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Parāśara Jyotiṣa Course

Chapter 6
Viśeṣa Bhāva
Viśeṣa Rāśi



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Bhāva – The Houses

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Recap

1. Earlier we learnt the Bhāva Chalita Chakra
2. Now we Learn about Bhāva (houses) in Jyotiṣa
3. This is very important concept as the mind works through various bhāva chakras, thinking in never ending circles



Bhāva means ...

1. becoming, being, existing, occurring, appearance
2. continuance (opp. to cessation), continuity of the thread of existence through successive births
3. any state of mind, way of thinking or feeling, sentiment, opinion, disposition, intention
4. passion , emotion - 2 kinds of Bhāva are enumerated
 - sthāyin or primary - 8 or 9 depending on rasa (sentiments) taken as 8/9
 - vyabhicārin or subordinate - 33 or 34
5. love, affection, attachment
6. the seat of the feelings or affections - heart, mind
7. that which is or exists, thing or substance, being or living creature, all earthly objects, plants and animals
8. an astrological house or lunar mansion
9. birth; place of birth, the womb
10. the world (saṃsāra), universe
11. sense organ
12. superhuman power , the Supreme Being
13. advice , instruction
14. contemplation, meditation



Bhāva

uktā lagnādi - bhāvānām dīptāmsāstithisammitāḥ||

tasmād bhāvatpuraḥ pṛṣṭhei tithyaṃsaistatphalaṃ smṛtam ||10

1. For the aforementioned lagna [i.e. Bhāva, Horā and Ghātikā], the houses (cusp) shine or radiate to an extent of 15° all around – both ahead and behind the bhāva cusp.
2. The bhāva-pura start 15° behind the bhāva cusp
 - Parāśara teaches that the results (phala) are to be ascertained based on tithī-amśa
 - tithī-amśa = 15° where each degree represents one tithī and on either side it represents the two pakṣa
 - Bhāva should be generally treated
 - starting from śukla pratipada 15° behind cusp
 - Full moon light at bhāva cusp
 - Ending at amāvāsya 15° ahead of bhāva cusp
 - Pura (in Bhāva-pura) refers to towns and castles we build in the mind to handle various aspects of life



Pura means ...

- a fortress, castle, city,
- a house, abode, residence, receptacle
- an upper story
- a brothel
- the body, particularly the skin
- a leaf rolled into the shape of a funnel
- Asura called tri-pura - seizer of the tri-bhāva-pura [created by Bhāva, Horā and Ghāṭikā Lagna] which enslaved the mind - Lord Śiva destroys Tri-pura-asura and frees the mind
- capital of Kaliṅga noted for the worship of Jagannāth Kṛṣṇa



Bhāva

lagnāttithyamśaṭṭh purva bhāvārambhaḥ prajāyate |

tithyamśaiḥ paratastasya purtiḥ sandhī ca tau smṛtau ||11

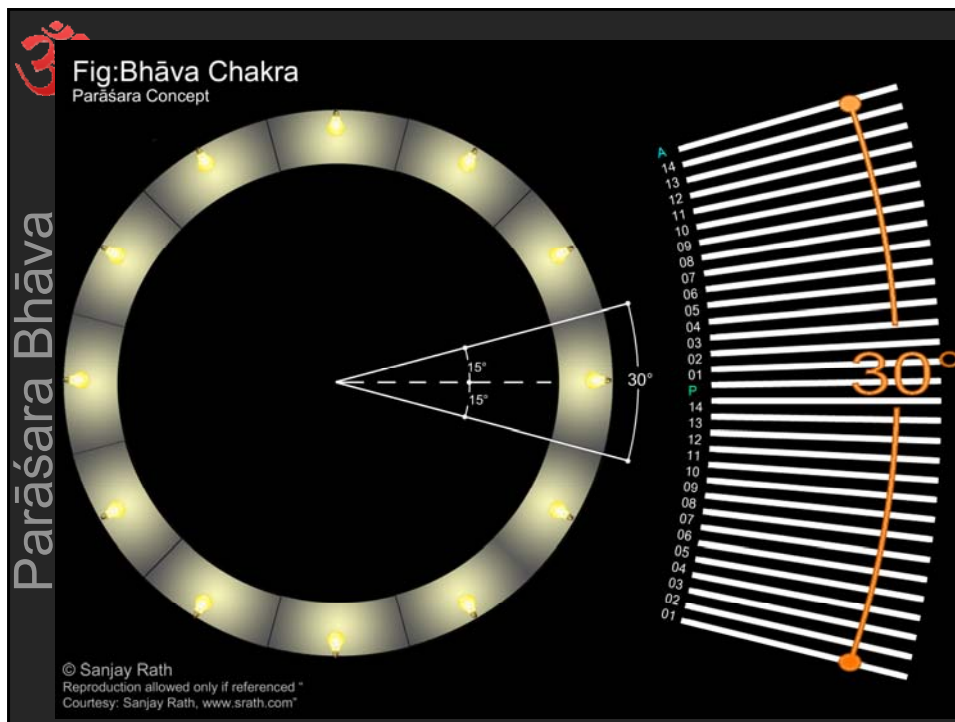
The 15° tithī-amśa portion behind the bhāva cusp is 'pravṛtti' while 15° ahead of the bhāva cusp is 'pūrṭi'. The borders of the bhāva are the start/end of the tithī-amśa.

Pravṛtti –

- coming forth, appearance, manifestation (source, origin);
- advance, progress, requiring activity, exertion, efficacy,
- application, use
- conduct, behaviour, practice
- fate, lot, destiny
- news, tidings,

Pūrṭi –

- filling, completion, ending;
- granting, rewarding, satisfying



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Bhāva Effects of Graha

bhāvārambhau phalārambhau purṇa bhāvasamei grahei |
phalaṁ śūnyaṁ ca bhavāntei jñeyam madhyei'nupātataḥ ||12||

1. The planets give the results of bhāva placement
2. When the planets are in the border/junctions of the bhāva, they do not exhibit any results of the bhāva [Amāvāsya Tithī]
3. When the planets are in the middle (cusp) of the bhāva, they exhibit 100% result [Pūrṇa tithī]
4. Between these extremes, the results are proportionately reduced
 - Simplistic three-fold tool: If the planet is in ~
 - (1) first or last 5°, it has low bhāva results,
 - (2) 5° - 10° middling strength and
 - (3) 10° - 15° Very strong to indicate bhāva results
 - Parāśara has used tithī-amśa implying the need to study in more detail using the degrees



Comparision

svasvadeśodbhavaṃ lagnaṃ janmalagnaṃ mihocyate |
bhāvahorādilagnānām sarvatraiva samakriyā || 27||

- Janma (Udaya) Lagna (Ascendant) is calculated based on a locus (place) whereas viśeṣa lagna (bhāva, horā and ghāṭi) are the same everywhere, free from locus controls.
 - For this reason, the bhāva chakra is different from bhāva chālita chakra – latter uses the MC and indicates all that is fixed at a location.
1. Yet we cannot ignore the fact that the sunrise will alter the janma ghāṭikā (birth time estimated from sunrise) and therefore these ascendants are well under the control of the Sun