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5TH BHAVA AND BLESSING OF CHILDREN

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ABSTRACT

In Hindu families children are more important than property. Children are the great riches of family. A son in Hindu family is considered to spread the family tree into future generations. The family tree which consists of generation of branches and the tree is kept the tradition going is only due to a son. Daughter is considered as the property of the family she will go after her marriage. According to present Acts sons and daughters are having equal rights in the family. In vedic astrology Child birth is seen from the 5th house and its lord, 9th house its lord, and position of Puthra karaka Jupiter. Even though the fifth house and position of Jupiter may be strong and all the indications for the birth of children as present, there will be no issues, if there is no strength or vitality for Beeja and Kshetra. Beeja is the seed of the male and Kshetra is the bed of the woman. Husband and wife with a congenital defect are more likely to have a slight delay in child birth or to have no children at all. It can be determined on the basis of various studies only. In the view of Indian astrology, birth of children is researched in the article.

KEYWORDS

Riches, Puthrakaraka, Beeja, Kshetra, Neecha, Maudhya (combustion), Swakshetra, Rasi and Navamsas.

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INTRODUCTION

At our Hindu wedding, when elders bless the newlyweds and the bridegroom, they great him with words, our ancestors and priest bless us with sixteen riches. They also pray God to give them these 16 riches. It is important to know and bless our 16 grand children. In the previous era, each family had many children. At the present era families are minimized with children. Government also implements the family planning system and small family norms. Therefore most of the families are having not more than two children. Some couples prepares, only one child also.

Having children is not a trivial matter. It is traditional. Animals are still multiplying their Species, in ten thousands of ways to day. But humans are only going to shrink with a baby. There warning that virgin is likely to be aborted. Therefore, more than one child, at least two children are necessary.

Birth is the cosmic process

The birth of every child repeats the cosmic process described in the Upanishads of God creating and entering everything created. The Yajur Veda speaks of the womb as the birthplace of the divine.

He is the Deity who pervades all regions, born at first, he is also within the womb. Verily, he who is born and is to be born, Meets his offspring facing him on all sides.

The dignity and worth of the child flows from the fact that she or he embodies the infinite divine. Since Hinduism understands God to be intimately present at the heart of all that is created, we profess and express our value and commitment to God by our value and love for all in which God is present

Child birth in astrology

Astrologers who have appeared in human birth are not allowed to say accurately whether the child is blessed or not. This is a Brahma secret. This is because it is determined by the Karmic reaction of horoscope. As well as how many children per horoscope; have a baby boy? Do you have a baby girl? As certain tips are sure to be in a birth horoscope. This will be determined after examining the birth horoscope of both husband and wife. It can also be seen that a husband and wife have blessed the child by the grace of GOD for one in a thousand couples even after examining their birth horoscope and including that the child is not blessed at all.

For a man, whether he is blessed with a child or not, the 5th house from Lagna and the Lord of 5th house have to be examined. The position of the Guru (Jupiter) who is the puthra karaka should also to be examined and then known by examining the birth horoscope of a Jataka. Similarly it a woman wants to know whether she blessed with a child or not, she should examine the horoscope and find out the 9th house from Lagna and the states of the Guru (Jupiter).

House of children

"Jataka Paladeepika" the traditional astrology text book, written by "Mantreswara" has explained favorable conditions to the birth of children.

The conditions

The occupation of good positions by Guru and the lord of the 5th house from Lagna and Chandra Lagna, the 5th house having the aspect of benefic planets or of the lords of auspicious houses, the combination in the same house of the lord of Lagna and the lord of the 5th house, the mutual aspect of these two lords or their occupying each other's houses.

If malefic planets aspect or occupy the 5thhouse from Lagna, Guru or the 5th house or if the lord of the 5th house joins a malefic planet or is aspected by a malefic, or if those houses are not occupied or aspected by benefics, or if malefic planets stand in the house on either sides of the 5th house or of the house occupied by the lord of the 5th house, or if the lord of the 5th house takes an unfavorable position, the subject is not likely to beget children.

