

## Earthy Signs and Prosperity-II\*

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### Combinations for Wealth

In brief, the following points need to be noted while examining horoscopes for wealth or good fortune.

i) Combinations for wealth become more powerful when earthy signs are involved. For example, the mutual aspect between the lords of the 2nd and the 11th or their conjunction or mutual interchange of houses would certainly make one wealthy. Results are assured if earthy signs are involved.

ii) Vargottama Ascendant would make one fortunate. If such an Ascendant were to fall in an earthy sign, one would become wealthy. The same is true of the Moon also. When an earthy sign becomes the Ascendant, it becomes strong in promoting wealth if hemmed between benefics.

iii) Exalted planets in earthy signs lead to prosperity. In this context, Mercury or the Moon exalted would yield better results than the other planets.

iv) The majority of planets in earthy signs would give a person a lot of wealth. Such a person would also get a vocation which provides food, shelter or clothing to people.

v) Subject to fulfillment of other conditions, the Moon or the Ascendant in Capricorn would promote wealth. The Moon in Sravana, Dhanishta or Uttarahada is also auspicious.

vi) If the 2nd or the 11th house falls in an earthy sign with favorable planets occupying them, it would be a sure indicator of wealth.

vii) Mars is the planet of courage, determination and enthusiasm. A strong Mars along with good planets in earthy signs would promote wealth.

viii) Gajakesari Yoga or Sasi Mangala Yoga in an earthy sign leads to affluence.

ix) Malefics in the 11th house promote wealth. If in the above circumstances, the 11th happens to be an earthy sign, results improve.

x) Neechabhanga Raja Yoga in an earthy sign would lead a person to suddenly affluence.

xi) The Yogakaraka planet in an earthy sign gives rise to prosperity.

The following cases make good illustrations.

**Chart 1: Bill Gates:** Born October 28, 1955 at 21h. 15m. at Seattle, Washington, USA.

**Chart 2: John Travolta:** Born February 18, 1954 at 14h. 53m. at Englewood, New Jersey, USA.

MOON 14-33	KETU 24-53	ASCDT 24-58			JUP 23-18	
<b>Chart 1</b> <b>Rasi</b>						
				JUP 4-32		
RAHU 24-55	SUN 11-42 VEN 26-26 SAT 28-22	MARS 16-51 MERC 23-19				
			MERC 22-41 VEN 11-12 SUN 06-24	<b>Chart 2</b> <b>Rasi</b>		KETU 0-22 ASCDT 4-52 MOON 17-57
			RAHU 0-22			
					MARS 11-44	SAT(R) 16-07

Chart 1 belongs to Bill Gates, one of the richest people in the world. The 2nd and 11th lords are in mutual aspect with Mars in the earthy sign Virgo in conjunction with exalted Mercury. As many as 4 planets are in earthy signs. This chart is a good example for Rule (i).

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**Chart 2** belongs to John Travolta, the American actor, singer and dancer who has starred in box office hits. He is also a Golden Globe award winner. The 11th house falls in an earthy sign Taurus and gets involved in a Raja Yoga caused by the mutual aspect between Mars and Jupiter. *Rules (vi) and (vii)* are satisfied in his chart.

**Chart 3** belongs to the noted actress of yesteryears, Waheeda Rehman. The Ascendant is in an earthy sign Capricorn hemmed between benefics (*Rule (ii)*). Mark the conjunction of lords of the 2nd and the 11th in the 3rd, a very good Yoga for prosperity.

**Chart 3: Waheeda Rehman:** Born February 3, 1938 at 6h. 30m. at Chingleput, India.

**Chart 4: Muhammed Ali:** Born January 17, 1942 at 18h. 35m. at Louisville, Kentucky, USA.

MARS 9-37 SAT 8-40	KETU 10-10				
MOON 19-13	<b>Chart 3 Rasi</b>				
SUN 20-39 VEN 20-17 ASC DT 18-0 JUP 17-23					
MERC 29-06	RAHU 10-10				

MARS 19-00 SAT(R) 28-36	JUP(R) 18-54				
KETU 21-13	<b>Chart 4 Rasi</b>		ASC DT 26-28		
JEN(R) 27-39 MERC 20-28 MOON 19-23 SUN 4-14			RAHU 21-13		

**Chart 4** belongs to Mohammed Ali, the three time world heavyweight boxing champion. He is considered one of the greatest boxers of all time. The Ascendant lord conjoins the 2nd lord in the 7th, aspected by Jupiter. Five planets are in earthy signs. There is also a Neechabhanga Raja Yoga in the 10th house. *Rules (v), (vi), (vii) and (x)* are partially satisfied in this case.

