VEDIC GEMSTONE ANALYSIS

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Positions of Planets at Birth:

Sun	5	Can	26	Pluto	20	Can	56
Moon	9	Сар	22	True Node	e17	Ari	36
Mercury	15	Gem	57	Asc.	16	Vir	42
Venus	2	Gem	01	MC	19	Gem	42
Mars	9	Vir	20	2nd cusp	11	Lib	43
Jupiter	26	Sco	58	3rd cusp	12	Sco	54
Saturn	29	Can	25	5th cusp	25	Сар	07
Uranus	5	Gem	07	6th cusp	24	Aqu	03
Neptune	17	Vir	19	Chiron	25	Lib	17

Sidereal with Lahiri ayanamsha, Whole Sign Houses Daylight Savings Time observed, GMT: 11:00:00, Time Zone: 0 hours West Lat. and Long. of birth: 51 N 30 0 W 10

INTRODUCTION

In Vedic Astrology, the use of gemstones to propitiate the planets is part of a larger system called the "Upayes", which seek in different ways to mitigate the effects of karma found in the astrological chart. A few examples are through prayer and meditation, practicing positive and uplifting affirmations, chanting Vedic mantras, such as "Om Surya" for the Sun, diet, and gemstones. My approach is to suggest that you do your utmost to incorporate multiple remedial measures into your daily lives. You can easily practice an affirmation or a mantra throughout the day during leisure time.

Regarding gemstones, there are many different ways in which they can be recommended, some of them diametrically opposed to other systems, which can lead to confusion!

The way I recommend gemstones is to support the planets that are friendly to the Ascendant, or the Lagna. For example, for an Aries rising, Mars "rules" Aries and the planets friendly to Mars are the Sun, Moon and Jupiter. I regard these four planets as "Candidate" planets and then review the chart to determine which of these planets, if any, is challenged in such a way that the higher

qualities of the planet will have difficulty flourishing. The other planets, Saturn, Mercury and Venus are seldom recommended as they are not "friendly" to an Aries ascendant and could possibly bring unwelcome results. In the case where it is difficult to make a determination on a planet, I'll often instead, recommend a mantra for the individual to practice.

Every planet, house and sign have "higher" qualities and "lower" qualities. There is an interaction between all three of these as the planets are placed in different houses, which in turn are affected by the signs in which they all live. All charts are a mixture of stronger and weaker planets and by their placements, this will determine the tenor of a chart. When planets are strong, the "higher" qualities generally flourish. When the planets are challenged, the "lower qualities" manifest.

The purpose of Vedic remedial measures is to determine which planets are weak and to make recommendations that will strengthen them and help to balance out the planetary energies. A well-functioning chart is one that is balanced with no planet being too strong (too much of a good thing) or too weak.

This information you are receiving on gemstone recommendations from Sirius software is very helpful and gives an excellent overview on which gems can support your chart. It is good to keep in mind that there are a number of factors which can affect and alter this basic information that cannot be known without an in-depth review of your chart. Jack Hauck, with Healing Gems, who wrote this gemstone analysis, offers a more in-depth gemstone recommendation reading that reviews all the myriad elements that can impact the planets and the choices of which gemstones are best for any individual horoscope.

YOUR VEDIC GEMSTONE ANALYSIS

Virgo Lagna:

In your chart, you are a Virgo Ascendant, meaning that the constellation of Virgo was rising on the horizon at the moment of your birth. The Ascendant is also known as the 1st house of the natal or birth chart. The 1st House is very important as it is a strong indicator of how well or how challenged you will be in your life. The 1st House signifies your self-esteem, confidence, general disposition, personal appearance, how the world sees you and your disposition and temperament. It is perhaps the most personal of all the houses. It is best to have a strong Ascendant as it gives you a good head start in life. With a challenged Ascendant, on the other hand, you must work harder to succeed in many areas of your life.

For a Virgo Ascendant some of your higher qualities include a strong attention to detail which can lead you to a successful career in such fields as science, engineering and accounting. You enjoy being of service to others. You are loyal and can be counted on. However, some of the lower qualities you may manifest are being overly detailed - obsessive compulsive is a common term for this! You can have a skeptical nature. You can also be non-emotional in your communication which leads to estrangements.