If a malefic planet occupying the 5th house is in 'swakshetra' (own house) the native will have children. If a malefic planetis in 'swakshetra' stands in the 5th house in company with a malefic planet there will be lose of children.

As a general rule, if Vrischika (Scorpio), Rishabha (Taurus), Kanya (Vigro) and Simha (Leo) happen to be the 5th house, the subject will have only a few children. It may also happen that children may be born only late in life.

If sun stands in any of the Rasis(houses) of few children mentioned above, or if Saturn occupies the 8th house, or if Mars occupies lagna or if Saturn, Guru and Mars stand in Lagna, the 8th house and the 12th house or if any of the Rasis of few children happen to be the 5th house, or if Moon is in the 11th house or if a malefic planet is in the 5thhouse from Guru or if many planets stand in Lagna, children may be born after performing expiatory ceremonies and sacrifices.

If the 5th house happens to be the house of Chandra, and Soorya, Kuja or Sukra stands there alone, the subject will have children by his second wife. If sani takes such a position the subject will have a good many children. If Chandra or Budha so stands the

number of children will be limited. Similarly, if Guru occupies the fifth house which happens to be the house of Chandra, a considerable number of daughters will be born.

If malefic planets, Sukra and Chandra occupy the 4th, 7th and 10th house or if the Lagna, 5th, 8th and 12th houses are occupied by malefic, the whole family of the subject will dwindle down. Harmful effects to the subject's family may also be predicted if Sukra and Budha occupy the 7th house, if he 4th house is occupied by Guru along with malefic, if Chandra stands in the 5th house or malefic occupy the Lagna, 8th and the 12th houses.

A person in whose horoscope there is a malefic planet in Legna while the lord of Lagna is in the 5th house, the lord of the 5th house is in the 3rd house and Chandra is in the 4th house, will be without children. If the house of children has "Ojamsa' and Chandra occupies it with the aspect of Soorys, the subject will either suffer loss of children or will be without children.

Adopted children

If the 5th house happens to be owned by Sani or Budhu and if it is associated with or is aspected by Sani or Gulika (Mandi) the lord of Lagna and the lord of the 7th house having no sort of connection with each other, or if the lord of the 5th house is weak, the subject may have adopted children.

Loss of children

Loss of children may be predicted when the lord of the 5th house is in Neecha, in an enemy's house or is in maudhya (combustion) or is associated with the lord of the 6th, 8th or 12th house or when the lord of the 5th house and the 5th house are without the aspect of benefic planets.

The great Rishis are of opinion that if the lord of the 5th house, Guru, Kuja and Soorya have their Amsa in a masculine Rasi, the subject will have a large number of sons. As a general rule, the number of children will be large or small in proportion to the strength or weakness of the lord of the 5th house.

Male and Female Child

If the lord of the 5th house happens to be a male planet, has his Amsa in a male Rasi and combines with or has the aspect of male planets, the subject will have mostly male children. The reverse will be

the case if the planet is a feminine One, has its Amsa in a female Rasi and combines with or has the aspect of feminine planets.

In the case of men children will generally be born when Soorya and Sukra are strong in 'Swakshetra' or have their Amsa in 'swakshetra' and occupy 'Apachaya' rasis. For women, the planets to be considered in this connection are Kuja and Chandra.

Number of children

The number of children a person may have is to be predicted by the number of planets occupying the 5th house, provided they are not in their enemy's house, they are not in Neecha or have their Navamsa in inimical Rasis. The number of issues can also be ascertained from the calculation of "Ashta Vargam" by counting the number of *Bindus in the 5th house from Guru or from Lagna.

Thithi Sphuta

If the reminder, after deducting one fifth of the Chandra sphuta from one fifty of the Soorya sphuta, when counted as Thithi (days in the lunar fortnights) gives a benefic Thithi in the bright fortnight it may b predicted that the subject will be get children in the natural course. If it happens to be a Thithi in the dark fortnight children may not be born at all. In considering these points the strength of the lord of the house of children should also be taken into account. It may, however, be predicted that if the resulting Thithis in the above cases happen to be the New Moon, 'Chhidra Thithis' 'Vishtik-karanam' or 'Sthira Karanam' birth of children may not taken place.