**Chart 5** belongs to a young industrialist who rose to affluence in a relatively short span of time. The Ascendant which falls in Virgo is hemmed between benefics (*Rule (ii)*). Mark the interchange of houses between the Ascendant lord and the lord of wealth.

**Chart 6** Ascendant falls in an earthy sign with a powerful Gajakesari Yoga in the 9th in

### Fortunate Combinations

To derive the best results out of earthy signs, one must have any one of the following fortunate combinations discussed in **Jataka Parijatha:-**

- i) Vargottama Ascendant
- ii) Vesi Yoga formed by benefics in the 2nd from the Sun.
- iii) Benefics in Kendras and Trikonas from Ascendant and the Moon.
- iv) Planets in own house, exaltation or Moolatrikona in mutual Kendras.
- v) Vasumati, Mahabhagya or Pancha Mahapurusha Yogas.
- vi) Strong 9th house, 9th lord or exalted planet in the 9th house. **ESN**

**Chart 5: Male:** Born November 17, 1967 at 02h. 31m. at Gobichettipalayam, Tamilnadu, India.

**Chart 6: Male:** Born May 4, 1965 at 15h. 00m. at Madras, Tamilnadu, India.

SAT(R) 12-41	RAHU 4-28 MOON 26-51				
<b>Chart 5 Rasi</b>		JUP 10-29			
		MARS 25-07	SUN 00-24	KETU 4-28 MERC 11-08	ASC DT 4-31 VEN 14-00

MERC 24-02	SUN 20-21 VEN 26-09	JUP 8-17 RAHU 20-39 MOON 22-03			
SAT 21-29	<b>Chart 6 Rasi</b>		MARS 16-34		
KETU 20-39			ASC DT 6-42		

Taurus. This chart is an example of affluence following (*Rule (viii)*) discussed earlier.

**Chart 7** belongs to a chartered accountant who went abroad after completing the chartered accountancy course. His wealth is mainly due to the long overseas stint. The Ascendant lord falls in an earthy sign with exalted Mercury in the 5th in conjunction generating Neechabhanga

Raja Yoga. The lords of the 2nd and the 11th in conjunction is the Yoga for prosperity. Mark the uniqueness of this chart that this Yoga operates from the Moon-sign as well. Rules (i), (iii), (iv), (vii) and (x), operate in this chart.

**Chart 7: Male:** Born August 31, 1957 at 00h. 10m. at Chidambaram, Tamilnadu, India.

**Chart 8: Lee Iacocca:** Born October 15, 1924 at 17h. 00m. at Allen town, Pennsylvania, USA.

Ketu 19-37		ASCPT 21-14		ASCPT 22-18		MOON 4-29	
Chart 7 Rasi				Chart 8 Rasi			
SAT 14-41		RAHU 19-37		Ketu 28-05		VEN 16-34	
MOON 26-24		MERCUR 1-23		JUP 23-56		SAT 10-47	
VEN 19-34		JUP 11-16		MERC 22-17		SUN 29-27	

Chart 8 belongs to the well known American businessman Lee Iacocca. He is well-known in circles related to business and capitalism. Mark the exaltation of the Moon and Mercury, a textbook application of the theory (Rule (iii)) discussed here.

**Chart 9: Female:** Born April 26, 1973 at 21h. 50m. at Coimbatore, Tamilnadu, India.

**Chart 10: Arthur Ashe:** Born July 10, 1943 at 12h. 55m. at Nevada, USA.

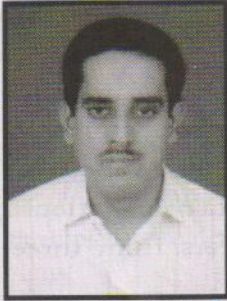
MERC 20-21		SUN 12-47		SAT 24-30		KETU 16-23	
Chart 9 Rasi				Chart 10 Rasi			
MOON 23-23		JUP 16-30		MERC 15-15		SUN 24-17	
RAHU 16-23		ASCPT 28-53		JUP 6-00		ASCPT 17-30	
				RAHU 23-01		VEN 9-04	
						MOON 22-03	

Chart 9 belongs to a girl who though born in a middle class family became affluent in a short span of time. This chart is an example of Neecha Bhanga Raja Yoga operating in an earthy sign. This chart brings to light the principles discussed in Rules (iii), (iv), (v), (vi), (vii), (viii), (x) and (xi). Please note that at the

same time Gajakesari Yoga and Sasimangala Yoga are present along with the Neechabhanga Raja Yoga. Since the Moon can be treated as a Yogakaraka for Scorpio Ascendant, his occupation of Capricorn satisfies Rule (vi) discussed above.

