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Which results did Sun and Aries conferred upon Lord Sri Rama?

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Abstract

Based on our previous research works [4, 32], we found out Sun's position at 7.30 in Aries in Lord Rama's birth chart. In this paper, we examined Lord Sri Rama's life events specific to planet Sun in Aries. This analysis and review confirms that planet Sun and sign Aries both bestowed best results and at times where necessary planet Sun's Satwaguna has dominated Rajoguna of sign Aries.

Keywords: Astrology, Shri Ram, Sun, Aries, Satwaguna, Rajoguna

Introduction

Sage Valmiki in his Ramayana explained planetary positions in the birth chart of Lord Shri Ram but not the precise positions of those planets. Many in the past have explored the possibilities of Lord Shri Ram's life based on the Sage Valmiki's Ramayana. Sureshwara [1] reported that few planets were in exaltation in Lord Shri Ram's birth chart but didn't referred to effects of Sun in Aries. Arjan Dhanak [2] has mentioned that Lord Shri Ram was born at 12.30 p.m. on 10th January 5114 BC, which also refers to the works of Pushkar Bhatnagar but didn't referred to effects of Sun in Aries. An article [3] mentioned that based on a planetarium software and from other theory of Pushkar Bhatnagar, Lord Shri Ram's birth date and time could have been 10th January 5114 BC and at 12:30 pm without any explanation on how the birth time was calculated but didn't referred to effects of Sun in Aries. Akkinapragada *et al*, [4] reported Sun's precise position in Lord Shri Ram's birth chart based on tithi and angle between Sun and Moon in Chaitra month (from Padyami tithi start to Asthami tithi end). Jaganadha Rama Sastry [5] reported that Vedveer Arya's works and other planetary software data were analysed and opines that, Lord Shri Ram was born on 10th January 5114 BC but didn't referred to effects of Sun in Aries. Nandita Pandey [6] reported, Jupiter, Saturn, Mars, Sun, Venus, Rahu and Ketu all in their exalted state along with Mercury in Lord Shri Ram's birth chart but didn't referred to effects of Sun in Aries. Akkinapragada *et al*, [7] reported precise position of Venus by comparing Malavya yoga features mentioned in Brihat Parasara Hora Sastra with Lord Shri Ram's characteristics as detailed by Sage Valmiki in his Ramayana. Another astrologer [8] had discussed about various planetary positions in Lord Shri Ram's birth but didn't referred to effects of Sun in Aries. Stephen Knapp [9] refers to Pushkar Bhatnagar's book dating the Era of Lord Shri Ram and thinks that 10th January 5114 BCE was Lord Shri Ram's birth date and 12:30 pm could be his birth time without any further explanation but didn't referred to effects of Sun in Aries. Gaurav Dave [10] has discussed about various planets and their placements in Lord Shri Ram's birth chart but didn't referred to effects of Sun in Aries.

Akkinapragada *et al*, [11] reported precise position of Jupiter by comparing Hamsa (Hansa) yoga's features mentioned in Brihat Parasara Hora Sastra with Lord Shri Ram's characteristics as detailed by Sage Valmiki in his Ramayana. Kshitij Sharma [12] had mentioned about possible planetary positions in the birth chart of Lord Shri Ram but didn't referred to effects of Sun in Aries. Akkinapragada *et al*, [13] reported precise position of Saturn by comparing Sasa yoga's features mentioned in Brihat Parasara Hora Sastra with Lord Shri Ram's characteristics as detailed by Sage Valmiki in his Ramayana. Jwala Narasimha Rao [14], also referred to Pushkar Bhatnagar's works on Lord Shri Ram and opines that Lord Shri Ram was born on the noon of January 10, 5114 BC (7123 years back) with no details on methodology and also didn't referred to effects of Sun in Aries.

