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## CHARACTERISTIC FEATURES OF TWELVE BHAVAS IN ASTROLOGY

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## ABSTRACT

Lagna lord Saturn has the highest power in the 10<sup>th</sup> house. Lagna is the reference when finding bhaves. So, they are seen from the houses calculated from lagna.

## **KEYWORDS**

Vedas, Stars, Planets, Astrology, Horoscope and Twelve bhavas.

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## **INTRODUCTION**

'Astrology' is part of the 'scripture' that is one of the limbs of the 'Vedas'. 'Astrology' signifies the doctrine and law as depicted by the 'Stars or Planets'. It is the study of the movement of the planets and the stars and how they influence us in our daily lives. A 'Horoscope' is an astrological chart or diagram representing the positions of the sun, moon, planets, astrological aspects and sensitive angles at the time of an event, such as the movement of a person's birth. The birth chart is divided into twelve equal sections, which comprise the houses. The number 12 surfaces is a perfect numerical. The houses are not the same as the zodiac wheel, which is based on the sun's yearly rotational movement. Instead, the houses reflect the earth's own 24-hour rotation around its axis. The houses rotate every 24 hours. It is essential to use our correct time of birth when calculating our chart. January – February 49

Each house represents two hours of the sun's apparent movement each day. Everyone has a Janma Lakna. [one that predicts where the sun will be at birth]. The zodiac sign of 'Janma Lakna' is the 'First Bhava' and the other 'Twelve Bhavas' can be mentioned as the second and third zodiac signs. When the horoscope says benefits, the benefits are said to be based on 'Bhava'. The entire basis of our astrology is based on these principles, Dharma or right living, Artha or the monetary aspect, Karma or the desires and finally Moksha or Spiritual progress and Liberation.

## Characteristic features of twelve bhavas

Each Bhava in the horoscope reveals different benefits. When one Bhava runs, it runs in contact with the other Two Bhavas. And the planet which helps to drive a Bhava is called 'Pavakaraka'.

The characteristics of the Twelve Bhavas can now be seen.

#### First place benefit: (Tanu-body)

Like head is the important part of the body. Lakkinam is the first Bhava of the 12 Bhavas in a horoscope. The first house, Laknam falls into two categories, the central position (Kendra) and the triangular position (Trigonam).

We will now see what is found in the ancient texts about the benefits known by Lakkinam:

1) Health 2) Habits 3) Apperance 4) Temperament 5) Etiquette 6) The greatness of the horoscope 7) Popularity 8) Self esteem 9) Will-Power 10) Figure & Physical Complex 11) The Empirical self 12) Constitution 13) Ego 14) Dignity 15) General Welfare 16) Status in Society 17) Complexion 18) Vitality 19) longevity 20) Victory over enemies 21) Strength 22) Vigour 23) Sense of self worth 24) Splendour 25) Happiness 26) Psychology 27) Physiology 28) innate nature 29) Hair 30) Personality 31) Character 32) Place of birth.

**Family Members:** Father's mother, Mother's father. **Body Parts:** Head,Brain.

#### Second place benefit: (Dhana-wealth)

Second place refers to Home, Property, Education, Vote, Eye, Family etc. 1) Subtle Knowledge 2) Speech 3) Solid intellect 4) Opportunity to make money 5) Energy required for the body 6) Death 7)

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Argumentation 8) Food 9) Drink 10) Movable Property 11) Learning 12) Study 13) Juggling 14) Clothing 15) Stable intellect 16) Ornaments 17) Jewels 18) Precious metals 19) Vision 20) Wealth 21) Creative imagination 22) Self-confidence 23) Cheerfulness 24) Education 25) Memory 26) Fixity of mind 27) Oral experession of knowledge 28) Sources of income 29) Maintenance of others 30) Cereals like corn 31) Humility 32) Treasure and bondage 32) Business 33) Navratnas, Fragrance materials.

**Family Members:** Parental family and Self-Created family.

**Body Parts:** Eyes, Right eye, Face, Mouth, Tongue. **Third place benefit: (Sahaja-coborn)** 

The so-called 'Third place' home refers to traits such as Younger brother, Courage, Fame, Slavery and Superiority.