Chart 10 belongs to the former Wimbledon champion Arthur Ashe. Rule (ix) holds that a malefic in the 11th promotes wealth. The Ascendant lord is in Virgo which is an earthy sign, while Mars as Yogakaraka is in the 10th in his own house. This chart is an illustration of Rules (vii) and (ix).

I would request readers to apply these rules to charts and develop their own intuitive perception of astrological rules discussed in this article. Only practice along the lines of theory leads to quick grasp of the subject. • 95.10



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## **Earthy Signs and Prosperity**

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### **Lakshmi as Prosperity**

**T**HE term *prosperity* is largely misunderstood. If it is intended to mean *wealth*, we have it wrong. Generally in the Indian scriptures, prosperity is closely tied up with Goddess Lakshmi and *Aishwaryam* (the Sanskrit equivalent of prosperity) which refers not just to wealth but in an overall sense, to happiness and good fortune as well.

The Vedic view is that wealth or *Artha* is one of the four sacred objectives of life. Every being from birth to death is seen to pursue one of the four aims of life, namely, Dharma (duty), Artha (pursuit of wealth), Kama (pursuit of happiness) and Moksha (final emancipation from the birth-death cycle).

The pursuit of wealth (*Artha*) is good so long as it not in conflict with Dharma (duty) or Moksha (salvation). As the adage goes *Dharmo Rakshati Rakshitaha* or he who protects Dharma is in turn protected by Dharma. The guardian angel of Dharma offers an invisible shield of protection to all those who uphold Dharma.

### **Earthy Signs**

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Virgo and Capricorn. This paper is intended to make good the lacuna in the astrological understanding of the link between prosperity and earthy signs.

### **Vocations**

When the majority of planets occupy earthy signs it is an indication that the native will derive income from vocations related to:-

(a) Agriculture; (b) Horticulture; (c) Building and Construction related activities; (d) Gardening; (e) Dealership in foodstuffs, grocery, business etc. (f) Dealership in grains; or (g) Hotels or Restaurants.

In short any activity which enables one to nourish, clothe or shelter the human body is denoted by the earthy signs.

### Exaltation Places

Another interesting point that needs to be noted is that all the three earthy signs play host to a planet in exaltation. Mars gets exalted in

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Capricorn, Moon in Taurus and Mercury in Virgo. Immovable property is denoted by the 4th house. Mars, Mercury and Moon act as Karakas of the 4th house in a different ways. Mars is the Karaka for landed property, Mercury for learning and the Moon for mother.

According to **Yavana Jataka**,

*Sahasranathaha dinapaha prathishtaha  
Lakshadipaha ratrikaraha tadaiva  
Shatadipaha Bhoothanayaha tadaiva  
Kodikaraha chandrasutaha tadaiva*

*If the 2nd has an exalted Sun, one will have wealth in thousands, if an exalted Moon in lakhs; if an exalted Mars, in hundreds and if an exalted Mercury, in crores.*

Table 1 shows why there is a distinction between the planets and also the vast difference in results they can give.

Table 1

Exalted Planet	Lord of	Located in	Nature of House
Sun	6	2	Friend
Moon	4	2	Friend
Mars	12	2	Enemy
Mercury	2	2	Own

### Houses of Wealth

Which are the houses of wealth? The 2nd and the 11th but both these houses have evil implications also. The 2nd house has Maraka connotations. The 11th house suffers from three major defects:

i) It is the 6th from the 6th house and therefore carries within it the seeds of evil sown (or even shown!) by the 6th house.

ii) It is the 12th from the 12th house. The 12th denotes loss and by applying the *Bhavat Bhavam* principle, even the 11th house can be a pointer to loss. The only issue which a competent astrologer has to reconcile to is that *per se*, the 11th denotes gain whereas when the *Bhavat Bhavam* principle is invoked, it denotes what is diametrically opposed to gain, namely, loss.

iii) It is a *Badhaka* sign for movable signs.

