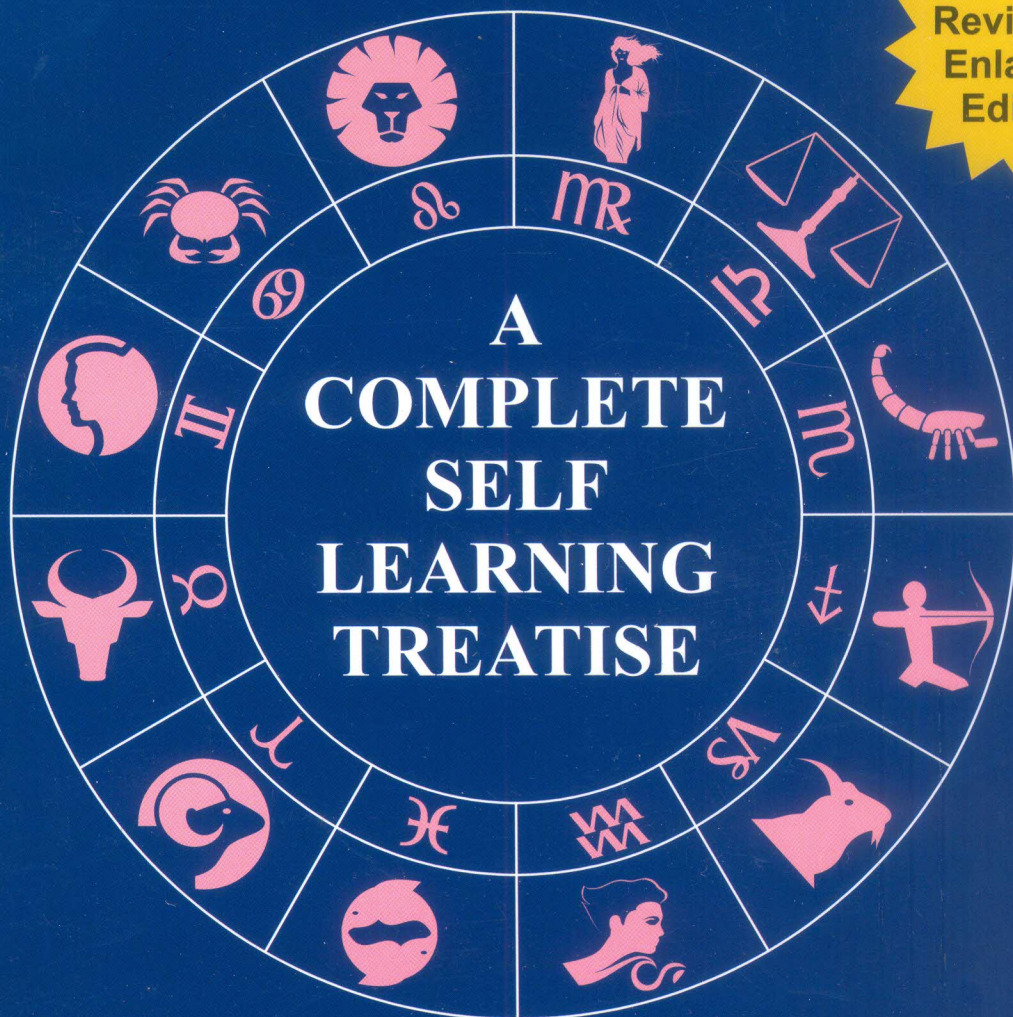


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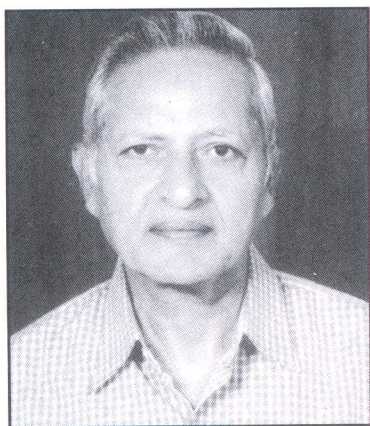
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Very early in his childhood he lost his innocent heart to the mystical and the para-normal subjects. And, thus, mesmerised he fumbled his way through the study of palmistry, numerology, crystal gazing, tarot cards till he came to knock at the doors of Vedic astrology and especially the stellar *padhdhati*. And, mostly self taught so far, he disciplined himself to put the various tenets to test and maintain a record of these in his diaries. These diaries later came to be his inseparable companions for here in lied his collection of gems that he had separated from the ore over the years. The *guru* in the form of Shri B. N. Sangalay appeared rather late in his life to polish and bless the author's efforts.

Born to an affluent family of Punjab, his professional career took him on to a journey radically different from the ways of his heart: after graduation he was selected to P. C. S then to I. A. S from where he retired in October, 1994.

A life- member of India Council of Astrological Sciences, Chennai, he graduated from the body with *Jyotish Visharad*. The Stellar Astrological Research Institute, Madras, awarded him with *Jyotisha Vishartha* in *Krishanmurthy Padhdhati*. He is currently vice-chairman cum faculty member of I. C. A. S that holds its classes at Bhartiya Vidya Bhawan, Chandigarh. He has so far completed 15 years of dedicated service in teaching of Astrology.

In this book, which is more of a ready reckoner, he has endeavored to bring to print his diaries, his labour of 30 years, with a sincere hope that his astrologer – colleagues shall drive some benefit from it. It contains time tested combinations and references from classical works. His efforts have been appreciated in India and in foreign lands too.

Preface

To be honest, I am no writer and I have never even remotely contemplated writing a book, that is, till this one, which came to be rather under certain pull and push circumstances. But that is a different story. In fact, besides what I could not escape writing during my academic and professional career, I have written nothing. Some letters may be I am shy of writing. The credit of pushing this book through print goes to certain friends, who immensely liked my diaries, in which I had preserved the hard earned fruits of my long, arduous, painful and very frustrating journey in the pursuit of astrology. Their incessant insistence to put these into print became such a pestering that I could not escape. I am not much of a fighter either, so I gave in.

