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6th House

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In Jyotish, results are based on 12 rasis, 12 houses and 9 Grahas. From the 12 houses, events of a native from birth to death can be judged. Each house signifies different things of life. From the 6th house debt, enemies, diseases, weapons, wounds, war, bad (cruel) karma, sin, fears can be judged.

In the beginning these houses are divided into 2 groups as Kendras and Upachayas. Kendras are 1, 4, 7, 10 houses. Panapharas are 2, 5, 8, 11 houses. 3, 6, 9, 12 are Apoklimas. If a planet is in Kendra then it will get 1 roop (unit), if it is in Panapara will get 1/2 roop and if it is in Apoklima it will get 1/4 roop. From Lagna Upachayas are 3, 6, 10, 11 and the rest of the houses are Apachayas. Trik or Dusthanas are 3, 8, 12 from lagna. In this way 6th house is also known as *Trik* or *dukhsthana* (house of sadness).

As per Sage Garga in *Balbhadra* as to when to judge the 6th house as Upachaya or Dukhsthana is as given below:

“Stanza from Hora Ratnam (1/95)



अथोपचय संज्ञास्यात् त्रिलाभारिकर्मणाम्।

न छेद् भवन्ति दृष्टास्ते पाप स्व स्वामि शत्रुभिः ॥

Meaning- 3, 6, 10, 11, houses are said to be upachayas. If these houses are aspected by papa Grahas or inimical planets, or own lord then it is not an upachaya anymore.

Meaning of upachaya is 'going up'. This is the reason why upachaya is called a good place. Dukhsthana is bad or inauspicious place. Both are different”.

Mantreshwara gave yogas related to upachaya and dukhsthana. When 6th house becomes upachaya then it becomes Astra (weapon) yoga else if it is a dukhsthana it will become a Harsh¹ (delight) yoga. Both the results are said to be good.

Stanza from Phaladeepika (9/44)

अस्त्र योग – “भावैः सौम्ययुतोक्षितैस्तदधिपैः सुस्थानगैर्भास्वरेः स्वोच्चस्वर्क्ष गतैः...”

Stanza from Phaladeepika (6/50)

शत्रून् बलिष्ठान् बलंर्वात्रगृह्या क्रूर प्रवृत्त्या सहितो, अभिमानि,

व्रणङ्किताङ्गश्च विवादकारी स्यादस्त्रयोगे दृढगात्रयुक्तः ॥

If the planet owning the 6th house (1) not in weak state (asth) (2) if in own house or exalted or (3) in good placement and (4) if 6th house has benefic or aspect from a benefic planet then it will be Astra yoga. The native born in Astra yoga will defeat toughest enemies and will be very hard hearted, self-respectful. Native will have a strong body but will have marks due to boils, will be arguer and enjoys debates.

In this yoga, house and planet owning the house will fulfill all those rules, required for a house to give good results are necessary. According to Mantreshwara the good results of a house will come in the following conditions.

Stanza from Phaladeepika(15/1)

भावासर्वे शुभपतियुतावीक्षिता वा शुभेशैस्तत्तद्भावाः सकल फलदाः पापदृयोगहीनाः।

पापाः सर्वे भवन पतयश्चेदिहाहुस्तथैव खेटैः सर्वैः शुभ फलमिदं नीचमूढारिहीनैः ॥

¹ Pls do not interpret it as harsh word of English language.

Meaning (1) the house which has its own lord or aspect from its own lord (if the lord is malefic then also it gives good results)

(2) if the house has naisargika benefic planet or aspects whichever house (naisargika benefic planets are Jupiter, Venus, waxing Moon or Mercury conjunct with any of these planets)

(3) if the house doesn't have a malefic or aspect from malefic

Then only the planets give good results and if not in debility, without strength (asth) or inimical house. If with anyone or two or all of these doshas (defects) then it will have strength or devoid totally.

In this way 6th lord gives results in 6th house.

Harsh Yoga

Stanza from Phaladeepika(1/51)

दुःस्थैर्भावगृहेश्वरैरशुभसंयुक्तेक्षितैर्वा

Stanza from Phaladeepika(1/13)

सुख भोगभाग्य दृढगात्रसंयुतो निहताहितोभवति पापभीरुकः ।

प्रथीत प्रथान जनवल्लभो धनयूति मित्र कीर्ति सुतवांश्चहर्षजः ॥

(1) If the 6th house has malefics or aspect and

(2) If the 6th lord is in dukhsthana (3, 8, 12) then it is called Harsh Yoga. Native will be wealthy, with strong body, enjoys comforts and will be happy, defeats enemies and will be afraid of committing sin, will be well known, will be dear to people. Will have happiness from wealth, sons, and friends. Will be famous and face will have glow.

These yogas are judged based on the Ascendant.

Aries Ascendant- 6th lord will be mercury and also owns 3rd house. If the mercury is not weak (asth) and if Virgo is not with malefic or any aspect from malefic and if mercury is in Gemini or Virgo it will be Astra yoga. The scholars who judge 6th house for uncle, in their view mercury in 6th house is not good. Mercury placed in Gemini is considered good.

