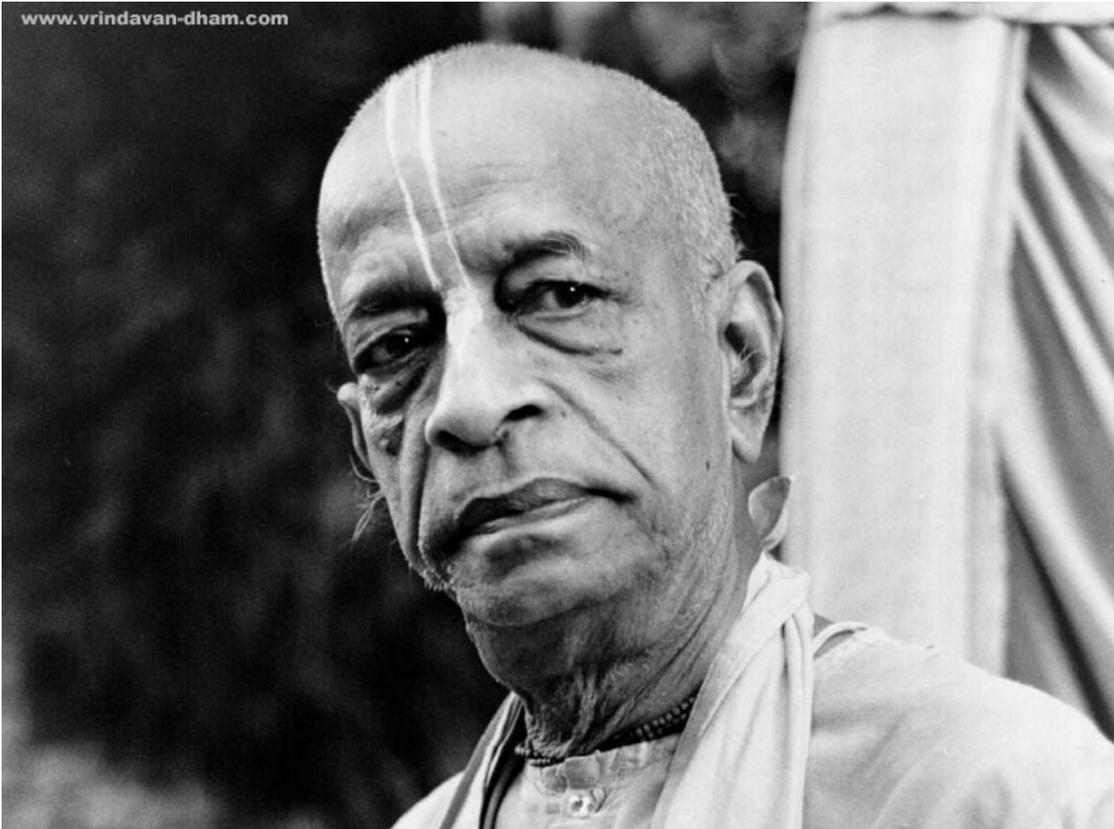


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“I tell you as a sincere friend that you must immediately retire from active politics if you do not desire to die an inglorious death.”

-Shrila Prabhupada (Prophetic Letter to Gandhi, 1947)

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1947 and the Horoscope of India

Patita Pavana das Adhikary

It all started with a recent look at a horoscope of a Godbrother who was born in 1947. Like him, I was also born in 1947, and Indians I meet never cease to remind what a pivotal period it was... Historically, 1947 was among the most significant years of the past several centuries. With World War 2 over, a new



tough, corporate America was busy marketing all those consequences of wartime “progress” like radar, television, the tape recorder, jet propulsion, the automatic transmission and a host of other newfound “luxuries.” Though the Great War had ended, somebody now found the need to invent a “cold war” to keep the citizens under the gun of fear and easy to control. The National Security Act was signed by Truman in America, and from that the infamous CIA, corporate America’s new secret government, was born. In 1947 the radio station “Voice of America” began beaming the “sound of freedom” of a New World Order over to the new enemy, Soviet Russia. 1947 saw USAF Capt. Chuck Yeager as the first to break the sound barrier, in a Bell X-1.

Such progress! America was ready to show off its new tolerance, too. Jackie Robinson broke the “color barrier” when the Brooklyn Dodgers allowed him to play ball. Of course there had been no color barrier in the American Army when it came to fighting for American corporate interests, though black soldiers were not allowed to die with white soldiers.