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Author of an article [15] tried to explain various aspects of Lord Shri Ram’s birth chart but didn’t referred to effects of Sun in Aries. Akkinapragada *et al*, [16] gave a detailed explanation of Mercury’s absence in Lord Shri Ram’s birth chart which further enhances the mysteries surrounding Lord Shri Ram’s birth chart. Akash [17] mentioned that Lord Shri Ram was born on 10 January 5114 BCE (about 7129 years ago) but didn’t referred to effects of Sun in Aries. An article [18] refers to Pushkar Bhatnagar’s book Dating the Era of Lord Shri Ram and thinks that 10th January 5114 BCE was Lord Shri Ram’s birth date and 12:30pm but didn’t referred to effects of Sun in Aries. Akkinapragada *et al*, [19] reported precise position of Mars by comparing Ruchaka yoga’s features mentioned in Brihat Parasara Hora Sastra with Lord Shri Ram’s characteristics as detailed by Sage Valmiki in his Ramayana. An article [20] mentioned that Lord Shri Ram was born on 10 January 5115 BC at 12:14:31 but didn’t referred to effects of Sun in Aries. Prof. Desikam [21] referred to Thunchath Ezhuthachan’s Ramayana and mentioned various planetary placements but didn’t referred to effects of Sun in Aries. Akkinapragada *et al*, [22] reported precise position of Moon in Lord Shri Ram’s birth chart, by comparing Effects of first house from Brihat Samhita Hora Sastra slokas with Lord Shri Ram’s characteristics as detailed in Sage Valmiki’s Ramayana. Anik Charan [23] had mentioned that Lord Shri Ram was born 9114 years ago, but did not provide any methodology based on which this was determined but didn’t referred to effects of Sun in Aries. Renay Oshop [24], who is an astrologer herself, tried to compare Sita’s horoscope with Lord Shri Ram’s but it was not clear about the source of Sita’s

horoscope but didn’t referred to effects of Sun in Aries. Akkinapragada *et al*, [25] reported precise birth time of Lord Shri Ram based on Prakasavastha mentioned in Brihat Parasara Hora Sastra.

Based on above references and their conclusions, it is insufficient to corroborate Lord Shri Rama’s nature, personality and life events as described in Sage Valmiki’s Ramayana. In order to do that, we require to know the characteristics and their effects on each planet and their residing rasi. In this research paper, we would like to explore the Sun and sign Aries effects on Lord Sri Rama’s nature, personality and life events as described in Sage Valmiki’s Ramayana.

Method and Materials

With reference to Vālmiki Rāmāyana (Bala Kanda.18/ Slokas 8, 9) [26], five planets were in exaltation in Lord Shri Ram’s birth chart. Akkinapragada *et al*, [4, 7, 11, 13, 19, 22] reported Sun’s, Venus’s, Jupiter’s, Saturn’s, Mars’s and Moon’s precise positions in their exalted states. Akkinapragada *et al*, [16] ruled out the existence of planet Mercury (Budha) in Lord Shri Ram’s birth chart. Akkinapragada *et al*, [25] determined precise birth time of Lord Shri Ram. Akkinapragada *et al*, [28, 29, 30, 31, 32] also reviewed Moon’s, Saturn’s, Mars’s Venus’s and Sun’s precise positions in Lord Sri Ram’s birth chart based on Dasa Vargas. This research considers these planetary positions (Fig-1) and characteristics of Lord Shri Ram mentioned in Sage Valmiki’s Ramayana and proceeds further to review effects and results of Sun in Aries sign according to Brihat Parasara Hora Sastra.

PISCES VENUS [7] (around 17.3⁰)	ARIES SUN [4] (around 7.3⁰)		
	Lord Shri Ram’s birth chart		ASC, CANCER JUPITER [11] (around 2.8125⁰) MOON [22] (around 2.8125⁰)
CAPRICORN MARS [19] (13.33⁰ ± 2⁰)			
		LIBRA SATURN [13] (around 10⁰)	

Fig 1: Based on Akkinapragada *et al*, [4, 7, 11, 13, 19, 22, 16, 25, 28-32]

As per Brihat Parasara Hora Sastra [27], Chapter 3 (“Planetary Characters and Description”), Chapter 4 (“Zodiacal Signs Described”), we conclude the following Table-1 depicting

various attributes of planet Sun and Aries sign as Lord Sri Rama had Sun in Aries in his birth chart.