Important combinations

The following combinations bearing on the fifth house have been culled out from important astrological text books such as Jathaka Alangaram, Jathaka Chintamani, Sarvartha chindamani and saravali. They are general in character requiring the skill and intelligence of the astrologer for their correct interpretation and explanation.

If the fifth house has beneficial associations or aspects, there will be children. Lord of the Lagna in the fifth and the fifth lord strong, or exchange of houses between first and fifth lords, favours birth of children. If Jupiter, as lord of the fifth, is strong and aspected by lord of Lagna, one gets many issues.

Lord of the 2nd, possessed of strength, in the fifth aspected by Jupiter, indicates birth of children. Birth of children is also indicated when the lord of the Navamsa occupied by the owner of the fifth be conjoined with or aspected by a benefic or when the lord of the fifth is in benefic amass or when the lord of the Navamsa occupied by the lord of the fifth is in Lagna bhava.

Children will die early if the lord of the fifth occupies 3, 6 or 12 and is aspected by no benefic; when the lord of the fifth is hemmed in between malefic; when the fifth is aspected by a malefic, the lord of the fifth joins an evil planet; when the lord of the 5th occupies cruel and debilitated Navamsas; when the lord of the Drekkana, or the Navamsa, joined by the lord of the twelfth aspects the 5th lord; when Rahu occupying the 5th is aspected by Mars; when Saturn aspected by the Moon occupies the 5th and the lord of the 5th joins Rahu; when Rahu and lord of Lagna are associated with the 5the lord or occupy th 5th.

The family is extinguished when the lord of Lagna is in the 5th, and Lagna and the Moon have evil associations; when the fifth is occupied by Mercury and the Lagna by a malefic; when malefic occupy the 1st, 5th, 8th and 12th houses or the 5th house exclusively and when Mars, Saturn and the Sun occupy respectively the 1st, 8th and 5th houses. The first child will be male, if the 5th lord is in the 1st, 2nd or 3rd or if Mars, Venus and Moon are in com-mon signs, Sagittarius excepted. One would have no child living if Venus is in the 7th, Moon is in the tenth and evil planets are in the 5th from the lord of the houses of Moon or Venus, aspected or joined by them. The first child dies if Mars is in the 5th aspected by Jupiter or Venus. One gets a child in his 32nd year if Jupiter is in the 5th and lord of 5th is with Venus.

An obedient child is born if the 5th lord aspects or occupies the ascendant and lord of Lagna is similarly disposed towards the 5th. A disobedient child is born if the 5th lord is afflicted and unaspected by being Aries or Scorpio, and the Sun and Saturn placed in the 5th and 8th respectively influenced by a benefic, the person will have children late in life.

If the 5th house falls in Gemini, Virgo, Capricorn or Aquarius and has the associations of Saturn or Mani, one will have an adopted son.

When a malefic is in the eleventh house and the Moon and Venus occupy the 5h, the first – born will be a daughter.

The person will have three children if the Sun aspected by a benefic occupies the 5th, or Virgo being Lagna and Saturn is in the 5th; five children if Libra is Lagna and Saturn is in the 5th. If the lords of the 1st and the 5th aspect each other, the son will be obedient to the father. Saturn, Mercury and the Moon in the 5th make one 'purchase' a son for the continuance of the family.

Jupiter in the 5th gives good intellect and memory. Rahu and Saturn in the 5th make one dull and stupid.

Time of child birth

Children will be born during the Das and Antardasa (period and sub - period) of the lord of Lagna, the lords of the 5th and 7th house, Guru, the occupant of 5th house or the planet which aspects that house. Birth of children may also take place when Guru comes to the Rasi occupied by the lord of the 5th house or by *Yamakantaka.

