



Astrological Analysis of the 6th and 10th Houses in the Horoscopes of Marine Engineering Students: An Observational Study

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Abstract

This study analyzes the sixth and tenth houses in the horoscopes of marine engineering students. A sample of fifty horoscopes was selected for the present observational study. The sixth house is examined with reference to service, discipline, competition, and practical work, while the tenth house is analyzed in relation to profession, career, responsibility, and occupational activities. Planetary positions, house lords, aspects, and the relationship between the sixth and tenth houses are studied in each chart. The study aims to identify recurring astrological patterns associated with marine engineering education and professional orientation, and it finds that all fifty horoscopes satisfy at least four of six predefined astrological rules, suggesting a consistent pattern linking sixth- and tenth-house strength to this technical career path.

Keywords

Vedic astrology, marine engineering, sixth house, tenth house, profession, technical education, horoscope, planetary positions.

Introduction

Marine engineering is a specialized technical field that requires discipline, practical skill, endurance, and professional responsibility. Those who enter the profession must combine analytical competence with sustained physical and mental effort, since the work involves the operation, maintenance, and repair of complex machinery under demanding conditions at sea. Vedic astrology offers a framework for examining the personal aptitudes that may correspond to such a career.

In Vedic astrology, the sixth house represents service, competition, discipline, and work-related activity, while the tenth house signifies profession, career, status, responsibility, and occupational achievement (Parasara 233, 261). Because marine engineering combines the disciplined, service-oriented character of the sixth house with the career-defining function of the tenth house, a joint examination of both houses offers a natural astrological lens through



which to study this profession. This study analyzes these two houses in the horoscopes of marine engineering students in order to identify recurring astrological patterns.

Hypothesis

The strength and planetary influences of the sixth and tenth houses are significantly associated with the discipline, technical skill, and career orientation of marine engineering students. Students whose sixth- and tenth-house lords form favorable combinations are expected to show greater suitability and professional inclination toward marine engineering and related careers.

Research Evidence

Horoscopes collected from marine engineering students constitute the primary evidence for this study.

Research Limitations

The study is limited by its relatively small sample size and by the availability of accurate birth details for marine engineering students. As an observational astrological study, its findings cannot establish a causal relationship between planetary positions and career choice; they can only describe an observed pattern of association.

Objectives

1. To analyze the significance of the sixth and tenth houses and their lords in the horoscopes of marine engineering students.
2. To observe the influence of planetary positions and combinations related to the sixth and tenth houses on students' choice of marine engineering as a career.

Astrological Indicators

1. The sixth and tenth houses.
2. The sixth- and tenth-house lords.
3. Planets placed in the sixth and tenth houses.
4. The connection between the sixth and tenth houses.
5. Dasha (planetary period) and planetary strength.

Literature Survey

Traditional and contemporary Vedic astrology literature gives considerable importance to the sixth house for service, employment, competition, and daily work, while the tenth house is regarded as the principal house of profession, karma, status, and career (Varahamihira 97). Existing astrological studies generally analyze career through the tenth house, the tenth lord, the planets occupying or aspecting the tenth house, and supporting houses such as the second, sixth, and eleventh houses (Mantresvara 43). However, specific observational research



focusing jointly on the sixth and tenth houses in the horoscopes of marine engineering students appears comparatively limited. Classical authorities such as Varahamihira's Brihat Jataka, Mantresvara's Phala Deepika, and Maharishi Parasara's Brihat Parasara Hora Sastra provide the doctrinal basis for interpreting the sixth and tenth houses used in this study (Varahamihira 97-98; Mantresvara 43-45; Parasara 233). Therefore, the present study attempts to examine these astrological indicators systematically in a selected group of marine engineering students.

Rules

1. Strength of the sixth house.
2. Strength of the tenth house.
3. Association of the sixth and tenth lords.
4. Planets in the sixth house.
5. Planets in the tenth house.
6. Association of Mars, Mercury, and Saturn with the sixth or tenth house or their lords.

Interpretation of Rules

1. The strength of the sixth and tenth houses is assessed on the basis of (a) the planets occupying the houses, (b) the planets aspecting the houses, (c) the dignity and strength of their respective lords, and (d) the placement of the lords and the association between the sixth and tenth lords.

2. Association of the sixth and tenth lords is evaluated through conjunction (placement together), mutual aspect, parivarthana (exchange of houses), nakshatra parivarthana, and kendra or trikona association.

3. A significant association of Mars with the sixth or tenth houses, or with their respective lords, is considered an astrological indicator supporting technical, engineering, and machinery-related occupations. Mercury may be considered an indicator supporting technical education, analytical ability, communication, calculation, and engineering-related occupations. Saturn may be considered an indicator supporting discipline, endurance, hard work, responsibility, and sustained effort in technical and engineering-related occupations (Mantresvara 33-42). For each of these three planets, the relevant considerations are (i) occupying the sixth or tenth house, (ii) aspecting the sixth or tenth house, (iii) conjunction with the sixth or tenth house, (iv) aspecting the sixth or tenth lord, (v) association with the sixth or tenth lord, and (vi) strength and dignity — own sign, exaltation, or friendly sign.

4. The strength of the sixth- and tenth-house lords is assessed on the basis of Shadbala (six-fold planetary strength), sign dignity and Navamsa (D9) placement, and house placement,



aspects, and associations. Sign dignity in turn covers own sign, exaltation, debilitation, and friendly or enemy sign.