Table 1: Summary of all slokas from Brihat Parasara Hora Sastra ^[27], Chapters 3 and 4

Index	Planet's Attributes	Planet Sun	House Attributes	Aries
1	Benefic or Malefic	Malefic	Ruler	Mars, Malefic
2	Governance	Soul of all	Signs Classification	Moveable
3	Planetary Cabinet	Royal	Relates To	Kings
4	Planetary Complexions	Blood Red	Colour / Complexion	Blood Red
5	Planetary Deities	Fire	Nature of Sign	Fiery
6	Sex of Planets	Male	Sex	Male
7	Planetary Castes	Royal	Denotes	Courage
8	Nature of Planets	Satwik	Guna	Rajoguna
9	Sapta Dhatus in the Body	Bones	Nature	Bilious
10	Planetary Adobes	Temple	Wanders In	Hills
11	Planetary Strengths - Directions	South	Direction	East
12	Planetary Strengths - Time	Only in Day	Strength At	Night
13	Related to Trees	Strong Trees	Kalapurusha Limb (for Cancer ascendant, Aries will have knees)	Knees
14	Colours	Red Silken		
15	Dhatu (Metals), Moola (roots, veggies), Jeeva (living beings) Divisions	Moola		
16	Description	Honey coloured, clean habits, intelligent, limited hair.		

Results and Discussions

Table 2: With reference to Table-1, Lord Sri Rama's life events are ascertained from Sage Valmiki's Ramayana

Sun and Aries Natures (Table-1)	Bestowed Characteristics (Table-1)	How is this ascertained from Lord Rama's Life events? With reference to Sage Valmiki's Ramayana
From index 1 of Sun and index 5 of Aries	Native with Sun in Aries is expected to have fiery situations with malefic natured persons	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lord Rama killed demon Tataka Lord Rama killed demons Maricha & Subhahu Lord Rama killed Khara & Duushana's armies Lord Rama killed King Vali Lord Rama killed Kumbakarna Lord Rama killed Ravana and his army <p>As Sun is in exalted position in Lord Sri Rama's birth chart in Aries, he could easily eliminate malefics.</p> <p>Refer to: Bala Kanda ^[37], Sarga 26, Slokas: 25b, 26a. Aranya Kanda ^[38], Sarga 25, Slokas: 1 - 47. Aranya Kanda ^[39], Sarga 26, Slokas: 20b, 21, 22, 23a. Yuddha Kanda ^[40], Sarga 108, Slokas: 19 and 20.</p>
From index 2 of Sun and index 7 of Aries	Indicates the native with Sun in Aries to have courage and valour	<p>Lord Rama faced demons like Tataka, Maricha, Subhahu, Khara and Duushana's armies, Kumbakarna and Ravana and his army with great courage and valour and gained victory over all of them.</p> <p>As Sun is in exalted position in Lord Sri Rama's birth chart in Aries, he attains lot of courage and valour.</p> <p>Refer to: Bala Kanda ^[37], Sarga 26, Slokas: 25b, 26a. Aranya Kanda ^[38], Sarga 25, Slokas: 1 - 47. Aranya Kanda ^[39], Sarga 26, Slokas: 20b, 21, 22, 23a. Yuddha Kanda ^[40], Sarga 108, Slokas: 19 and 20.</p>
From index 3, 7 of Sun and index 3 of Aries	Indicates the native should be born in a royal family	<p>King Dasharatha gratifyingly dwelled there in Ayodhya, with a satiated heart dwelling upon the birth of his sons.</p> <p>As Sun is in exalted position in Lord Sri Rama's birth chart in Aries, he was born as an eldest son to the king, and enjoyed the royal status of an emperor.</p> <p>Refer to: Bala Kanda ^[26], Sarga 18, Slokas 7 and 8</p>
From index 4 of Sun and index 4 of Aries	Indicates connection between native and red-blood colour	<p>Hanuma explains to Sita about Lord Sri Rama and mentions he is endowed with a dark-brown complexion.</p> <p>Refer to: Sundara Kanda ^[41], Sarga 35, Sloka: 16</p>
From index 5 of Sun and index 1 of Aries	Indicates the native should be well versed with fire arms and martial arts	<p>Sage Vishwamitra endows Lord Sri Rama with supernatural and annulment of missiles.</p> <p>As Sun is in exalted position in Lord Sri Rama's birth chart in Aries, he has mastered fire arms and martial arts.</p> <p>Refer to: Bala Kanda ^[44, 45] Sarga 27, Sarga 28.</p>
From index 6 of Sun and index 6 of Aries	Indicates the native is highly probably a male	<p>King Dasharatha gratifyingly dwelled there in Ayodhya, with a satiated heart dwelling upon the birth of his sons.</p> <p>Refer to: Bala Kanda ^[26], Sarga 18, Slokas 7 and 8</p>
From index 8 of Sun and index 8 of Aries	Indicates the native's nature is somewhere between Satwik and Rajasik/Rajoguna	<p>Lord Sri Rama displayed competitive nature while winning the hand of Sita by displaying his strength in lifting Shiva's bow. Since he took part in the competition only on the order of his guru Sage Vishwamitra, he displayed more of Satwik nature than Rajasik nature.</p> <p>As Sun is in exalted position in Lord Sri Rama's birth chart in Aries, Satwik nature dominated Rajasik nature.</p> <p>Refer to: Bala Kanda ^[46], Sarga 67, Sloka 17</p>