A person may be blessed with a child when the lord of Lagna combines with the lord of the 5th house and comes to his own house or house of exaltation. A similar thing mmay happen when the lord of Lagna enters the house of children or the Rasi occupied by the lord of the house of children.

Children may be born during the Antardasa of the lord of the 5th house or of the planet occupying or aspecting the 5th house occurring in the Das of the lord of Lagna, the lord of the 7th house or the lord of the 5th house.

Birth of children may also take place during the powerful Das or Antardasa of the lord of the 5th house or of Guru or of the lord of the Rasi occupied by the lord of the 5th house or Guru, or of the lord of their Amsaka Rasi.

Men may have children born to them when Guru comes to the Thrikona Rasis (5 or 9) of those occupied by Guru or by the lord of the house of children, or of the Arsis comprising the Navamsas of these planets.

Children may be born when Guru comes to the Thrikona or 'Sphutayoga' of the lord of the birth star or of the lord of the fifth star.

When Soorya comes to the third house from the 'Nishoka Lagna' during transit or when Soorya is in the Thrikona of the 'Adhana Lagna' birth of human beings may take place.

If the lord of the 5th house from 'Adhana Lagna' stands in the house occupied by Chandra or the 9th Rasi, birth may be taken to have occurred as a result of the good deeds in the previous Janma. If the 'Adhana Lagna' has the contact or aspect of a benefic planet, the person born will be long lived and prosperous.

Count the Rasi from Mesha in which the Dwadasamsa of Chandra at that particular time occurs. Count so much from the Rasi in which Chandra stands. That will be the Rasi in which Chandra stands at the time of birth.

As the Lagna and Chandra Lagna in a horoscope are taken into consideration in making predictions these two factors should be examined in the case of 'Prasna', accepting a son, upanayana, (initiation) giving away of the bride, the onset of the first menses and the time of conception.

Beeja and Kshetra Sphuta for issue of child

There are several rules given in astrological books which enable us to find out the details pertaining to the 5th house intimately. Before the 5th house is examined, it is very essential to find out the sterility or otherwise of the marrying couple or even the husband and wife. Though the fifth house may be strong and all the indications for the birth of children as present, there will be no issues if there is no strength or vitality for Beeja and Kshetra.

The great ancient astroger "Mantreswara" has explained in his text "Jataka Paladeepika" the calculation of "Beeja and Kshetra".

In the horoscopes of the women, the monthly period is indicated by Mars and their fertility by Mopn. In the horoscopes of the men the vitality is shown by Sun and fertility by Venus. If these planets Sun and Venus receive good aspects one will surely have children.

Beeja is the seed of the male and Kshetra is the bed of the woman. In other words Beeja and Kshetra represent, not exactly the sperm and the ovum, but the element that really makes the male and female fluids fertile. The husband and wife may be physiologically normal. Their sex relations may be happy. But still if the Beeja an the Kshetra in their horoscope are not strong, when judged according to astrological rules, the will not bring forth any issues. When the Beeja (male) is weal and Kshetra (female) is strong, then children may be born late in life after undertaking the necessary remedial measures.

The strength to cause pregnancy is contributed by the Sun - Lord of vitality - in general. The seminal fluid is governed by Venus. These too must have favorable positions in the horoscope particularly in odd signs. Similarly, in the case of a female, Mars governs the nature of blood and the Moon controls the strength to bear children. These two planets should preferably occupy even signs.

The following simple rule can be easily tested in the majority of case, unless other elusive combinations are present in the horoscope.

In the case of a male, add together the longitude of the Sun, Venus and Jupiter, Expunge multiples of 360". The sign arrived at indicates what is called 'Beeja sphuta' or the longitude of the seed. Similarly in a female horoscope, add together the longitudes of Mars, the Moon and Jupiter. Expunge multiples of 360". The sign arrived at represents the longitude of the bed (Kshetra sphuta). In the male chart if the Beeja sphuta is in amasculine sign in Rasi and Navamsa and if it is also occupied or aspected by a benefits, then there is strength in the seed and the person is capable of procreation. Otherwise he s not promised with child.