#### Other benefits of the third Bhava as follows

1) Malignancy 2) Travel 3) Commitment motivation, Success 4) Status in Society 5) Communication Correspondence 6) Friends, Fatherin-law 7) Throat, Music, Ears, Hands 8) Physical work and Courage 9) War 10) Good inheritance 11) Telephone, Radio 12) Journalist 13) Transport (mail) 14) Agencies, Publications 15) Debating, meeting 16) Reading, listening 17) Computer Skills 18) Death of parents 19) Earings, 20) Singing, Acting talent, Playing on musical instruments 21) Manual skills 22) Motivation, 23) Intrests 24) Hobbies 25) Sports 26) Pleasures 27) Assistance 28) Servants 29) Neighbours 30)Short-term desires 32) Short trips 33) Short contacts 34) Telephonic contacts 35) Writing 36) Strength 36) Valour 37) Stamina 38) Initiation into Spritual practices 39) Things Heard 40) Deliberate actions.

**Family Members:** Brothers and Sisters, Mother's father's brother, First younger brother or sister.

**Body Parts:** Throat, Neck, Shoulders, Arms, Hands, Upper part of chest, Right ear.

Fourth place benefit: (Bandhu relative)

The house called fourth place is also called 'Mother Place' and 'Vehicle Place'. It is one of the 'Kendra Bhava' and is considered to be the absolute auspicious position.

## Let the Fourth Bhava bring other benefits

1) Amenties 2) Water supply, Wells, Agricultural Products, Irrigation facilities 3) Living house 4) Homeland 5) Movable and immovable Assets 6) Mother, Education, Vehicle 7) Chastity, Physical discipline 8) Pavilion 9) Missing clues about obejects 10) Holy places 11) About Vedas, Puranas study 12) Livestock 13) Pilgrimage 14) Logical discussion 15) Elephants, Cows, Buffaloes, Goats and Sheep 16) Moral virtues 17) Devotion to God 18) Character 19) Comforts 20) Gardens 21) Good name and reputation 22) Mind 23) Heart 24) Feelings 25) Happiness 26) Close friends 27) All family members 28) All well-wishers 29) Horses 30) Erudition 31) Ultimate results 32) Righteous conduct.

Family Members: Mother, Parents, all family members.

Body Parts: Chest, Lungs, Heart.

## Fifth place benefit: (Putra-son)

The house called 'Fifth Stanam' is called 'Puthira Stanam' and it is said to be the place where the mind expresses thoughts.

## The other benefits of fifth Bhava are as follows

1) Purva Punniyam 2) Creative Intelligence 3) Worship 4) Drawing, film knowledge, Production 5) Wisdom management 6) Children 7) Love and Affection 8) Education Memory 9) Talents 10) Judgement 11) Discretion 12) Advice 13) Merits from past life 15) Devotion to Gods 16) Deity of one's choice 17) Knowledge of mantras, tantras, vantras 18) Virtues 19) Ruling powers 20) Royality 21) Authority 22) Fall from position 23) Literary works 24) Amusements 25) Romance 26) Disciples 27) Wealth 28) Prosperity 29) Nature of Spouse 30) Yoga Piyasam 31) Shakti worship 32) Mythological Upanishads Forethought 33) Poetry writing, Figure 34) Tact, Dexterity is the virtue of the father 35) Annathanam, Udhayathanam 36) Pharmacy 37) Happiness.

**Family Members:** Children, Second younger brother or sister.

**Body Parts:** Stomach area, Heart. **Sixth place benefit: (Ari-enemy)** 

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The house called the sixth place is called the 'Enemy place' and The disease, The debt, 'The wisdom place', 1) Mothers, Aunts 2) Thrift 3) Untimely Meal 4) Success or Failure of enemies, workers 5) Dairy, Nutrition 6) Diseases 7) Debt 8) Physical Hygine 9) Worries 10) Anxieties 11) Obstacles 12) Enemies 13) Thieves 14) Vices 15) Challenges 16) Tests 17) Urge for Perfection 18) Self-improvement techniques 19) Competitive Power 20) Turning Obstacles into Opportunities 21) Difference of opinion 22) Conflicts 23) Debts 24) Suffering 25) Wounds 26) Service 27) Daily job 28) Imprisonment 29) Quadrupeds 30)Pet animals 31) Receiving charity 32) In munitions it refers to the abdomen.