As a final blow to a humiliated, decimated Germany, the British navy blew up Heligoland Island creating the largest non-nuclear, man-made explosion in history. Not long after that, Princess Elizabeth, soon to be Queen, married the Duke of Edinburgh.

What really made 1947 such a banner year in the history of world events however, was that India, the bright Koh-i-Noor of the British crown, slipped from the grasp of the white *raja*. At the precipice of the end of the Empire, Lord Mountbatten, the last Viceroy of a soon-to-be “once-Great Britain”, had whimsically chosen a date for the departure, 15 Aug 1947. Astrologically, it was one of the worst *muhūrtas* imaginable, one that riled *pandits* all over the Indian sub-continent. When Britain etched the line that partitioned the sub-continent, it simultaneously issued more death warrants through Hindu-Muslim rioting than had Hitler’s concentration camps. Divide and conquer had already left two centuries of bloody footprints in a flood of carnage. Soon trains from or to Pakistan would arrive at their destinations with only corpses for passengers. Shortly thereafter a civil war broke out in Kashmir, one that still continues to this day.

The Midnight Muhurta

It is said that Lord Louis Mountbatten came up with the date of the British departure for midnight, Aug 15, 1947, on the spur of a moment when he had been put on the spot. It is a shame that in the lordly wisdom of a *pucca sahib* he did not have the sense to consult with a few qualified *raj pandits*, if only he’d had the sense to have some. Why the British Raja could not function according to the science of *muhurta* shows how deeply ingrained their prejudices lay. According to the Vedic rules of *muhurta*, the very late hours of night and early morning are more suitable for making babies than for any sort of government-connected *yagna*. Rather than changing the reins of an empire, the Viceroy should have been in bed with his wife Edwina.



Among the *nava-grahas*, the fiery, central Sun naturally rules government. For a government-connected *muhurta*, Lord Surya would be more suitably placed in his position of directional strength, or noonday, which translates into astro-speak as the 10th house of career, or *karmastan*. Mountbatten in his wisdom had chosen the opposite, midnight, placing the fiery Sun in the house of “home” where an imposing and authoritative influence is least required. Astrologically, a midnight Sun has as much value as an irritable, indecisive and lethargic king.

At midnight 15 Aug. 1947, an exalted, angry Rahu in Taurus dominated the horoscope from the rising sign, the *atmasthan*. Vile, shadowy Rahu rules secretive activities, dark motives, pollution, toxic smoke, poisons and ill-motivated schemes. A “free” India was thereby assured of burgeoning unregulated industries, foul pollution of every sort, toxic clouds, massive cigarette and bidi industries and a cacophony of corruption at every level.

All planets were placed in three signs, the inauspicious “spear combination” or *shula yoga*. The Moon was waning, never a portent for growth and progress, and that, too, Chandra was languishing in the inauspicious *chaturdashi* phase, a so-called *rikta* (lit. “hollow”) *tithi*. Although the Moon was in his own sign of Cancer, he was faced with several unwholesome conjunctions. Joining the Moon was the weakened Sun burning his bitter enemy Saturn, who was combust (*asta*) by being too near the intense solar rays. Saturn is the planet of *shudras*, hence the Saturn-Sun-Moon conjunction spoke of a new democracy run by leaders unqualified to lead.

Jupiter the planet of *dharma* was also weak in the 6th indicating the rise of many bogus groups claiming to represent some vague notion called “Hinduism” further confusing religious issues in the new secular state. Mars in the 2nd house of family casting his red eye upon the 5th house of children was a sure and certain testimony to the coming of legalized abortion under the benign moniker of “family planning”. The worst aspect, however, was the entrapment of all planets in the spidery Rahu / Ketu axis, the feared *kala sarpa yoga*, the “combination of the black snake.” Pandits bewailed that if Britain had deliberately looked for a better *muhurta* upon which to inflict revenge against the Indian people for kicking them out, they couldn’t have found one.

Modern “free” India was born under Saturn-ruled Pushyami *nakshatra*. Therefore, true to its Saturnian roots, independent India began life in the *mahadasha* or major period of Shani. With its dual portfolio, Shani rules on

one hand great *yogis* and philosophers, while his lower octave rules menial workers, poverty, old age, infirmity, etc. As a result, no country on earth shows such extremes in the areas of piety and impiety; wealth and poverty; spirituality and bogus atheistic doctrines; education and illiteracy. India's major period of Saturn, Shani *mahadasha*, ran until early 1965 when the brighter rays of Mercury period, Budha *mahadasha*, began to shine upon this beleaguered nation. Within just a few months after Mercury major period began, the Man of Destiny and Dharma, His Divine Grace A.C. Bhaktivedanta Prabhupada, boldly set sail for America. At the time, Shrila Prabhupada was himself in his own Mercury period. As history proves, no scion of Mother India has brought such glory to the sub-continent or the world.