Similarly In the female chart the Kshetra sphuta should fall in a female sign both in Rasi and Navamsa, tha lady can have children. andif it is associated with or aspected by benefics, in order to render the female fertile.

Evil and impotent planets should not aspect these sensitive points, nor should evil planets occupy the 5th from Beeja and Kshetra sphutas. Kshetra of Beeja should not fall in a malefic sign even when it is friendly. Rahu should never join these two sensitive points.

Calculation of Beeja sphuta in a male horoscope

Balance of Mercury Dasa at the time of birth: 07 years, 10 months, 23 days.

Beeja Sphuta

	Degrees	Minutes
Sun's Longitudes	. 119	59
Venus' Longitudes	79	58
Jupiter's Longitudes .	265	46
	465	43

Beeja Sphuta = 465.43 - 360 = 105.43

Expunging 360° the remainder is 105° 43' (Pushyam-4) which locates Beeja in Cancer in Rasi and Scorpio in Navamsa. Cancer and Scorpio are female sign. In the male chart if the Beeja sphuta should not fall in female sign in Rasi and Navamsa There is no strength in the seed. The Beeja is not aspected by benefic. 5th house is occupied by Saturn. The person is not capable of procreation. The native of the following horoscope is quite hale and healthy. With all searching medical examination, no constitutional defects have been found. Doctors have said that the powers of procreation are perfectly normal, yet he has no children.

Calculation of Kshetra sphutain a female horoscope

Balance of Saturn Dasa at the time of birth: 12 years, 03 months, 28 days.

Kshetra Sphuta

		Degrees	Minutes
Longitude of	Jupiter	147	42
Longitude	Mars	21	57
Longitude	Moon	338	0
		507	39

Kshetra sphuta = 507.39 - 360 = 147.39

Expunging 360°, the remainder is 147° 39' (Uthiram-1) which locates the Kshetra in Leoin Rasi and Sagittarius in Navamsa. Leo and Sagittariusare male signs. In the female chart if thekshetra sphuta should not fall in male sign in Rasi and Navamsa. Kshektra and Jupiter are aspected by Saturn. Thus the Kshetra is not fertile to give a birth of child.

In both the cases above referred to, owing to the fact that Beeja is an even sign (in Rasi in the male horoscope) and Kshetra is in odd sign (in Rasi in the female horoscope) the fertility cannot be in a pronounced manner. Hence the number of children cannot be very large. The natives of the above two horoscopes are no doubt healthy but have weak constitutions appropriate with saturnine influences on Lagna but the children have been perfectly healthy.

Expiatory remedies

The remedies prescribed for getting over the adverse effects mentioned above are the following:-

If 'Vishtikkarana' or 'Sthirakarana' occurs, God Sri Krishna should be propitiated with 'Purushasukta Mantra'. In the case of 'Shashti' (6th day) God Subramonya should be propitiated. God Nagaraja is to be worshipped if the date happens to be Chathurthi (4th day in the fortnight)

If the data is 'Navami' (9th day) the reciting of Ramayana should be listened to. If it is 'Ashtami' (8th day) besides hearing the reading of Ramayana one should also observe the Ashtami fast. In the case of 'Chaturdasi' (14th days) Rudra pooja should be performed. Gifts of food should be made to the poor if the date is 'Dwadasi' (12th day)

When the date is the 'Panchadasi' sacrifices should be given to the souls of the departed ancestors. If the date falls beyond the 10th day of the dark fortnight children will be born only after performing difficult expiatory ceremonies. In the case of the dark fortnight, for dates falling within the first one third portion of it God 'Nagaraja' will have to be propitiated, for the second one-third, God 'Subramonya' and for the last one-third God Vishnu will have to be worshipped with special sacrifices.

As a general rule, it may be predicted that children will not be born if the lord of the house of children is in an enemy's house or is in 'Neecha' or has reached the Maudhya stage. The same will be the case if the lord of the house of children occupies the 6th, 8th or 12th house. The subject may not have children if the planet occupying the house of children is in its enemy's Rasi, is in debilitation, is in Maudhya or has lordship over unfavourable houses. Birth of children may occur by propitiating the Deity ascribed to the star associated, at the time of birth; with the planet occupying the house of children.