**Family Members:** Mother's brother (maternal uncle), Step mother.

Body Parts: Navel area, Intestines, Digestive tract.

Seventh place benefit: (Yuvati spouse)

The house know as the seventh position is also known as the 'Field position', the 'Lust position'and the 'Sunset position'.

## Seventh Bhava other benefits are as follows

1) Success in love 2) Victory over enemies 3) Laziness 4) Stepmother 5) Friendship 6) Value of kings 7) Respect in the community 8) Business 9) Long journey 10) Gift 11) Close friends 12) Divorce, Furs, Lawsuit 13) Way or Road 14) Ball meeting 15) Anti-Budha 16) Chapter from ottice 17) Smells good, Psalms of lowers 18) Husband, Wife 19) Lover, Marriage 20)Partnership 21) Sexual affairs 22) Medium-term desires 23) Business partner 24) Co-operation 25) Trade, Commerce 26) Travel, Journeys 27) Litigation 28) Living abroad 29) Nature of Spouse 30) Relationship with all others 31) The world at large seen by native 32) Happiness from children.

**Family Members:** Husband, Wife, second child, third younger brother or sister.

**Body Parts:** Basti area, Colon, Internal sexual organs.

## Eight place benefit: (Randhra)

The house called Eighth Place.It is also known as the 'Place of life', the 'Destiny' the 'Mystery'. One of the 'Durstanas' is the complete 'Hiding Place'.

# The other benefits of the Eighth Bhava are as follows

1) Mangalya Bhagya 2) Life 3) Spirituality 4) Great Failure 5) Achieving Paranoia 6) Accident 7) Fear 8) Tax Due 9) Motsam 10) Continents by vehicles (for women)10) Field Hostility 11) Surgery 12) Famine 13) Earthquake 14) Put in the bank 15) Pay to the Government 16) In a place owned by others infiltration 17) Longevity 18) Transformation 19) The gap 20)The mechanics of nature 21) The cognition of the struggling dynamics of consciousness 22) The experience of the constitution of the universe 23) Knowledge of past, present, future 24) Transcendence 25) Siddhis 26) Regeneration 27) Rebirth 28) Discontinuation 29) Dangers 30) Chronic ailments 31) Agonies 32) Accidents 33) Enemies 34) Mode of death 35) Wealth of the spouse 36) Unearned wealth 37) Inheritance 38) Underground places 39) Hidden treasures 40) Everything Hidden 41) Mysteries of life and "death" 42) Overseas journeys.

Family Members: Family of the spouse.

Body Parts: External sexual organs.

## Ninth place benefit: (dharma-spirituality)

The house called 'Ninth Stanum' is also know as 'Bhakti Stanam', 'Pitrustanam', 'Dharmastanam'.

## Ninth Place Benefits

1) Higher education, Research, Training 2) Travel abroad 3) Be too far away 4) Assembly, Counts 5) Temples, Vedic religion, Rituals 6) Worship 7) Pilgrimages 8) Admission of good people 9) In pious deeds contact 10) Exports and Imports 11) Lawyers, Lectures 12) Political leaders 13) Clergy, Scientists 14) Place of coranation 15) Life on the inside 16) The Guru 17) Deity 18) Fatherway 19) Purva Punniyam 20) Prayer, Penance 21) Chatra Viruthi 22) Temple Renovation, Mantra Sermon 23) Astama Siddhi 24) Dedication of the Pool Making 25) International Trade, Heritage Property 26) Support of nature 27) Merits from past lives 28) Fortunes 29) Vedic Science 30)Meditation 31) Yagya 32) Tapas 34) Life philosophy 35) World view 36) Faith 37) Morality 38) Ethics 39) Professional training 40) Children 41) Solution to

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problems 42) Vista to shrines 43) Foreign travels 44) Air travels.