Today, less than half a century later, if India is to be credited with a rediscovered love for her own religious heritage, pure and unadulterated, the credit goes to Shrila Prabhupada. The first Vedic temple in America was created by him. His *Bhagavad Gita As It* has sold in the millions and has made hundreds of thousands of devotees of Krishna. The once isolated village of Vrindavana has been discovered by the entire world due to his Krishna-Balarama Temple there. Mayapur has grown from rice fields into a religious town. Huge, opulent ISKCON centers dot the landscape of India and the world. The greatest spiritual center in India's financial and entertainment hub of Mumbai is Hare Krishna Land. Educated Hindu-born professionals world wide have taken to this movement in droves. Today Indians are proud that people the world over have accepted Gaudiya Vaishnavism as their own true religious conviction. The Bhaktivedanta Book Trust has long since grown to become the number one indological publisher.

In short, one of the very few good things that arose out of the foreboding *muhurta* of midnight, 15 Aug. 1947 when India became "free" is the Hare Krishna Movement, India's great gift to the world. A free India, even one still anchored in British bureaucracy, was after all now free to share the eternal message of *sanatan dharma* with the world unburdened by colonial prejudices. Conversely, too, it may be noted that the first foreigners to come to India en masse to learn and worship side by side with Indian brethren are devotees of ISKCON.

Here, then, are a few select quotes regarding 1947 from the greatest son of Mother India, Shrila Prabhupada:

Shrila Prabhupada Speaks on 1947

1947 - END OF FOREIGN RULE: “For one thousand years the Mohammedans invaded India, from 1000 A.D. up to 1947, till the end of the British period. India was under subjugation by so many foreigners: Mohammedans, Greeks, and so many others. Lastly, the Mohammedans ruled for eight hundred years.” **Lecture 23 Dec. 1968, (LA).**

1947 - BHAKTIVEDANTA TITLE AWARD: “Unless one accepts this Vedānta, he's not a Vedāntist. Therefore some of our Vaishnava friends, they have given me this title, Bhaktivedanta in 1947. They purposefully gave me the title. Vedānta means *bhakti*. ‘So you take this title, Bhaktivedanta.’” **Conversation. 26 Dec. 1976 (Bombay)**

1947 - BEGINS PUBLISHING BACK TO GODHEAD: “Of course even when I was a householder I was publishing Back To Godhead since 1947. But then my Spiritual Master dictated that I should take to writing books which will be a permanent affair.” **Letter, 9 Jan 1969**



