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Salutations *to* Param Pujya Gurudev, Vaikuntavaasi Acharyasri N V Raghavachary (Meena 2)

I am highly indebted to the opportunity given to me to offer my SALUTATIONS to Param Pujya Gurudev, Vaikuntavaasi Acharyasri N V Raghavachary (Meena 2) on the eve of his Centenary Celebrations.

Acharyasri N V Raghavachary (Meena 2) is a great thinker and a Siddhapurasha, who has pioneered to revive the ancient system of "Nakshtra Chakra" i.e., "Stellar Astrology" which is highly needed in the present era.

Siddhapurusha Vaikuntavaasi Acharyasri N V Raghavachary (Meena 2) has identified the **present need of a micro analysis in astrology amidst** the present complex events in human life. This appears as the recollection of this Great thinker's association with the astrological subject of his past life(s). The great Saint, has, thus, revived and delivered the Stellar system to the present community.

Classical theories always advocate the interpolation of Karma theory in astrological readings. The karmic influences of a native's action(s) in present life get recorded in few stars among 27 stars. Such of those stars will host the planets at the time of that native's rebirth. Thus, the stellar positions of each planet in a birth chart indicate the past activities of that native. "Nakshatra Chakra" reveals these stellar positions. Moon being 'manokaraka' the stellar position of Moon, as birth star, is the starting point of the astrological study. "Nakshatra Lagna" has also become prominent for bhava results in a "Nakshatra Chart". Thus, the "Nakshtra Chart" is more appropriate in decoding the stellar positions in a birth chart. It is also essential to ensure timing of events with the positions of transiting planets over "Nakshatra birth chart".

The ideological differences in the astrological systems followed for the results of the **transiting planets through 'STARS' and of through 'SIGNS'** is seen from the times of BC 1400 – BC 200. In those days, the Nigama (i.e., Vedic Aryan Brahmanic system) was, in fact, based on the use of four cardinal points coupled with the use of "Nakshtra Chakra" (wheel of Stars); while the Agama system (i.e., Non-Vedic i.e., Saivaite, Naga, Tantric., Jain etc.,

systems) followed fixed "Rasi chakra" (wheel of Signs). In ancient days at some unknown time the use of these two systems got mixed-up.

Yet we see to-day the "**Nakshatra chakra**" is invariably used in Election astrology and for Weather forecast for agricultural purposes. Thus, the utility value of "Nakshatra Chakra" can never be ruled out in the analysis of individuals' birth charts.

Among the ancient astrological treatises a Jain text "**Jyotish Karandaka**" has made a mention of the system of predictions from the "Nakshtra Lagna" instead of "Rasi lagna". Transit of planets through the 27 stars from the Nakshatra lagna were used for further bhava readings.

Another ancient astrological treatise – **"Sukra Neeti"** which is very ancient and as older as Mahabharata - also clarified that astrology is all about the transit of planets through "Nakshatras" and there was no mention of "Signs".

With 60 years of astrological research in the present human affairs, Param Pujya Gurudev Vaikuntavaasi Acharyasri N V Raghavachary (Meena 2) has revealed his <u>"Pertinent thoughts on Dasas and Bhuktis</u>" in his Stellar theory.

The great Saint's research efforts in identifying changes in the GUNAS of transiting planets is very apt in assessing the changing behavior of individuals in any complex life situation(s). From his writings, it is clear that the Saint has adopted the principles of three GUNAS as expounded in Srimad Bhagavath Geetha. His intellectual caliber in adopting these age old principles do indicate that he has a recollection from one of his past life of those times.

Gunas are highly important in gauging the human activity as each and every thought and action of any human being is certainly originated from any one or more GUNAS. In reality, the input of any human thought is qualified by some GUNA(S).

Thus, the system of Stellar astrology as revived by this Siddhapurusha is highly useful in the present era and the efforts of his son and a great disciple Shri. N.V.R.K.Raja's efforts in spreading the system are highly appreciable.

I wish all success to our contemporary Junior Meena-2 Dr.N.V.R.A.Raja and his team in all their efforts to put into a wider practice of this highly needed system of Stellar astrology propounded by Saint Meena-2.

With Pranamams to Vaikuntavaasi Saint Meena -2 C.Sambasiva rao
