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Possibility for existence of astrological planetary positions as per Sage Valmiki-research analysis

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Abstract

Sage Valmiki in Ramayana mentioned that Lord Rama (avatar of Lord Vishnu) was born when five planets were exalted as per Sidereal Ephemeris and Moon is in its own house. In this article, using the Swiss Data Ephemeris, I analyzed the data between 12,000 BC and 12,000 AD in Gregorian Calendar to find the possibilities of such planetary positions. Based on my calculations, similar astrological planetary combination was found on 19th July, 7875 AD. Thus, if the mythological story is true, then it can be assumed that Lord Rama will be re-born on this day.

Keywords: Valmiki, exalted, Rama, sidereal ephemeris

Introduction

According to the article written by Vedveer Arya [1] and an article found on Internet [2], Vālmiki Rāmāyana (Bala Kanda.18/Shloka 8, 9) gives the details of the birth dates of Rama, Bharata, Lakshmana and Shatrughna. Rama was born on the 9th tithi of the 12th month i.e., Chaitra month, Punarvasu nakshatra, Karkata lagna. All five planets were exalted on the birth date of Rama. Bharata was born in Pushya nakshatra and Mina lagna. Lakshmana and Shatrughna were born in Ashlesha nakshatra and Kulira (Karkata) lagna. Rama and his three brothers were incarnated from Vishnu.

According to Sage Valmiki's classical mythological text, he annotated the birth of Lord Rama as follows:

“On completion of the ritual six seasons have passed by and then in the twelfth month, on the ninth day of Chaitra month [April-May,] when the presiding deity of ruling star of the day is Aditi, where the ruling star of day is Punarvasu, the asterism is in the ascendant, and when five of the nine planets viz., Sun, Mars, Jupiter, Saturn, and Venus are at their highest position, when Jupiter with Moon is ascendant in Cancer, and when day is advancing, then Queen Kausalya gave birth to a son with all the divine attributes like lotus-red eyes, lengthy arms, roseate lips, voice like drumbeat, and who took birth to delight the Ikshwaku dynasty, who is adored by all the worlds, and who is the greatly blessed epitome of Vishnu, namely Rama. [1-18-8, 9, 10, 11] “.

Ref: http://www.valmikiramayan.net/bala/sarga18/bala_18_frame.htm

Thus, astrologically speaking, Sun, Mars, Jupiter, Saturn, and Venus are in exalted positions and Moon is in Cancer.

Fig 1A: Excerpts from Sage Valmiki

As per the Institute for Scientific Research on Vedas (I-SERVE), planetarium software has ascertained the birth of Lord Rama as 10th January 5114 BC [2, 3, 4] in Ayodhya. As per the Indian calendar the time of the birth is in-between 12 noon and 1pm, Shukla Paksha in Chaitra month. This was re-emphasized in the book “Dating the era of Lord Ram”, authored by Pushkar Bhatnagar [5].

Using JHORA software, below is the natal chart that depicts Saturn NOT being EXALTED, it's in Vrishchka (Scorpio) with One-degree inclination aka. Rasi Sandhi. Hence, this date is found to be unreliable and possibly incorrect.

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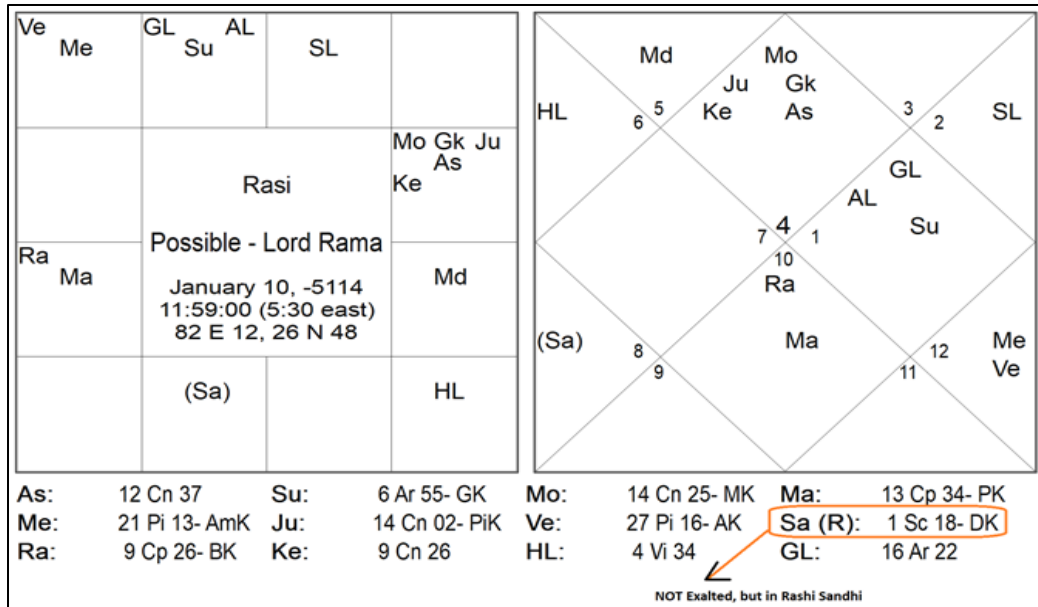


Fig 2A: Natal Planets position as per JHORA software.