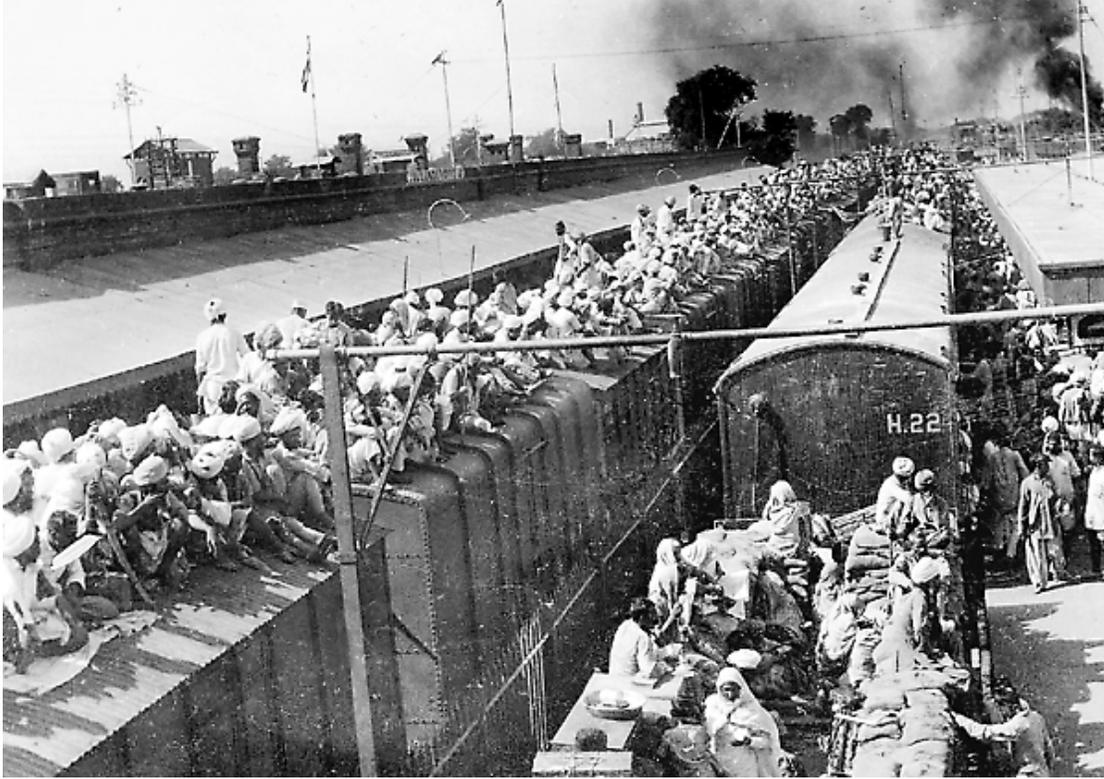
1947 - WARNS GANDHI OF IMMINANT ASSASSINATION: “I tell you as a sincere friend that you must immediately retire from active politics if you do not desire to die an inglorious death. You have 125 years to live as you have desired to live but you if you die an inglorious death it is no worth. The honour and prestige that you have obtained during the course of your present life time, were not possible to be obtained by any one else within the living memory. But you must know that all these honours and prestiges were false in as much as they were created by the Illusory Energy of Godhead called the maya. By this falsity I do not mean to say that your so many friends were false to you nor you were false to them. By this falsity I mean illusion or in other words the false friendship and honours obtained thereby were but creation of maya and therefore they are always temporary or false

as you may call it. But none of you neither your friends nor yourself knew this truth.” **Letter mailed from Kanpur (Cawnpur) 12 July 1947**



Jinnah, the first Prime Minister-to-be of Pakistan, with Gandhi, 1947.

1947 - PARTITION: “Recently, in 1947, during the partition days, there was a big riot between Hindus and Muslims, especially in Bengal. The Hindus were forcibly made to eat cow’s flesh, and consequently they began crying, thinking that they had become Mohammedans. Actually the Mohammedans in India did not come from the country of the Mohammedans, but Hindus instituted the custom that somehow or other if one contacted a Mohammedan, he became a Mohammedan. Rūpa and Sanātana Gosvāmī were born in a high *brāhmaṇa* family, but because they accepted employment under a Mohammedan government, they were considered Mohammedans. Subuddhi Rāya was sprinkled with water from the pitcher of a Mohammedan, and consequently he was condemned to have become a Mohammedan. Later, Aurangzeb, the Mohammedan emperor, introduced a tax especially meant for Hindus. Being oppressed in the Hindu community, many low-caste Hindus preferred to become Mohammedans. In this way the Mohammedan population increased. Later the British government made it a policy to divide the Hindus and the Muslims, and thus they maintained ill feelings between them. The result was that India was divided into Pakistan and Hindustan.” **CC Madhya 25.193**



India, 1947: The world's greatest, and bloodiest, mass migration.

1947 - CALCUTTA RIOTS: “So this is *māyā*. *Janasya moho 'yam ahañ mameti* [SB 5.5.8]. We gather exactly like the straws, and on account of *māyā's* influence, we become very much attached: "Oh, here is my son. Here is my wife. Here is my family. Here is my..." And this is the, what is called, entanglement. Our main business is in the human form of life how to get out of this material world. They do not know. They not only create family but also society, community, nation, In this way we are embarrassed. The so-called nationalism, socialism and communism—simply *moha*, *moha*, exactly the same way as the small, that insects, under some illusion, *moha*, they come to the light and sacrifice their life. I have told you many times. We have seen in 1947, partition days, Hindu-Muslim fighting. One party was Hindu, other party was Muslim. They fought and so many died. And after death, there was no distinction who is Hindu or who is Muslim. The municipal men, they gathered together in piles and to throw them somewhere. Exactly the same way, the same insects, they come to the light and die in the morning, and we gather them together and throw in the street. **Mayapur lecture 21 Oct 1974.**