**Family Members:** Brother's wife, Wife's brother, Children, Grandchildren, Fourth younger brother or sister.

## Body Parts: Thighs, Hips

## Tenth place benefit: (karma-activity)

The house called 'Tenth Stanam' is called 'Jeeva Stanam', 'Karma Stanam' and 'Rajjiya Stanam'.

## **Tenth Bhava other Benefits**

1) Heaven 2) Government Benefits 3) Royal award 4) Treasure, Property 5) Service, Charity 6) Leadership 7) Success 8) Business 9) Magical Armor 10) Rain 11) Agriculture 12) Fame for high deeds getting 13) Dressing 14) The mother in law 15) Activity 16) Occupation 17) Profession 18) Career 19) Reputation 30)Prestige, Success and Status in society 31) Honour from government 32) Promotion 33) Rank 34) Renown 35) Fame 36) Ambition 37) Happiness 38) Authority 39) Foreign lands 40) Commerce 42) Trade 43) Clothing.

## Family Members: Father.

Body Parts: Knees, Spine.

## Eleventh place benefit: (Labha-income)

The house that is called 'Eleventh Bhava' is called the 'Place of Profit'. The characteristics of the 11th Bhava are to be 'Cheerful and Happy' with others to 'Progress without Hindrance' is everything.

## **Eleventh Bhava other Benefits**

1) Efforts fail 2) Higher education 3) All kinds of income 4) Talent in the arts 5) Co-operative societies, Collective Faith 6) Aspirational Thoughts 7) Shares 8) Political parties 9) The joy of the world 10) Success in all 11) Mother's Life 12) Wisdom 13) Ear (left) 14) Achieving the goal 15) Polygamy 16) Elder Siblings become members 17) Horse, Elephant 18) Tooth Climbing 19) Earth development 20) Music Industry corporations 21) Panchayats 22) Electricity, Well 23) Income 24) Gains 25) Profits 26) All articles 27) Prosperity 28) Long-term desires 29) Fulfilment of dreams, desires and ambitions in life 30) Good news 31) Auspicious events 31) Elder brothers and sisters 32) Air travel 33) Favourites 34) Circle of friends 35) Community

35) Club-life 36) Quadrupeds 37) The lord of the eleventh House stands for difficulties and diseases.

**Family Members:** Elder brothers and sisters, Elder brother or sister directly above the native, Son's wife, Fifth younger brother or sister.

Body Parts: Calves, Ankles, Left ear.

## Twelth place benefit: (Vyaya-loss)

The house called 'Twelth Stanum' is also known as 'Viraya Stanum', 'Ayanasayana Stanam' and 'Motsa Stanam'.

## **Twelth Place Other Benefits**

1) Sleep well 2) Expenses, Secret plans 3) Loss of plans 4) Spiritual pursuit 5) Motsam 6) Hostels 7) Cots 8) Ground Stones 9) Yoga posture 10) Memory loss 11) Deportation 12) Hostility to the public 13) Running and Hiding 14) There is something that does not exist 15) Appearance 16) Research 17) Work Abroad 19) Litigation 20) Poverty 21) Underground research 22) Losses 23) Waste 24) Loss of relativity 25) Enlightment 26) Renunciation 27) Loss of attachment 28) Loss of Identification 29) Donations, Charity 30)Journey to far off distant lands 31) Lonely places 32) Confinement in prison 33) Hospital or monastery 34) Pleasures of the bed 35) Secret enemies 36) Spies, Fall.

**Family Members:** Father's brother (Paternal uncle).

Body Parts: Feet, Left eye.

## Example

Just to broach on the subject 'Venus' is the 'significator' of 7th house which Stands for love and married life. It is the same thing which 'Venus' also signifies. Hence 'Venus' is called the 'significator of 7th house'. If proper attention is not paid on the significant planet in the matter of the prediction, there are chances of the prediction going wrong. For example, 'Moon' is the 'significantor' of the '4th house' and hence it relates to the 4th house, then irrespective of the possibility of the 4th lord, being week, the native gains 'the happiness of house and vehicle'. Similarly 'Sun' is considered as benefit for 1, 9, 10<sup>th</sup> houses because he is the 'significator' of soul, mind, body, fortune, wealth,

position, honour, power, fame, promotion and fatherly happiness.