Taurus Ascendant -6th lord is Venus. Venus is also lagna lord. As lagna lord wherever Venus is, it gives auspicious results of that house. If in 6th house, it will give auspicious results of that 6th because 6th house is Libra, which is the moolatrikona of Venus. Parasara also said for Taurus and Scorpio ascendant 6th lord is not considered a flaw.

Gemini Ascendant- 6th lord is Mars in moolatrikona and aspects ascendant, so gives auspicious results of 6th house.

Cancer Ascendant- 6th lord Jupiter is also 9th lord. Sagittarius is also moolatrikona, so even in 6th house it gives auspicious results. For cancer ascendant Jupiter is considered very auspicious.

Leo Ascendant- 6th lord Saturn is also 7th lord. In 6th house as 7th lord Saturn doesn't give good results of the 7th house *completely*. Because from 7th house Saturn is in 12th, Aquarius is the moolatrikona.

Virgo Ascendant- Saturn is also 5th lord. Being in 5th house it gives good results of 5th house and if in 6th house results of own house.

Libra Ascendant- Jupiter being 3rd and 6th lord is *not* auspicious. If in 6th house it *gives good* results.

Scorpio Ascendant- 6th lord is Mars being ascendant lord and in moolatrikona it gives good results as it aspects ascendant, which is good.

Sagittarius Ascendant- 6th lord is Venus. *Most scholars* think Venus being in 6th is not good. (From karaka house it is in 12th). *Being in own house it is good.*

Capricorn Ascendant- 6th lord is Mercury. Being in own house it is good, *but for uncle it is bad*, because it is in the karaka house.

Aquarius Ascendant- 6th is moon, *results are based on waxing or waning moon*. Waning moon is not good while waxing moon is good.

Pisces Ascendant- 6th lord is sun and in 6th gives good results.

Results based on the planet in 6th house

Sun-king like, minister, judge, famous successful politician, brave, kills enemies, strong, desirous, wealthy. If has auspicious aspect will have excellent administrative qualities, successful in all works.

Moon-if waning moon – short life, soft witted, disease related to stomach. If waxing long life.

Mars- blazing digestion, respectful, famous, beautiful body, well known, defeats foes, successful executive, wealthy.

Mercury-lazy, savage like speech, kills foes, interested in debates, gets angry easily, *interruption in education.*

Jupiter- kills foes, bad digestion, *liver diseases*, clever, *one who does mantras*.

Venus- poor, without foes, unhappy, relationship with lot of women, invective, without strength.

Saturn- eats immodestly, wealthy, kills enemies, treacherous, cavalier, desirous.

Rahu- noble, enjoys comforts, long life, *disease in anus*, suffering related to *hips*, suffers due to *enemies*.

Ketu- generous, good character, famous, attains good position, defeats enemies, gets what he wants.

Judging From Karaka

Each house has a karaka. For the 6th house, Mars is the karaka. Some scholars think both mars and saturn are the karakas. Judge from mars too.

House, house lord, karaka if strong, then the good results pertaining to that house will be seen.

Results of planets from dasa/anatardasa of a house.

1. 6th lord
2. Planet which aspects 6th lord
3. Planet conjunct with 6th lord
4. Planet in 6th house
5. Planet which aspects 6th house
6. Karaka for 6th house-mars
7. 6th from moon

If the dasa lord and antardasa lord coincides with any of the above mentioned seven points, then effects the native, else effect will be limited.

In the middle of the house gives 100% results, if in the intersection of the house, zero results, measure between the two.

In the classical texts, for every house mid-point is considered from the longitude of ascendant. Every house has 30 degrees.

Results based on the strength of the planets.

If the 6th lord is strong, in the dasa of the planet native will defeat his enemies, will be without diseases, generous, wealthy.

Stanza from Phaladeepika (20/7)

रिपूत्रिहन्ति साहसैर ऐश्वर्यस्य वत्सरे। अरोगतामुदारतामघृष्यतामति श्रियम्॥

If the 6th lord is without strength then in the dasa of the 6th lord, native will fear from thieves, diseases, wounds, gets ill fame and dishonor.

Stanza from Phaladeepika (20/21)

चोराद्धीतिमनर्थतां च दमनं रोगान् बहुन्दुष्कृतिं।

भृत्यत्वं लभतेऽवमानमयशः षष्ठेश दाये व्रणम्॥

Strength means shadbal. Sun-6-5, moon-7, mars-5, mercury-7, jupiter-6-5, venus-5-5, and Saturn 5 (roop) points will have strength.

If a house if gets 6 points is of strength.

If inauspicious planet is of without strength, then it gives more bad results. If it has strength, it gives less bad results.

Stanza from Phala Deepika (15/1).

भावेश्वरे दुर्बले दोषोऽतीव भवेद् बलेन सहिते दोषाल्पता ॥

Thus one has to observe more details of the 6H from other sources.