1947 - CALCUTTA DIVIDED: “Now it has become so dangerous that you cannot walk on the street. At any moment there will be bombs. Last time

when I was in London I had the experience. All of a sudden our car was diverted. The police came: "There is bomb. You cannot go there." So this is going on. In London, in Germany, and other places it has become a terrible place. At any moment there can be bomb. And what is the bombing? The fight between the Roman Catholics and Protestants. Just like we have got experience, Pakistan and India, in 1947. Calcutta itself became divided into two, Pakistan and Hindustan. Nobody was going. There is one big road, Chitpoor Road. So up to Hanson Road, it is Hindustan, and after that, it is Pakistan. The Pakistanis did not dare to come to this side. So this is *matsara*. The *matsaratā*, enviousness, that is the nature of this material world.”
Vrindavana 22 Nov 1976 ·

Where?

Where were the stars when you were born?
Exalted and bright or low and forlorn?
Do they tell the tale of your past birth?
And how you'll pass your days here on Earth?

Where is the life-giving Sun in your chart;
Effulgent and strong, blazing forth from the heart?
Powerfully placed in the mid-point of day-
Or lost in the cold night of winter's decay?

What of Lord Chandradev, planet of mind,
Was he waxing, effulgent, or waning behind?
Was he happily joined a *deva-gana* star,
Or caught in the midst of planets at war?

Then what of the bold young warrior Mars?
Did he give you the courage to face any bad stars?
Was the planet of intellect Mercury smart,
Or fallen and burnt, overshadowed and dark?

Then what about Jupiter, priest of the spheres,
Has he given you happiness all of your years?
And where is your Venus planet of love,
Was he blessing your birth shining brightly above?

Now tell me of Shanideva, planet of fate,
Has he made your life long, or what is your date?
How many breaths of your life will he give,

And what will you do in this one life to live?

And Rahu and Ketu, the head and the tail,
Are they working to help or laugh as you fail?
Will they keep you chained up here in *samsara's* hole?
Or arrange for your *moksha*, lifting your soul?

You've voyaged quite far, over 80 lakh births,
In heavens and hells and in-between earths.
Your planets all show your deeds lives past,
And through surrender to Krishna this life's now your last!

Where were the *grahas* at the time of your birth?
Losing their battles or blessing this Earth?
You've only got moments to choose what is right,
May Krishna be with you before you take flight! ·

-Patita Pavana das Adhikary



Scientific ‘Expert’ Finds Century-old Flaw in Dictionary

...but The Astrological Newsletter finds a flaw in his fault-finding!

From AP News, 11 May 2010:

“SYDNEY (AFP) – An Australian physicist has uncovered an error in a dictionary definition that has likely stood uncorrected for a century. University of Queensland academic Stephen Hughes found that entries for the word 'siphon' incorrectly said atmospheric pressure is the force that allows the device to move liquids from one place to another.

‘It is gravity that moves the fluid in a siphon, with the water in the longer downward arm pulling the water up the shorter arm,’ he said.

‘An extensive check of online and offline dictionaries did not reveal a single dictionary that correctly referred to gravity being the operative force in a siphon,’ he added.”

The Astrological Newsletter responds:

Gravity is the Power of God, not “Science”

One of the trademarks of atheistic scientists is that they enjoy applying scientific-sounding monikers to events that happen in Nature, natural phenomenon that is controlled by the divine hands of God, Shri Krishna. When it rains, bluffing “scientists” point to “evaporation”, “atmospheric pressures” and “precipitation”. The morning dew is labeled as “condensation”. And so it is that the all-pervasive power of the Supreme Lord in His form as Sankarshan, Who easily hold the planets in their places, is attributed to something they called “gravity”. No scientist has ever discovered a speck of gravity. No science museum displays it. But with this word these bamboozlers have bluffed and baffled the gullible people of the world ever since the famous apple fell on Newton’s head.

When these professed scientists discover the key to Lord Sankarshan--the *Shrimad Bhagavatam*--then they shall deserve to be called “scientists”.

They must recognize the greater power of God, that unto the Supreme Lord the Universe is like a mustard seed in a huge bag of mustard seeds.

In truth, today's academia is a mindless herd of ignorant *shudras* that is destroying the planet under the guise of progress. While they are purportedly helping mankind to a brighter future, they have trashed huge areas of Mother Earth and have been responsible for pandemics, thereby lining the pockets of the pharmaceutical industry. The bottom line is that until one is cognizant of the science of Krishna consciousness, he cannot be called a scientist.

