - placed in 12th house, Saturn – placed in 2nd and Ketu – Placed in 4th from Lagna. This makes the native spiritual in nature. Jupiter is debilitated in navamsha which makes the native work against the orthodox beliefs and conservative sentiments prevalent in Indian social and religious life.

Mars: placed in Ascendant gave him the fighting spirit. He led the freedom fight against the British Rulers. He was sent to prison at the fag-end of Mars Dasa and struggle continued in the entire Rahu Dasa.

Saturn Transit–2020: Impact on Economy & Politics

Saturn moved to Capricorn on 24 January 2020 and will be positioned there till April 2022. Then he will move to his Moolatrikona sign till March 2025. Saturn being the lord of 10th and 11th in the natural zodiac will have an immense and powerful impact for the next five years on the economy and political situation of the world.

Impact on Economy: Saturn is karma karaka. He is responsible for job, profession, politics, recognition, name and fame. Capricorn is considered as the hiring sign. As a result of Saturn's placement in Capricorn, there could be changes in hiring policies all over the world. In nutshell, there could be more hiring on contract and short term jobs as compared to permanent and long term jobs in government and private sectors.

Impact on Politics: Saturn being a representative of the masses, there could be wide spread agitation against the authority at center and fight for equal rights when Saturn is placed in Capricorn and the results of such agitations can be seen when he moved to Aquarius.

Few incidents in the past during Saturn transit in Capricorn which were of intense socio-political changes.

1990 – 1993

1. Reservation Policy of 27% was introduced by National Front Government led by Mr. VP Singh, which results in mass pro and anti-reservation stirs across the nation.
2. Ayodhya dispute: Rath Yatra incident where Karsevaks were killed during firing in Sep 1990 & 6 Dec 1992 disputed structure in Ayodhya was demolished.
3. Economy suffered due to political turbulence. This was during the period of Prime Minister, Sri. PV Narasimha Rao.

1961 - 1964

- India suffered a humiliating defeat under the hands of China Sino-

Indian War in 1962, leading to fall of the then Prime Minister, Pt. Jawaharlal Nehru.

- Jammu and Kashmir National Liberation Front launched an armed struggle for an independent and unified Kashmir.

Saturn is Auspicious or Inauspicious??

Humans are scared of the wrath of Saturn. But does he always harm? No, he is not harmful at all. Rather, if the impact of Saturn is seen well in advance and seeks pardon through austerities and worship, then the malefic influence will reduce drastically, which is contrary and difficult to change the harmful and malefic effects of other planets like Rahu, Jupiter, Venus etc. Saturn is harmful only if he is malefic but if he is benefic, he will make a beggar become a king.

CONCLUSION:

Saturn acts as cosmic auditor, wherein his transit periods are fixed and he would audit the life of the native at the scheduled time, give a check list for compliance and make your operations better. If you fail to comply, you are dismissed from your current status ruthlessly.

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