What we need to understand is that the houses denoting wealth are not exclusively good but have sinister connotations as well. This is perhaps why the revered Bhagavatpada Adi Shankara said in his famous **Bhaja Govindham**, *Arthamanertham Bhavaya Nithyam* (riches, verily bring in grief).  
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Now, Mercury is most favorable because he is in his own house and is the lord of the 2nd in the 2nd house in exaltation. The least favorable is Mars as lord of the 12th in the 2nd,

which is some kind of Yoga for poverty. Still the benefits of exaltation will be there to a lesser extent. The Moon as lord of the 4th in the 2nd is better compared to the Sun as lord of an evil house, the 6th in the 2nd. According to the above verse, other than the Sun, the remaining three planets confer prosperity while in earthy signs.

In Vedic texts, there are three hymns (*suktas*) which are specifically chanted for prosperity. These are *Sri Suktam*, *Bhu Suktam* and *Nila Suktam*. Sridevi and Bhudevi are considered as consorts of Lord Vishnu and Bhudevi is the presiding deity of Mother Earth. This is just to reinforce an understanding of the fact that even in Vedic texts, the link between prosperity and earthy signs is clearly hinted at.

### Pushkara Navamsa

According to **Chandrakala Nadi**, Volume II, Part I, if the seven planets are in Pushkara Navamsa, the native earns much prosperity, enjoys all comforts of life, is very wealthy, illustrious and happy.

Out of 24 Pushkara Navamsas *Table II*, 9 fall in earthy signs ( 6 in Taurus and 3 in Virgo). For instance when the Moon is in Rohini, Pada – 2, he is said to be in Pushkara Navamsa. This placement is significant because the Moon is exalted not only in Taurus but in Navamsa also and in an earthy sign. Not only is the Moon exalted, he is Vargottama also. Apart from all these positive factors, the Dasa of the Moon will also occur. So this is highly auspicious even for a Muhurtha. I invite the reader's

Table II: Pushkara Navamsas

Sign (Rasi)	Nakshatra (Pada)	Nakshatra Lord	Pushkara Navamsa
Aries	Bharani – 3	Venus	Libra
Aries	Krittika – 1	Sun	Sagittarius
Taurus	Krittika – 3	Sun	Pisces
<b>Taurus</b>	<b>Rohini – 2</b>	<b>Moon</b>	<b>Taurus</b>
Gemini	Aridra – 4	Rahu	Pisces
Gemini	Punarvasu – 4	Jupiter	Taurus
<b>Cancer</b>	<b>Punarvasu – 4</b>	<b>Jupiter</b>	<b>Cancer</b>
Cancer	Pushya – 2	Saturn	Virgo
Leo	Purvaphalguni – 3	Venus	Libra
Leo	Uttaraphalguni – 1	Sun	Sagittarius
Virgo	UttaraPhalguni – 3	Sun	Pisces
Virgo	Hasta – 2	Moon	Taurus
Libra	Swati – 4	Rahu	Pisces
Libra	Visakha – 2	Jupiter	Taurus
Scorpio	Visakha – 4	Jupiter	Cancer
Scorpio	Anuradha – 2	Saturn	Virgo
Sagittarius	Purvashada – 3	Venus	Libra
<b>Sagittarius</b>	<b>Uttarashada – 1</b>	<b>Sun</b>	<b>Sagittarius</b>
Capricorn	Uttarashada – 3	Sun	Pisces
Capricorn	Shravana - 2	Moon	Taurus
Aquarius	Satabhisha – 4	Rahu	Pisces
Aquarius	Purvabhadrapada – 2	Jupiter	Taurus
Pisces	Purvabhadrapada – 4	Jupiter	Cancer
Pisces	Uttarabhadrapada – 2	Saturn	Virgo

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attention in this context to the detailed discussion on Pushkara Navamsa by Mr. Nitin Kashyap (*M.A.*, August 2009, page 23).

I reiterate the views of Mr. Sita Ram Singh in his article "What Makes one Fortunate?"

(*M.A.*, Sep.2009, page 25) in this context when he says "The potential for one to be fortunate is clearly discernible in the horoscope of such people". (*to be contd.*) • (95.10)