From index 9 of Sun and index 13 of Aries	Indicates that either native's bones and knees could be either strong or weak or mediocre	Lord Rama flicked that withered body of demon buffalo Dundhubi with his big toe which threw the body to a ten yojana distance. As Sun is in exalted position in Lord Sri Rama's birth chart in Aries, proves that he should have strong bones and knees and it has been proved from the reference given. Refer to: Kishkindha Kanda ^[33] , Sarga 11, Slokas: 84 and 85.
From index 10 of Sun and index 10 of Aries	Indicates that the native is worshiped in a temple or on hill tops or both	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Then on seeing the great archers Lord Sri Rama and Lakshmana, the ministers of Sugreeva have gone from that mountain terrace to another high-peaked mountain. ▪ Hanuma takes Lord Sri Rama and Lakshmana to Sugreeva on Mt. Malaya. ▪ King Sugreeva said, he is honoured that Lord Rama wishes to make friendship with him. ▪ King Sugreeva enters into a pact of friendship on Mt. Malaya and all vanaras, the army of King Sugriva expressed their loyalty to Lord Sri Rama. <p>As Sun is in exalted position in Lord Sri Rama's birth chart in Aries, he is worshiped more than a human figure. Refer to: Kishkindha Kanda ^[34], Sarga 2, Sloka 7. Kishkindha Kanda ^[35], Sarga 4, Sloka 35. Kishkindha Kanda ^[36], Sarga 5, Sloka 1, 10, 13b, 14, 15a, 15b and 16a.</p>
From index 11, 12 of Sun and index 11, 12 of Aries	Indicates that the native will be benefitted from South and East and any time of the day	<p>Sequence of events which unfolded during Lord Sri Rama travel towards south of Ayodhya during aranyavasa (in exile period): was helped by King Guha to cross river Ganga. Lord Sri Rama was beloved guest of Sage Bharadwaja who advises him to stay in Chitrakuta. Jataayu, the mighty eagle helps Lord Sri Rama by naming Ravana as the abductor of Seetha while breathing his last. Kabandha advises Lord Sri Rama to meet king Sugriva by proceeding to Mt. Rishyamuka and also extols about Pampa lake. Lord Sri Rama bestows salvation on Sabari. Lord Sri Rama meets Hanuma and king Sugreeva on Mt. Rishyamuka and takes oath of friendship. Vibhishana meets Lord Sri Rama for refuge and helps him in knowing critical details of Lanka. Sage Agastya advises Lord Sri Rama to recite 'Aditya Hridaya' in the praise of Sun god to gain victory. Lord Sri Rama attained great victories by eliminating demons like Tataka, Maricha, Subahu, Khara, Duushana, Kumbakarna, Ravana and their sea of armies.</p> <p>As Sun is in exalted position in Lord Sri Rama's birth chart in Aries. Therefore south direction for the native should be more beneficial. So both south and south-east are beneficial.</p> <p>Reference: Bala Kanda ^[47] Sarga 31, Bala Kanda ^[46], Sarga 67, Sloka 17. Ayodhya Kanda ^[48] Sarga 52. Ayodhya Kanda ^[49] Sarga 54. Aranya Kanda ^[50] Sarga 68. Aranya Kanda ^[51] Sarga 72. Aranya Kanda ^[52] Sarga 74. Kishkindha Kanda ^[53] Sarga 3. Kishkindha Kanda ^[54] Sarga 5. Yuddha Kanda ^[55] Sarga 19. Yuddha Kanda ^[56] Sarga 105.</p>
From index 13 of Sun	Indicates that native is either benefitted or incurs loss from strong trees	<p>Sage Bharadwaja advises Lord Sri Rama to visit large banyan tree named 'Syama' (dark-green) having green leaves surrounded by many tress and visited by Siddhas after cross river Yamuna for Sita to join her palms, recite her auspicious prayers to the tree.</p> <p>As Sun is in exalted position in Lord Sri Rama's birth chart in Aries. Praying to large banyan tree named Syama (dark-green) have helped them attain divine blessings.</p> <p>Reference: Ayodhya Kanda ^[57] Sarga 55.</p>