The format of the book bears the testimony to the fact that I have shirked writing and resorted to compiling instead. I have strived to offer the bare technical data, the tenets and the working rules – but all devoid of any trimmings and frills of a writer. Earnestly, all that I can say is that the material provided between the covers of this book is time tested and should hold fast in over 70 per cent of cases, a highly commendable success rate for any field of scientific discipline.

During my search for consistency in predictive techniques, I worked my way through mounds of books, magazines and articles on astrology and I came out the other end more dazed than enlightened. In that entire labyrinth I sensed a promise lurking but it always alluded me. Every book seemed to promise the sky and led me nowhere. All leads died away sooner or later. Something was wrong somewhere, for sure. Either the books had no soul or my head was wrapped in a thick fog. Latter was the case!

Books on astrology, in fact, cannot teach you how to make a prediction in as much as book on the art of playing cricket cannot teach you how to score. The secret, if it is one, lies in being out there; Be it an astrologer, a surgeon, a cook or a cricketer – never to let go of the proper technique, persevere, and miraculously, that touch comes, a certain sense develops.

Although this book contains the essence of a vast cross section of the writings of the *rishis*, the past and the present great and the big wigs of astrology, yet I am not even attempting to suggest that the purpose of this book is to teach you how to predict. No! At best it shall only assist you and assist you quickly and nearly completely in the direction of your delineation. It may not be humanely possible to recall as much data out of your memory, so this book shall provide you with the back –up. It is a ready reckoner for information that you

may require to clear away the mist out of your predictive conclusions. And, that can make all the difference.

This book not only has separate chapters on Marriage, Compatibility, Children, Profession Horary and Miscellany etc. the points or priority and the points of significance have further been segregated for the convenience of the users, who alone can justifiably advise me of the usefulness of the format of the book. I sincerely solicit their suggestions.