Regarding the phenomenon that the scientists call "gravity" here are a few choice quotes from Shrila Prabhupada:

"Scientists Lack Common Sense"

"Why then are we so proud of experimental knowledge? Why experiment? Things are already there. The sun's energy is there, given by God for us to use. What else is there to know? So many apples fall from trees. What further need is there to explain the law of gravity? Actually the scientists are lacking in common sense. They are simply concerned with 'scientific' explanations. They say the law of gravity works only under certain conditions, but who has made these conditions? When Krishna appeared as Lord Ramachandra, He threw stones on the water, and the stones floated. The law of gravity did not work in that case. Therefore the law of gravity works only under the direction of the Supreme Lord. The law in itself is not final. A king may give a law, but he can change that law immediately. The ultimate law-giver is Krishna, and a law will only work by His will. Scientists try to explain God's will in so many ways, but because they are conditioned by Maya, illusion, they can only talk like a person haunted by ghosts. Tell me, what is the scientific explanation that accounts for all the varieties of trees?" Conversation at Venice Beach, April 1973

"Scientific Murderers, Scientific Thieves"

"You know the story of Alexander the Great and the thief. Alexander the Great arrested one thief, and he was going to punish him. The thief pleaded,

‘Sir, you are going to punish me, but what is the difference between you and me? I am a small thief, you are a great thief. That's all. [laughter] You are by force occupying other's kingdom, and you have no right. But because you are strong, or some way or other, you have got the opportunity, and you are conquering country after country... So I am also doing the same thing. So what is the difference between you and me?’ So Alexander considered that ‘Yes, I am nothing but a big thief, that's all.’ So he released him, ‘Yes, I am no better than you.’ Just like dacoits. Nowadays there are many thieves who steal scientifically, legally. There are many lawyers, many scientists. They do harm, but legally. Legal murderer, legal cheaters, so many things. We have got experience, every one of us. If you can protect yourself under the cover of law and you cheat others, then it is nice. But you cannot cheat the supervision of the Supreme. That you cannot do. A thief may steal secretly, but there is no secret.” SB class, LA, 12 Jan 1974

The Planets: “Not Because of Gravity”

“According to the description of this verse, the hundreds and thousands of stars and the great planets such as the Sun, the Moon, Venus, Mercury, Mars and Jupiter are not clustered together because of the law of gravity or any similar idea of the modern scientists. These planets and stars are all servants of the Supreme Personality of Godhead, Govinda or Krishna and according to His order they sit in their chariots and travel in their respective orbits. The orbits in which they move are compared to machines given by material nature to the operating deities of the stars and planets, who carry out the orders of the Supreme Personality of Godhead by revolving around Dhruvaloka, which is occupied by the great devotee Maharaja Dhruva. This is confirmed in the *Brahma Samhita* (5.52) as follows:

*yac-cakṣur eṣ a savitā sakala-grahāṇām
rājā samasta-sura-mūrtir aśeṣa-tejāḥ
yasyājñayā bhramati sambhṛta-kāla-cakro
govindam ādi-puruṣam tam aham bhajāmi*

‘I worship Govinda, the primeval Lord, the Supreme Personality of Godhead, under whose control even the Sun, which is considered to be the eye of the Lord, rotates within the fixed orbit of eternal time. The Sun is the king of all planetary systems and has unlimited potency in heat and light.’

This verse from *Brahma Samhita* confirms that even the largest and most powerful planet, the Sun, rotates within a fixed orbit, or *kala-cakra*, in obedience to the order of the Supreme Personality of Godhead. This has nothing to do with gravity or any other imaginary laws created by the material scientists.” (SB 5.23.3) ·

Beware the Scientific-Corporate-Industrial-Military-Political-Biologically-engineered-One-world-bank Complex

Editor’s note: At times (though rarely) honest, noble scientists come forward to blow the whistle on the demonic elements rampant in their field, though such instances within that elite community are rare. A recent documentary featuring an author/authority on public health medicine and transmissible diseases, one Dr. Leonard Horowitz (who also produced the film) is such an example. The eye-popping film is called *In Lies We Trust* and it can be viewed at:

<http://video.google.com/videoplay?docid=-8674401787208020885#>

Watch closely as Dr Horowitz publicly challenges one Dr Robert Gallo, who he suspects may have been complicit in engineering the AIDS virus when he worked for a bionetics contractor under contract by the US Army. Was this scientist responsible--whether accidentally or not-- for allowing AIDS to find its way into the public through flawed vaccination programmes? Palmists and physiognomists should check out the crooked little finger, the finger of Mercury (planet of communication), of the left hand as Dr Gallo dismisses the possibility of a leaked virus with a wave of his arm.