A person becomes children consequent on his causing the anger of Deities etc. by his evil deeds. The nature of those can be judged by the position of planets in his horoscope.

If Soorya stands in the house of children or is associated with the lord of the house of children, childlessness will be due to the subject having roused the anger of 'Siva' or 'Garuda' or on account of curses of his ancestors.

If Chandra is in the above situation, childlessness will be due to the anger of the Mother or a wedded woman (or one who, with or without husband, staying in her father's house) or of the goddess 'Bhagavathi' or due to evil thoughts.

When Kuja is the planet concerned the causes of child, lessness will be the anger of the village Deity, God Subramonya, enemies of Kinsmen.

Budya in the above position points to the causes of childlessness as the curse of babies, the killing of cats or the ire of God Vishnu, Guru standing like that shows that there is a long standing disfavor of a Deity in the family of the subject. It also indicates the existence of curses of Brahmins, disfavor of the preceptor or injury done to fruit trees.

When Sukra is the planet concerned, the destruction of flowering trees, the curses of women or cows, or affiction by 'Yakshi' Gandharva etc. may be predicted as the reason for childlessness. When Sani is in the same situation childlessness will be due to the cutting away of banian trees, the anger of the patron Deity, the curse of spirits or affliction by devils.

If Raghu associates with the lord of the 5th house or occupies the 5th hous;e, childlessness may be caused by the curse of serpents. If Kethu is like that, the curse of Brahmins will be the cause. Gulika in the above position indicates the curse of apirits as the reason for the misfortune. The association of Sukra and Chandra with Gulika in the above situation points to the killing of women and cows as the cause of childlessness. The murdering of Brahmins is to be predicted as the reason for the evil if Guru and Gulika combine with Kethu and occupy the fifth house.

Sages have given the above reasons for a person being childless. If the evil is to be removed and children are to be born he should perform expiatory rites in the shape of penances and sacrifices prescribed for the planets concerned.

As a general rule, expiatory rites like bathing in the holy Sethu, hearing and reading of devotional scriptures, propitiation of Siva and Vishnu, the observance of sacred fasts, acts of charity, ceremonies in favour of the spirits of ancestors, the installation of idols of serpents etc are calculated to remove the misfortune of childlessness.

Example No.1: Male: I-A (Husband)

Date of Birth: 16-08-1937, Time of birth: 12-35 P.M, Place of birth: Chennai.

Saturn		Kethu	Venus.79.58	Sun Venus			Kethu
	R.A	ASI	(Beeja.105.43) Sun.119.59	Moon	NAVASAM		
			Mercury		111111111111111111111111111111111111111		Lag
Jupiter 265.46	Lag,Mars Moon Raghu			Mercury Raghu	Jupiter (Beeja)	Mars Saturn	

Example No.2: Female (Wife)

Date of Birth: 02-07-1945, Time of birth: 07-52A.M, Place of birth: Chennai.

Moon 338.0	Mars 21.57	Venus	Sun, Raghu Saturn	Sun	Saturn		
			Lag Mercury	Raghu			
	RA	LSI	(Kshetra 147.39) Jupiter 147.42	Venus	NAVASAM		Mercury Kethu
Kethu				Jupiter (Kshetra)	Mars	Mars	Moon

CONCLUSION

In India marriage is a sacred occasion for Hindus. Marriage is for reasons such as family, sexuality, birth of heirs, Materialization of property and so on. Queries about marriage, life partner and children are most frequently asked to an astrologer. The Vedic astrology has very good techniques, through which astrologers can predict the blessing of children of a person from his horoscope easily. While making marriage-matching and marriage compatibility, astrologer has to check the issue of children in both male and female horoscopes. Astrology is a divine science as it can foresee any problem root from in the married life of a men and women and can precisely determine which are shall the problem root from.

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