## Each bhava as per stage: Mantreswara

Assuming that the horoscope represents the kalapurusha, then the parts of the body beginning with the ascendant (Lagna) will be as under.

The house which is occupied or aspected by benefits or whose lord is bestowed with strength, the part of the body represented by that house will be strong and well built. If 'the Lord of a house' be weak or be occupied or otherwise afflicted by a malefic, the corresponding part of the body will be weak or diseased. The dwelling of the twelve signs 'Aries, Taurus, Gemini, Cancer, Leo, Virgo, Libra, Scorpio, Sagittarius, Capricorn, Aquarius and Pisces' are

Aries - Forest

Taurus - Agricultural land with water

Gemini - Bedroom

Cancer - Chasm with water

Leo - Mountain

Virgo - Land with water and food corps

Libra - House of a vaishya

Scorpio - Cavity or a hole

Capricorn - Watery forests

Aquarius - The spot frequented or used by potters

Pisces - Water, in that order.

Generally, this information proves useful in queries regarding theft or articles or missing persons etc.

## Purusharthama rasigal

To understand and improve all these four aspects they gave us various shastras.

## Goals of life according to bhavas

The purpose of life for Hindus is to achieve four aims called Purusharthas. These are Dharma, Artha, Karma and Moksha.

Dharma - (Righteousness, moral values) - 1, 5, 9 (Bhavas)

Artha - (Prosperity, economic values) - 2,6,10 (Bhavas)

Karma - (Pleasure, love, psychological values) - 3, 7, 11 (Bhavas)

Moksha - (Liberation, spiritual values) - 4, 8, 12 (Bhavas)

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The theory of Purushartha thus entails the total life of man, and teaches man, how to lead a blissful life.

## The goal of life according to dharma bhavas

The 1<sup>st</sup> house or Lagna is a Tanu Stana which means body. It controls our birth, body, looks, soul, personality traits, longevity, health, character and nature.

The 5<sup>th</sup> house or Putra Stana, represents children, education, intellect, creativity, mantra, tantra and pooja. The '9th house' or bhagya stana, represents luck, prosperity, guru, father, religious and spiritual progress and knowledge of the scriptures. 'The Trikona' Dharma talks about the way we execute work or how we do our duty. The 1<sup>st</sup> house is the 'Lagna house''. It determines our whole existence, it says who we are. The '5<sup>th</sup> house' states our abilities. The rules or the principles of fulfilling our duties are laid down in the '9<sup>th</sup> house'.

## The goal of life according to artha bhavas

The 2<sup>nd</sup> house or Dhana Stana represents our wealth, speech, family, face, right eye, charity and death. The '6<sup>th</sup> house' or Shatru Sthana covers health, illness, injuries, loans, sports, enemies and opposition. The '10<sup>th</sup> house' controls our profession, business, authority, power, honours and achievements. 'Artha Trikona' not only refers to money but also what you should do to accumulate wealth. In addition these houses decide our purpose for work. The '2<sup>nd</sup> house' governs the purpose of earning money. In the process of accumulation of wealth, there can be many challenges and obstacles, these roadblocks need to be taken care of through constant effort. The '6<sup>th</sup> house' governs this aspect of controlling challenges. The '10<sup>th</sup> house' gives the final results of our actions.

## Karma houses

The 3<sup>rd</sup> house represents our younger brothers and sisters, courage, communication, talents, skills, sports and business. The '7<sup>th</sup> house' governs spouse, sex life, reproduction, genital organs, partners, enjoyments and death. The '11<sup>th</sup> house' covers financial gains, income, good news, money, friends, long - distance travel and entertainment. Karma Tricona represents the desire or the motivation of the work. The '3<sup>rd</sup> house' talks of the initiative, it

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takes care of the first step you take towards a task in hand. The '7<sup>th</sup> house' governs desire or what you want out of our walk. Without expectations we cannot get the motivation to do something. The '11<sup>th</sup> house' controls the fulfillment of our desire. Infact it is the house of gains, income and earnings.

## Moksha houses

The 4<sup>th</sup> Bhava or Matru Sthana represents mother, home, relatives, office or factory, emotions, happiness, property, education, mental peace.