Seen on PAMHO: “Get Out of the City”

From today onward, I renounce *sabodhana* [as it is non-vegetarian]. Only Krishna will save from us from all these crazy foods. The best product is what is prepared by oneself. Do you know that about 25% of turmeric powder is actually wood-dust, is mixed together by the unscrupulous manufacturers? The best, stay natural and make your own food product, or just get out of the city.

ys, Isvara dasa.

Letters to the Editor
(Edited for brevity)
Grim Fruits of Compromised Preaching

Dear Patita Pavana das Prabhu,

Thanks so much for your newsletter. Awesome, sobering, even scary... I find it rather IRONIC, that your newsletter is more direct and stronger preaching than what has become of some of new-age, Hinduized preachers. Dysfunction is such a let down. We had better get preaching--and now. The world as we know it will change dramatically. WW3, I'm afraid, may be unavoidable. If our preaching remains diluted, then the reactions to this will come in the form of...God-knows-what--WW3? Shrila Prabhupada's instructions must really and sincerely be adhered to without changes or compromising policies. Deviations from the instructions of the spiritual master must bear sour fruits of bad karma.

As a supporter and a member of ISKCON, I speak out my opinions and realizations openly, and many of Shrila Prabhupada's disciples feel similarly. Obviously, Lord Shri Krishna is setting the stage for some big changes eventually.

The 60's and 70's were the high point for ISKCON. If we are to welcome a bright future for the world, then we should look to those days of non-compromising methods of relaying the Absolute Truth through public chanting of Hari Nama and book distribution.

Shrila Prabhupada's said that the Viet Nam War was stopped because of *sankirtan* I would go so far as to declare that the yagna even prevented a WW3 with Russia. But times have changed somewhat. The weight of the sinful activities of Kali Yuga is extremely cumbersome and only the movement of Mahaprabhu can save us.

All is NOT lost! Many thousands of sincere devotees are preaching, both householders and *bramacharis* out on book distribution and Hari Namas in Russia and the Former Soviet Union as well as discreetly in China and the Middle East. In India, the preaching is the strongest ever; in the matter of

temple construction, printing books and the making of devotees through active hari nama sankirtana. I saw all this on my recent trips there.

On another topic----I have a question I've been checking out the information on this Planet X. Is this real? What do you know about it? Does this show up in Vedic astrology? Dandavats--to you and your good wife, Planet X or no Planet X!

We are headed for some very serious and mind blowing times, so let us continue preaching the message of the spiritual master. May Lord Krishna Bless and protect you and your good wife! Hari Bol.

Your friend and servant,

Jaya Madhava das---Moscow

Regarding America, my dear Prabhu, it is a study in *karma*, past, present and future. It is a study of the good deeds of the well-meaning citizens(*karma*) working against the bad deeds (*vikarma*) of the cancerous government and their combined results (*karma-phal*), which is where astrology comes into the mix.

Shrila Prabhupada said, "America was founded on bloodshed, therefore it will be liquidated in blood." It is true. The so-called "land of the free" grew upon the graves of the very native tribals who taught the first English settlers how to live there. With its growth limited by the karma of its founding example, i.e. genocide of various peoples, the country has continued to expand by following its original policies. Yet, as the aggression in Iraq, Afghanistan and dozens of other other places shows us, the confrontational founding principle remains essentially no different today; it is just clothed differently in a thin guise of "sharing democratic values".

The greatest nation on earth continues its colonialist schemes for domination through a demonic government and its arms, the powerful military. Yet the government works on behalf of the interests of the mega-corporations that control the economy and even print its money. The people are pawns who are cheated into voting for either of two parties, both of which will continue working for the banks. It is an oligarchic form of fascism wherein the government

does not own the corporations, but the corporations own the government. This is plainly evident outside looking in, but most Americans refuse to believe accept the truth about the government they elected due to the hypnosis of their government-sponsored media.

