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Thanks for your comments on my chart. I just want to add my 2 cents regarding MB (mrityu bhaga) you mentioned.

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For Rahu in Aquarius, 18th degree is considered mrityu bhaga (death- inflicting degree) according to classics. Dr KS Charak seems to think that this implies 17.5 deg-18.5 deg region is Rahu's MB in Aq. He takes MB defined in classics (18 deg) as a point and takes a one degree region around it.

In our tradition, we hold a view different from Dr Charak's. Mrityu bhagas are based on trimsamsa. Though a sign is divided into 5 unequal portions in normal trimsamsa, there are variations of trimsamsa in which a sign is divided into 30 equal portions.

We believe that Mrityu Bhaga is not a point, but a trimsamsa (degree). When classics say that the 18th degree is Rahu's MB in Aq, it means that the region starting at 17 deg and ending at 18 deg is the MB of Rahu in Aq. THAT is the "18th degree", afterall!!

Using mean nodes, my Rahu is at 16Aq54. Using the so-called true nodes, my Rahu is at 18Aq08. Either way, he is not in MB as per our definition of MB.

However, thanks for your advice and I will be careful. Rahu is bad for my health even in my judgment. Rahu is in 6th from Virgo lagna in my rasi chart. Rahu in 6th is good for material prosperity, but not for health. Moreover, Rahu is in the 8th house with Saturn in my D-6 (shashthamsa).

BTW, JHora can show if a planet is in MB. There are options to allow you to experiment with different definitions. For example, Rahu's MB in Aq is the 18th degree. You can choose to define it as 17-18 deg (recommended by me and Pt Rath) or 17.5-18.5 deg (recommended by Dr Charak) or 18-19 deg (added just for completeness)! Also, there are some differences between what Phala Deepika and Brihat Prajapatyam give and what other classics like Sarvartha Chintamani and Jataka Parijatam give. You can choose either definition in JHora.

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Each planet has one specific degree as its Mrityu Bhaga (death-inflicting degree) in each sign.

For Rahu, MB in Aq is the 18th degree. For Moon, what you said is correct, i.e. MB in Aq is the 5th degree, if one goes by Phala Deepika. If one goes by Jataka Parijatam and Sarvartha Chintamani, Moon's MB in Aq is the 20th degree.

For those who understand C and C++ computer languages, here are the complete tables defining the MB of each planet in each sign:

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// As per Jataka Parijatam and Sarvartha Chintamani:
double MrityuBhagaDegree1 [] [NUM_RASIS] =
{
// Ar Ta Ge Cn Le Vi Li Sc Sg Cp Aq Pi
{ 20, 9, 12, 6, 8, 24, 16, 17, 22, 2, 3, 23 }, // Sun
{ 8, 25, 22, 22, 21, 1, 4, 23, 18, 20, 20, 10 }, // Moon
{ 19, 28, 25, 23, 29, 28, 14, 21, 2, 15, 11, 6 }, // Mars
{ 15, 14, 13, 12, 8, 18, 20, 10, 21, 22, 7, 5 }, // Merc
{ 19, 29, 12, 27, 6, 4, 13, 10, 17, 11, 15, 28 }, // Jup
{ 28, 15, 11, 17, 10, 13, 4, 6, 27, 12, 29, 19 }, // Ven
{ 10, 4, 7, 9, 12, 16, 3, 18, 28, 14, 13, 15 }, // Sat
{ 14, 13, 12, 11, 24, 23, 22, 21, 10, 20, 18, 8 }, // Rahu
{ 8, 18, 20, 10, 21, 22, 23, 24, 11, 12, 13, 14 }, // Ketu
{ 23, 24, 11, 12, 13, 14, 8, 18, 20, 10, 21, 22 }, // Mandi
{ 1, 9, 22, 22, 25, 2, 4, 23, 18, 20, 24, 10 } // Asc
};
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// As per Phala Deepika
double MrityuBhagaDegree2 [] [NUM_RASIS] =
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{
// Ar Ta Ge Cn Le Vi Li Sc Sg Cp Aq Pi
{ 20, 9, 12, 6, 8, 24, 16, 17, 22, 2, 3, 23 }, // Sun
{ 26, 12, 13, 25, 24, 11, 26, 14, 13, 25, 5, 12 }, // Moon
{ 19, 28, 25, 23, 29, 28, 14, 21, 2, 15, 11, 6 }, // Mars
{ 15, 14, 13, 12, 8, 18, 20, 10, 21, 22, 7, 5 }, // Merc
{ 19, 29, 12, 27, 6, 4, 13, 10, 17, 11, 15, 28 }, // Jup
{ 28, 15, 11, 17, 10, 13, 4, 6, 27, 12, 29, 19 }, // Ven
{ 10, 4, 7, 9, 12, 16, 3, 18, 28, 14, 13, 15 }, // Sat
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};
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--- In JyotishGroup@yahoogroups.com, Praveen Kumar wrote:

> Wonderful Narasimha ! You have done a yeoman service for the astrological community, for the humanity at large. Today I saw your horoscope in my records (after several years) where TOB is given as 17:50. It gives Taurus Navamsa but I feel, it should be Aries as you don't seem to have any marital problems. Then TOB comes around 17:43. It may be a bit earlier also.

> Your Aqu chara dasa will start shortly (Apr 2005). Here AK is having connections with AmK, PK, DK and 5th lord, all. 10th house from Aqu too is good. Hence, it should bring you glory, wide acclaim. However, in Vimshottari, you are under Mer-Rahu. Some apprehension as Rahu is in M.B. and Saturn is debilitated in the 8th. Please be careful.

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> I take this opportunity to wish you everything the best in years ahead and wish the God to bless persons like you with peace, prosperity and happiness.

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> Praveen Kumar (Mumbai, India)