

## Kāraḱas in Vedic Astrology - a different perspective 10th Bhāva

In this series of articles on kāraḱas for different bhāvas we shall now try to understand the kāraḱa for the 10<sup>th</sup> bhāva. Some of the kāraḱas are mentioned specifically in Jyotish texts, and some need to be understood by implication. As usual we shall begin by, again, looking at what Sage Pārāshara says about the kāraḱa of the 10th bhāva.

The sage says:

सूर्यो गुरुः कुजः सोमो गुरुर्भौमः सितः शनिः ।

गुरुश्चन्द्रसुतो जीवो मन्दश्च भावकारकाः ॥ ३३।३४ ॥

sūryo guruḥ kujahḥ somo gururbhaumahḥ sitahḥ śaniḥ |  
guruścandrasuto jīvo mandaśca bhāvākārahḥ ||33|34||

*Sun, Jupiter, Mars, Moon, Jupiter, Mars, Venus, Saturn, Jupiter, Mercury, Jupiter and Saturn are the kāraḱas of bhāvas (from 1 to 12).*

Thus, Sage Pārāshara tells us that Mercury is kāraḱa for the 10<sup>th</sup> bhāva. However, we also can see that other Āchāryas (great teachers) differ and Vaidyanātha, in “Jātaka Pārijāta”, says:

आज्ञा मानविभूषणानि वसनव्यापारनिद्राकृषिप्रव्रज्यागमकर्मजीवनयशोविज्ञानविद्याः क्रमात् ।

कर्मस्वामिदिनेशबोधनगुरुच्छायासुतैश्चिन्तयेदुक्तानि प्रविहाय पूर्वमशुभे मानी विमानो भवेत् ॥ जा पा १५।१ ॥ ।