Under the Halloween-like costume of "democracy", the divide-and-conquer role America has played (through its many ploys and its UN and CIA) is little different from that of the 18th and 19th century British colonialists. Both America and Britain openly support a New World Order. But, back to the karma issue which the corporate giants and may not obligingly unfold in their favor. Karma is not as cooperative as the American voting public; voters that have a choice between two sides of the same counterfeit coin minted of scrap metals. Five recent eclipses in Capricorn, the sign under which America was founded, cannot be ignored by any omenologist. As you say, it is a do or die situation for devotees to redouble sankirtan efforts in America.

And, yes, I do know all about Planet X. I mean if the world does not take to Krishna consciousness and refuses to give up their sinful ways and close the slaughter houses, then our Earth will be planet-ex! Your servant, -Ed.

What's Happening?

Dear Prabhuji!

I always receive and read your monthly news letter. This month you did not have so much forecast as usual. I am simply waiting to see everything explode as the central banks and governments keep bailing out the bankers and stealing from the common people. It is outrageous and the common people are going to revolt, which they are starting to do even here in Bangkok right now. I pray for your kind blessings and good wishes always.

Your servant,
Bhakta dasa

My dear Bhakta Prabhuji,
Dandavats, Pranams. Prabhupada kijai. I have been wondering why there has been an unusually high number of crazy incidences all over the world. Riots in Krung

Thep. The oil rig disaster in the Gulf of Mexico. Floods in TN and many killer tornadoes in the Midwest. Murders at five elementary schools in China with dozens of children hacked to death. Today there was a Libyan air disaster. Huge tragedies like these usually accompany eclipses or comets. Recently I read that pieces of Halley's Comet have broken off and are producing a huge meteor shower, and then everything fell into place. This is the work of Ketu, Dhumaketu. These things are very sudden and surprising, impossible to predict.

Your servant,
Patita Pavana das,Ed.

Wisdom from the Mouths of Babes

Hare Krishna Prabhu,

Please accept my humble obeisances. Jai Shrila Prabhupada. I have been reading your articles on Dandavats. Your interest in astrology and invitation to interact with you at the end of your articles gives me the courage to send my birth details to you. I would request you to guide me with respect to my spiritual growth in future as reflected in the chart:

Date of Birth: May 12, 2010

Place: Miryalaguda (Andhra Pradesh-India)

Time of birth: 0800 hrs

Your humble servant,
Rama Laxmana dasa

My dear Prabhuji,

Your English, typing skill and command of language are most excellent considering that you were born May 12, 2010, which is today. Remarkable! (Correct the date and we'll be happy to do it for you. That is, if we are still on speaking terms!) -Ed.

From A Well-Wisher

Dear Panditji, Very interesting as usual. Since many years I had always hoped that you could advise the devotees in the planetary trends and now

you are doing so wonderfully. Especially now that things will get more difficult with the coming world war. All glories to your *seva*!

Hope this finds you both happy and healthy,

Begging to remain your servant,

Arjuna das

Strange how this happens, Prabhu! This fool has just realized that **The Astrological Newsletter** has come about due to your blessings. And, let me add that the prime purpose of his endeavor is my own advancement as per Prabhupada's instruction. "It is for my own purification that I take pen in hand." By the grace of the Vaishnavas, they have allowed me into their holy company for my own betterment. With great honor I take the dust of your lotus feet on my head.

Your servant, Patita Pavana das, Ed.

Finally we got a baby boy at 5:20 am on 16.05.2010 in Vrndavan Dham. I don't know how to react after reading your mail as yesterday I couldn't access my mail also. What do you foresee in this case of 5:20 am?

Your servant,

Vibhava Krsna Dasa.

He was born almost at sunrise on Akshaya Tritiya, the "indestructible tithi", and that, too, in Vrindavana. What else can we say but "Congratulations, Prabhu." -Ed.

Appreciations

There is some very interesting material in the Newsletters. Thanks a lot. If possible I would like to receive future editions.

Radha Mohan das

Bhaktivedanta Manor

And e-mail copies to your friends, too. -Ed.

Dear Patita Pavan Prabhu,

Please accept my humble obeisances. All glories to Srila Prabhupad. Thank you so much for the invaluable information. I'm thrilled about the topic. Yes I'd like to have a free copy of the edition and would be ever grateful to you.

Your humble servant, Mangala Madhava das

Vaishnavebhya namo namah! -Ed.

Dear Prabhuji,

Also Thank you very much for the permission to print articles from The Astrological Newsletter in the India Back to Godhead so that many will get benefit.

Your servant, Pandurangdas

Print and distribute as far and wide as the autumn leaves!
-Ed.