Regarding gemstones, we need to look at the strength and weaknesses of the planets that are "friendly" to Virgo. These are Venus, Mercury and Saturn. Let's take a look at these one by one.

Mercury

Mercury is the planet of communication. It represents the style with which you speak and listen. How clearly do you communicate your thoughts and views; are they easily understood – are you a good and empathetic listener, or do others feel they aren't being heard? Some of your higher Mercury values are a logical mind, a good reasoning ability, a fine education, and skills in writing, speaking and in business. The lower values of Mercury you can experience include dishonesty, a lack of common sense, indecisiveness, difficulty in making connections with others and nervous disorders. Mercury career paths include lecturing, writing, interpreting, accounting, teaching and publishing.

Venus

Venus is the planet strongly associated with love, sexuality, marriage, the wife, beauty, grace, comforts and fine material items such as art and jewelry. The higher values of Venus you may exhibit include a love that strives for the unconditional, truly a lofty ideal that is difficult to achieve! This higher love can also reach for an even higher ideal where you cultivate a devotion for the divine.

In all religions the mother aspect of God is highly revered. In India she is known by many names, the Divine Mother being one. This devotion creates an approachable relationship that can fulfill the heart in ways that human love doesn't understand. Other higher values of Venus you can experience are an appreciation for the arts and music. Career paths include painting, singing, dancing, acting, directing and fashion. Other careers can be as a chef, travel agent, jeweler or salesperson in fine goods. Some of your lower Venus qualities can include an overindulgence in the senses, even to the point of satiation, which can lead to physical illnesses and mental imbalance. Overindulgence is not about intimacy but rather an absorption with yourself. Materiality, a drive for acquisition of "things" and money to satisfy the ego, is also a common attribute of a weaker Venus.

Saturn

A good Saturn is important in your life to get things done as it is the planet of discipline, perseverance and responsibility. It is the framework on which you create your successes in life. It promotes a positive solitude where you can introspect and search for answers to life's questions. Career paths include agriculture, mining, masonry construction, leather work, working at night and service work to the poor.

However, Saturn can also be obstructions, disorganization, illnesses, melancholy and depression. Saturn is what is known as a "separative" planet, meaning that it can distance you from whatever Saturn is associated with. For example, the Moon is the planet of your emotional nature. When Saturn is strongly associated with the Moon, you may be unsure of your feelings, you may exhibit an emotional distance and reserve, or you can suffer from moods, even depression. A good Saturn is of great benefit to your chart!

Lagna is Virgo and Mercury is in Gemini in 10th House

Mercury in Gemini in the 10th House of Career is a good placement as it is in its own sign, called "Swakshetra" in Vedic Astrology, meaning that the higher qualities of Mercury and the 10th House should flourish. This is an excellent placement for your career, specifically in fields of communication – writing and speaking, and also in the sciences. You can have more than one career. Success in business is highly likely.

No Vedic remedial measures are needed unless there are challenging aspects to Mercury. Mercury is a changeable planet and this can greatly lessen the benefits mentioned above.

Lagna is Virgo and Venus is in Gemini in 10th House

Venus in Gemini the 10th House of Career is an excellent placement and the higher qualities of Venus and the 10th House of career should flourish.

You are successful in your career, which focuses on bringing quality of life to the general public - this can be through the fine arts, dancing, acting, writing and painting, as well as through the production of luxury items. Your happiness is easily achieved. You have strong fixed assets in the form of houses and cars.

Overall, this is a great placement and no Vedic remedial measures are recommended unless Venus is afflicted by malefic aspects.

Lagna is Virgo and Saturn is in Cancer in 11th House

Saturn in Cancer in the 11th House of Gains does very well here and the higher qualities of Saturn and the 11th House should flourish.

This placement indicates that you are mature, responsible, disciplined and respected. Rising to leadership positions is a given. Success and well-being in your life is attainable. Relations with your eldest sibling can be harmed. Your children may be few in number and there can be difficulties with them. Your investments and speculations should prosper, but caution is advised.

No Vedic remedial measures are recommended unless Saturn is afflicted by malefic aspects.