The 8<sup>th</sup> house or Ayu Sthana represents destruction, accidents, physical pains, inheritance, legacies and insurance.

The 12<sup>th</sup> house governs losses, waste, expenses, sadhana and moksha. Each of a different planets gives different results in the 12th house. Besides, it can often be totally opposite results from bad to good depending on the type of planet.

'Moksha Trikona' is most important for spiritual growth. The goal of life according to Moksha Bhava (4<sup>th</sup> house) is to free the soul from the cycle of birth. The '8<sup>th</sup> house' in this Tricona is the house of occult knowledge or sadhana which is necessary to achieve Moksha. The '12th house' refers to giving away everything. It is the opposite of '11<sup>th</sup> house'.

## Kalapurusa Thatva

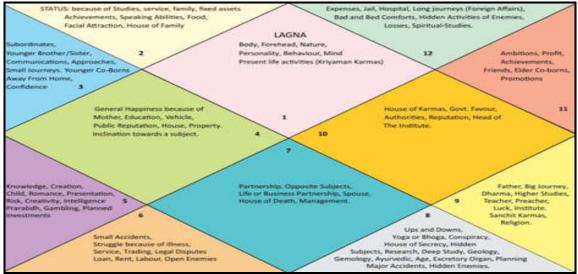
Aries, Leo, Sagittarius are Dharma Trikonam Taurus, Virgo, Capricorn are Artha Trikonam Gemini, Libra, Aquarius are Karma Trikonam Cancer, Scorpio, Pisces are Moksha Trikonam It is clear that Purushartha is the 'basis of human life' and it is to be regarded as basis on which man's life rotates. It coordinates and drives the activities of a man for the realization of 'spirituality' as well as for the maintenance of day-to-day life.

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House	Indications	Significator		
1	Body, mind, soul, business	Sun		
2	Worries, family, finances, right eye	Jupiter		
3	Adventure, enterprise, short foreign travel, right ear and hand	Mars		
4	House, estate, vehicle, happiness from friends, mother, partnership, peace of mind, transfer	Moon, mercury		
5	Children, education	Jupiter		
6	Disease, enemies, right foot	Mars,saturn		
7	Love, married life, negolitions, business partnership secret organs	Venus		
8	Death, jail, left foot, execution and confinement	Saturn		
9	Fortune and wealth	Jupiter, sun		
10	Power, reputation, position, fame, honour, promotion, happiness from father, heart	Mercury, Sun, Jupiter, saturn		
11	Income, circulation of money, fulfilment of desires, left ear and hand	Jupiter		
12	Expenditure, loss, interest, short travels, left eye and nose	Saturn		

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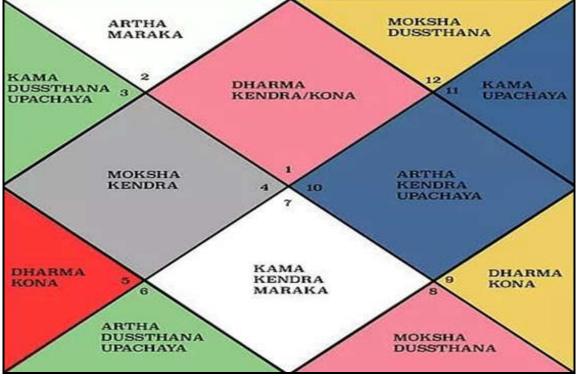
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First house (Lagna)	The head	First house (Lagna)				
Second house	The face	Second house				
Third house	The breast	Third house				
Fourth house	The heart	Fourth house				
Fifth house	The belly	Fifth house				
Sixth house	The waist	Sixth house				
Seventh house	The grains					
Eighth house	The private parts (sexual organs)					
Ninth house	The two thighs					
Tenth house	The two knees					
Eleventh house	The two calves					
Twelfth	The two feet					



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## CONCLUSION

The study of 'Bhava' and the 'characteristic features of Bhava' is very much essential to judge the horoscopic chart. The study of this article will be very useful to astrologers. In Vedic Astrology, a Bhava holds the key to our past, present and future and can be evaluated to understand our physical traits, emotional, mental and spiritual predictions, our likes and dislikes, inclination and hobbies.

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