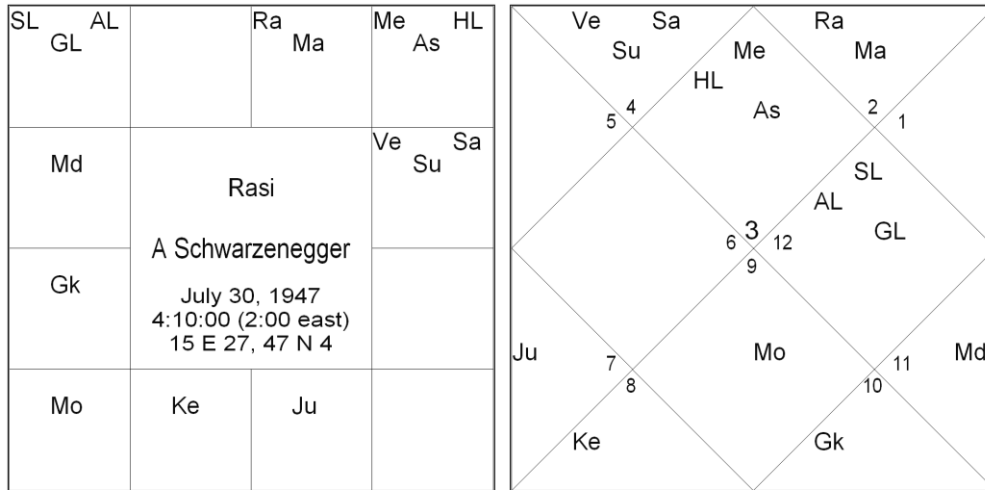
ājñā mānavibhūṣaṇāni

vasanavyāpāranidrākṛṣipravrajyāgamakarmajīvanayaśovijñānavidyāḥ kramāt |  
karmasvāmidineśabodhanagurucchāyāsutaiścintayeduktāni pravihāya  
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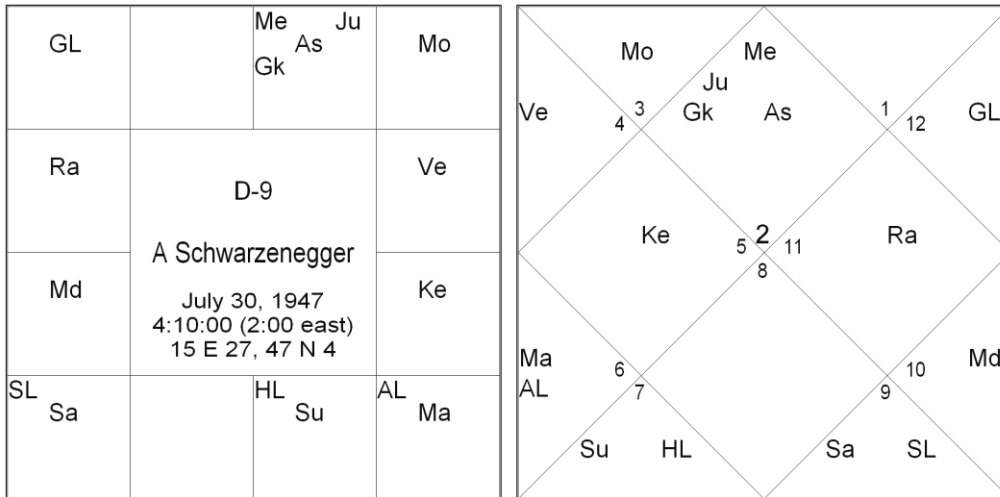
*Issuing order, honour, ornaments, dresses, trade, sleep, farming, ascetism, success in career, sacred knowledge, success in livelihood, knowledge of different sciences, should be thought of from Lord of the 10<sup>th</sup> bhāva, Sun, Mercury, Jupiter and Saturn, respectively. If malefics are placed in the 10<sup>th</sup> bhāva, one loses his reputation.*

In short, the 10<sup>th</sup> lord, Sun, Mercury, Jupiter and Saturn are indicators or kāraḱas for what can happen in matters related to the 10<sup>th</sup> bhāva. The 10<sup>th</sup> bhāva is primarily called the Māna Sthāna (place of honour), Rājya Sthāna (place of ruling) as also the Karma Sthāna (place of career/profession). So, sleep here can be indicator of stagnation in trade. We also know that Sun also represents father or the king, Mercury the trade, Jupiter imparting knowledge, teaching and finance (he is called Dhanada, one of the names of Kuber - banker to gods) and Saturn represents, both hard work over long time and lethargy (indicated by his name Manda and as he is called Bhṛitya, the servant). Having understood the logic behind kāraḱas for 10<sup>th</sup> bhāva, so far, let us find out how this played out in our standard chart of Arnold Schwarzenegger.

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First thing that we notice is that Mercury who is connected with both trade/business and communication is extremely strong occupying own rāshi in Rāshi chart and friend Venus Navāmsa in Navāmsa chart, besides getting Digbala (directional strength) in both Navāmsa and Rāshi chart by reason of its placement in Lagna and Navāmsa lagna. Mercury is also the Lagna lord for Arnold and thus being representative of his body (Lagna is also called Tanu-Body) bhāva, became one of the ingredients of his career. I need not say here that body building was his primary career which led to other opportunities and career for Arnold. He has also written several books as well as numerous articles on sport of body building.

Next, we observe that Guru is both karaka for the 10<sup>th</sup> bhāva and the 10<sup>th</sup> lord, so he also has a role to play in career of Arnold. We find him occupying a trine in Rāshi chart while it is in kendra in the Navāmsa, that too in Lagna getting directional strength. Though placed in house of Venus, its natural enemy, it is pertinent to note that Venus being in 4<sup>th</sup> bhāva from Jupiter becomes his temporary friend. So, he is a sort of consultant in his capacity of Executive editor

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for “Muscle and Fitness” and “Flex” magazine where he does not draw salary though the magazines contribute to Governor’s fund at his instance.

We observe that both Sun and Saturn occupy his 2<sup>nd</sup> bhāva with Sun occupying the rāshi of Moon in rāshi chart while in debility in Navāmsha causing a Vipareeta Raj Yoga (lord of Trishadāya or Trika bhāva, occupying 2<sup>nd</sup> bhāva). He did unexpectedly come to politics via a specially called election to replace the then Governor Gray Davis, and became Governor of California.

Saturn, on the other hand, occupies house of Moon its enemy in rāshi, while in Navāmsha it occupies rāshi of Jupiter his enemy (some say Sama) in 8<sup>th</sup> bhāva, so relatively weak. It is interesting to know he spent one month in military prison while undergoing basic military training in Austrian Army in 1965, having gone AWOL for participating in Junior Mr. Europe bodybuilding event, which incidentally he did win.

Having thus seen the different ways in which the kāarakas for the 10<sup>th</sup> bhāva can operate and get things done, we shall look at the kāarakas for the 11<sup>th</sup> bhāva in the next article.