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Marital Discord and Second Marriage: Planetary Combinations in Jyotish

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In Vedic Astrology (Jyotish), marital discord (Kalesh) does not always result in immediate legal divorce. Often, it manifests as chronic emotional friction, bitter communication, ego clashes and domestic turbulence.

When the primary natural significators of passion and love (Mars and Venus), the divine protector (Jupiter) and the foundation of domestic peace (4th and 9th houses) are compromised by malefic alignments, the domestic sphere becomes a battleground rather than a sanctuary.

1. Malefic Siege on the 7th House & Significant Karakas

• **Rahu and Saturn in the 7th House Aspected by Mars:** One of the most turbulent marital alignments. When Rahu (obsession/illusion) and Saturn (coldness/delay) occupy the 7th house and receive an aspect from a combative Mars, intense arguments, sudden outbursts and severe friction become routine.

• **Afflicted and Weak Jupiter:** Jupiter acts as the divine cushion of tolerance, ethics, and wisdom. When Jupiter is weak, combust, debilitated or severely afflicted by functional malefics, the natural ability to forgive, compromise and maintain philosophical balance in marriage is lost.

• **Association Between Powerful Saturn and Venus:** When a strong Saturn dominates Venus through conjunction or close aspect, it introduces emotional coldness, severe restraint, suspicion or a transactional, joyless dynamic to the romantic bond.

• **Severe Affliction to Mars:** Mars governs marital drive, passion, and physical energy. When severely damaged by nodes or enemy aspects, healthy assertiveness turns into irrational temper, aggression or passive-aggressive resentment.

2. Sensitive Venusian Alignments (The Heart of Discord)

Venus governs mutual attraction, marital happiness and the comfort of partnership:

• **Venus, Rahu, and Mars in 3 Successive Houses (Venus \to Rahu \to Mars):** When

these three planets sit in consecutive houses in this exact sequence, desire (Venus) is amplified by insatiable cravings (Rahu) and immediately crashes into conflict and aggression (Mars). This setup generates high drama, instability and continuous relationship volatility.

• **Venus in Leo Close to Sun in the Vargas of Sun:** Venus placed in the fiery sign of Leo (Simha) in close proximity to the Sun, especially when repeating in solar divisional harmonics, burns marital tenderness under intense ego battles, pride and demands for dominance.

• **Venus Surrounded by Sun and Moon in Reference to the 7th House:** A delicate planetary hemming around the marital significator that subjects the emotional nature (Moon) and authority/ego (Sun) to constant polarization, creating domestic instability.

3. Afflictions to Foundations: The 4th and 9th Houses

• **Debilitation of the Lords of the 4th and 9th Houses:**
• The 4th house represents domestic harmony, emotional peace (Sukha) and the home environment.
• The 9th house represents dharma, moral integrity and divine fortune (Bhagya).
• When the rulers of both the 4th and 9th houses are simultaneously debilitated, domestic happiness collapses, leaving the partnership vulnerable to constant unrest and moral friction.

• **Mars in the 2nd House:** Placing a combative Mars in the house of speech (Vaak Bhava), family lineage and in-laws leads to harsh, blunt communication and recurring friction with the partner’s family or in-laws.

4. Complex Planetary Exchanges: Mars and Jupiter

• **Mars in Jupiter's Sign Aspected by Jupiter:** While Jupiter's aspect is generally protective, Mars situated in Sagittarius (Dhanu) or Pisces (Meena) receiving a direct aspect from Jupiter can produce intense ideological battles, moral self-righteousness and uncompromising arguments where neither partner is willing to concede ground.

5. Combinations for Plural (Multiple) Marriages

Classical texts link relationship instability with dual (mutable) signs and multiple associations:

• **Afflicted 7th Lord in a Dual Sign:** If the ruler of the 7th house occupies a dual sign (Gemini, Virgo, Sagittarius or Pisces) and suffers affliction from malefics, the native's marital

path tends to divide, frequently leading to multiple relationships or remarriage.

• **Afflicted 7th Lord in the 7th or 8th House:** When the 7th lord sits in the 7th house (creating excessive focus on partnerships) or falls into the 8th house of transformation and sudden endings while afflicted by malefics, it often triggers the dissolution of the first marriage followed by a second union.

The Ultimate Mitigating Factor: The Aspect of Jupiter

Even when a horoscope contains severe indicators of Kalesh or multiple unions, classical texts provide an important rule of grace:

The direct aspect (Drishti) of an unafflicted Jupiter onto the 7th house, the 7th lord or Venus significantly minimizes these blemishes.

Jupiter’s divine glance softens anger, introduces moral restraint, protects legal ties and often prevents domestic disputes from turning into an irrecoverable breakdown.

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