Materials and Methods

Using the Swiss Ephemeris available in Astro Databank website, I extracted the data files that contains ephemeris data of the regular planets, Sun, Moon, Mercury, Venus, Mars, Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus, Neptune, Pluto & the Lunar Nodes True Node and Mean Node. The SWISS EPHEMERIS is the high precision ephemeris developed by Astro dentist, largely based upon the Deux ephemerides from NASA's JPL. The original release in 1997 was based on the DE405/406 ephemeris. Since release 2.00 in February 2014, it is based on the DE431 ephemeris released by JPL in September 2013 [6]. The authors provided a software aka. Swetest. Exe which is a command line Windows program which computes planetary positions. It is very versatile and can be used to create tables of ephemerides.

Using Java Computer programming language, I developed a new software that executes this DLL and generated Sidereal

Ephemeris with New Delhi as geographical location and time of calculation as 05:30 AM Local time. With all the available data files, I was able to generate from 12,000 BC until 12,000 AD. Using a separate JAVA Computer program, I analyzed the data and identified the day when all five planets viz. Sun, Mercury, Saturn, Mars, Jupiter & Venus are EXALTED. I then narrowed my results to find the day when Moon is in Cancer (its own house), thus cojoining with Exalted Jupiter.

Results and Discussions

Using Sidereal Ephemeris, I found that there were only TWO possibilities, one on 16th Feb, 7119 BC and again on 19th July, 7875 AD. While JHORA software did not show the same planetary positions for 7119 BC, it did for 7875 ADS (no planet is in Rasi Sandhi or Cusp). Hence, we are more confident that similar planetary positions are possible in 7875AD.

Sun	19.07.7875	5:00:00 UT	15 ar	19' 43.1477
Moon	19.07.7875	5:00:00 UT	8 cn	57' 13.0566
Mercury	19.07.7875	5:00:00 UT	8 ar	29' 0.3969
Venus	19.07.7875	5:00:00 UT	26 pi	25' 29.8873
Mars	19.07.7875	5:00:00 UT	26 cp	17' 7.5108
Jupiter	19.07.7875	5:00:00 UT	28 cn	38' 57.0481
Saturn	19.07.7875	5:00:00 UT	15 li	46' 0.1009

Fig 3A: Planets position as per SWISS Ephemeris in 7875 ADS

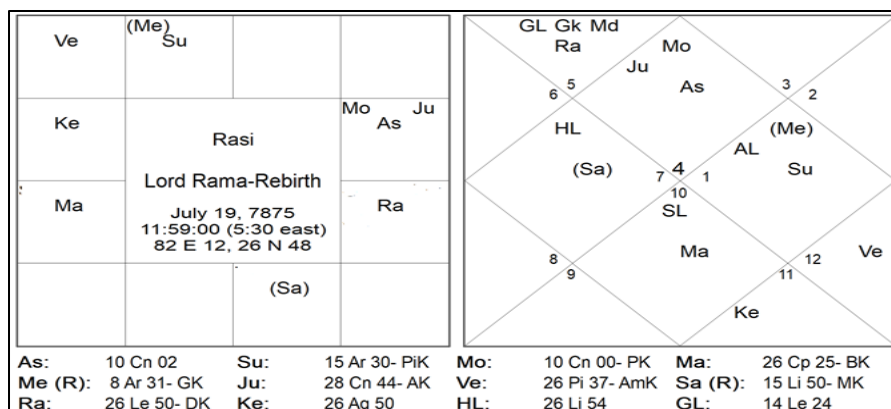


Fig 3B: Natal Planets position as per JHORA software**Conclusion**

Based on my data extracts from the data files obtained from Astro dentist website and cross-referring with JHora ver 8 software, I am able to confirm that on the above day in 7875 ADS, the astrological planetary positions mentioned by Sage Valmiki is possible. This guarantees that on this day, the astrological planetary combinations mentioned by Sage Valmiki really exist irrespective of the correlation of this unique combination with the Mythological story.

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