My sincerest thanks are due to my renowned astrologer – friends Chander Bhalla, S. K. Duggal and R. S. Gill for bringing me around to surrender my diaries and give these the shape of a book and keeping me propped up while all this was going on. I could have folded without a warning. I am also grateful to Savita and Rajesh Sharma of North India Computers for their untiring assistance with the manuscripts. I am also grateful to Shri S. P. Khullar General Manager, Telephones for editing the book and giving valuable suggestions. I also acknowledge my gratitude to Mr. Narinder Sagar for his continuous support and in publishing my very first venture so attractively.

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Preface to the Fifth Edition

It gives me great pleasure in bringing this edition that is mainly due to the overwhelming demand of this book due to its precise and lucid way of explanation of various planets, signs and houses and the predictive principles on major aspects of life. Not only a student of astrology but even an educated and experienced astrologer finds this book an important instrument in making predictions accurately. An astrologer needs proper and easy guidelines on Predictive, Muhurta and Horary Astrology as these are the most important and needed wings of astrology in the present day world and one finds all these tools in this single volume. This edition has been completely revised and modified (esp. chapter on *Divisional charts* on page 248 and *dasha judgment* on page 258) but main format has been left untouched.

Many new tested combinations or observations have been added at various appropriate places. Slight modifications, wherever necessary, have also been made. Some important leftovers such as *Mrityubhagas*, *Kendradhipati dosha*, *Badhaka* and a few other items have been added to make it a *poorna pustak* on *jyotisha*.

Important *Jaimini* terms which find usage in predictions based on Parashari dictums have also been added. Arudhas of lagna, 7th, 11th and of 12th houses play important role in astrology and these terms have been added with important combinations on their predictive worth in the chapter 'miscellany'. These combinations shall be of immense value to the readers. Important raja yogas and dhana yogas as per Jaimini principles have also been added on page 292.

Nadi dosha is very important in matching of horoscopes and many a time rejection is unjustifiable as weight is required to be given to *pada-vedha* only which has been explained on page 389. It shall be of great value to the practicing astrologers.

I was inspired by the works of Sh. H. R. Seshadri Iyer and conducted research on his concept on '*Yogi Planets*' and '*Dagdha Rashis*' and found the same to be extremely useful in giving more accuracy in predictions. I have added these principles on pages 194 and 385 which shall be of immense help to the reader.

Tables of Nakshtras, Yogas, Karnas, Hora lords and of **Havan fitness** have been added at pages 384 and 386. A great care has been taken to avoid any grammatical or spelling mistake. This addition has been revised in a way to make it in every respect a perfect guidebook for every amateur and experienced astrologer studying or practicing astrology in the fields

of prediction, muhurta and horary. I am grateful to scores of readers who have sent me messages of commendation, suggestions and have encouraged me by declaring this book to be an asset to the astrological world.

Less said the better; even a cursory browse of this book shall satisfy a reader about its value and utility. I hope the readers shall continue availing the benefit of this book. I am also obliged to Sh. Narinder Sagar and Mr. Saurabh Sagar who took special pains in publishing the material in a very methodical and 'ready to understand way' and gave it a beautiful look.

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Note: - If the reader wants to locate any topic, please make it a point to seek help from the detailed Index given in the end of this book which shall be of great help to him for this purpose.

Preface to the Sixth Edition

I feel proud in submitting 6th edition to my esteemed readers. Besides adding a few more tips I have rectified all the errors or printing mistakes which occurred in the previous editions. It is a complete work on all the essential factors of astrology and is totally useful for the amateurs and experienced astrologers as well as the students of astrology. I am also obliged to Mr. Narinder Sagar and Mr. Saurabh Sagar of M/s Sagar Publications who took great pains in publishing this material in a very methodical and 'ready to understand way'.

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