From index 14, 15 of Sun	Indicates, native is benefitted or incurs loss by red silken coloured metals, clothes, roots, vegetables etc., especially roots	<p>Lord Sri Rama consumed raw vegetables and roots while in exile. He had the same food that Sages had when he visited the hermitages of Sage Sharabhanga, Sage Suteekshna, Sage Agastya.</p> <p>Sage Vishwamitra satisfied with the behaviour of Rama in obliging the orders of elders and performing the act that is assigned to him, gives many weapons to Rama, called shastra, astra-s. The weaponry is categorised mainly into two types. One is shastra - a handheld weapon like sword, lance or mace. The other is astra - a projectile missile invoked by reciting hymns. Other missiles that are given to Rama are an account of some counter-attack missiles, called upasamhaaraastra-s which can be used to nullify the enemy's missiles. Thereupon, all the monkeys saw within a moment, a mighty eagle, Garuda, the son of Vinata, like unto a blazing torch. On beholding Garuda the eagle which came there, the serpents who bound those two warriors Rama and Lakshmana in the form of mighty arrows, fled away.</p> <p>Hanuma proceeds to Mount Mahodara and failing to identify the herbs (roots) there, carries the mountain-peak itself and brings it to Sushena.</p> <p>As Sun is in exalted position in Lord Sri Rama's birth chart in Aries. Therefore Lord Sri Rama was helped by Garuda and also by Hanuman by setting him free from serpents and with herbs (roots) respectively.</p> <p>Reference: Refer to: Bala Kanda ^[44, 45] Sarga 27, Sarga 28. Aranya Kanda ^[60] Sarga 73. Yuddha Kanda ^[58] Sarga 50, Slokas 36, 37. Yuddha Kanda ^[59] Sarga 101.</p>
From index 16 of Sun	Indicates, native's body parts are honey coloured, has clean habits, is intelligent.	<p>Hanuma explains to Sita that Lord Sri Rama is equal to the sun in splendour, earth in endurance, Brihaspati in intelligence, Indra in fame, has beautiful red eyes and is with a dark-brown complexion.</p> <p>Sage Vishwamitra satisfied with the behaviour of Rama in obliging the orders of elders and performing the act that is assigned to him, gives many weapons to Rama, called shastra, astra-s.</p> <p>Lord Sri Rama obliges to Sage Vasishtha, Sage Vishwamitra, Sage Bharadwaja, Sage Sharabhanga, Sage Suteekshana and Sage Agastya.</p> <p>Refer to: Sundara Kanda ^[41], Sarga 35, Sloka: 9, 15, 16. Refer to: Bala Kanda ^[44, 45] Sarga 27.</p>

Conclusion

- With reference to Table-2, it appears that planet Sun and sign Aries both had greater positive impact on Lord Sri Rama.
- With reference to Table-2, it is also evident that, planet Sun is dominant over sign Aries when there was a need for Satwik nature to dominate Rajasik nature.
- We have explored Lord Sri Rama's birth chart for the Sun and sign Aries's effects on Lord Sri Rama's nature, personality and life events as described in Sage Valmiki's Ramayana. We found that those effects to be aligned with Brihat Parasara Hora Sastra's ^[27], Chapter 3's & Chapter 4's commentary.

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