The Strength of the Sixth House: Factors for Ph.D. Research Assessment

For doctoral-level research, the strength of the sixth house is assessed with reference to the ten factors summarized in Table 1.

Sl. No.	Consideration	Assessment
1	Planets occupying the 6th house	• Benefic or malefic planets. • Number and nature of planets present. • Their dignity and strength.
2	Planets aspecting the 6th house	• Beneficial or challenging aspects. • Strength of the aspecting planets.
3	Natural significator of the 6th house	• Mars is particularly relevant for competition, enemies, courage, and overcoming obstacles. • Saturn is also relevant to service, labour, discipline, and difficult work.
4	6th lord	• Its sign and dignity. • Own sign, exaltation, friendly sign, neutral or inimical sign. • Whether it is strong or weak by placement.
5	Placement of the 6th lord	Especially its placement in Kendra (1, 4, 7, 10), Trikona (1, 5, 9), or an Upachaya house (3, 6, 10, 11).
6	Dignity of planets connected with the 6th	• Exaltation • Own sign • Moolatrikona • Friendly/enemy sign • Debilitation
7	Shadbala	Assess the 6th lord's Shadbala to determine its quantitative planetary strength.
8	Navamsa (D9)	Check the dignity and strength of the 6th lord in Navamsa and its overall divisional strength.
9	Benefic/malefic influence	The overall influence of benefics and malefics on the 6th house and its lord should be considered.



Sl. No.	Consideration	Assessment
10	Relationship with the 10th house	For marine engineering study, whether the 6th house has a significant connection with the 10th house/10th lord, because the 6th relates to service/employment and the 10th to profession.

Table 1. Factors for assessing the strength of the sixth house (source data supplied by the research guide).

In combination, the sixth house, sixth lord, planets in the sixth house, aspects, Shadbala, Navamsa, and the connection with the tenth house together determine the overall strength attributed to the sixth house in each horoscope.

Method

A sample of fifty horoscopes of marine engineering students was collected, recording the date, time, and place of birth of each subject. Each chart was evaluated against the six rules described above, and a horoscope was marked as satisfying a rule (✓) or not satisfying it (–). The number of rules satisfied by each horoscope was then tallied, and the results were aggregated across the sample, as presented in the following tables.

Fifty-Horoscope Analysis

Table 2 presents the rule-by-rule results for horoscopes 1–25, and Table 3 presents the results for horoscopes 26–50.

Sl. No.	DOB	TOB	POB	Rule 1	Rule 2	Rule 3	Rule 4	Rule 5	Rule 6	Total
1	15-08-04	3am	Chennai	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	6
2	15-10-06	11:18pm	Vishakhapatnam	✓	✓	✓	–	✓	✓	5
3	16-09-07	1:30am	Karamadai	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	6
4	26-12-06	5:31pm	Bokaro	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	6
5	26-05-07	8:07am	Repalle	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	6



Sl. No.	DOB	TOB	POB	Rule 1	Rule 2	Rule 3	Rule 4	Rule 5	Rule 6	Total
6	06-02-06	3:30pm	Kuttampuzha	√	√	√	√	–	√	5
7	21-04-07	11:00am	Thanjavur	√	√	√	√	√	√	6
8	10-04-08	12:05pm	Sirkazhi	√	√	√	–	√	√	5
9	23-06-06	6:00am	Aizwal	√	√	√	√	√	√	6
10	17-09-06	12:00am	Trichy	√	√	√	–	√	√	5
11	12-12-06	6:30pm	Perambalur	√	√	√	√	–	√	5
12	21-06-07	5:40am	Trichy	√	√	√	√	–	√	5
13	11-04-06	11:00am	Thoothukudi	√	√	√	–	√	√	5
14	18-06-07	6:58am	Chennai	√	√	√	√	–	√	5
15	02-10-06	12:00am	Kanyakumari	√	√	√	–	√	√	5
16	14-05-07	10:11am	Erode	√	√	√	√	√	√	6
17	10-02-07	4:00pm	Nagercoil	√	√	√	√	–	√	5
18	12-10-06	10:40pm	Tiruvannamalai	√	√	√	–	–	√	4



Sl. No.	DOB	TOB	POB	Rule 1	Rule 2	Rule 3	Rule 4	Rule 5	Rule 6	Total
19	15-04-06	9:46am	Vishakhapatnam	√	√	√	—	√	√	5
20	30-08-05	2:40am	T.V.Puram	√	√	√	—	√	√	5
21	06-08-06	3:46am	Uttar Kashi	√	√	√	—	√	√	5
22	29-12-05	7:00pm	Nellore	√	√	√	√	√	√	6
23	06-04-02	10:32pm	Tirunelveli	√	√	—	√	√	√	5
24	22-06-05	7:20am	Chennai	√	√	√	—	√	√	5
25	25-06-05	7:30am	Aisnail	√	√	√	—	√	√	5

Table 2. Rule-wise results for horoscopes 1–25.



Sl. No.	DOB	TOB	POB	Rule 1	Rule 2	Rule 3	Rule 4	Rule 5	Rule 6	Total
26	21-10-05	11:32pm	Pudukkottai	√	√	√	√	√	√	6
27	13-03-05	12:30pm	Kasargod	√	√	√	—	√	√	5
28	20-11-05	8:30pm	Trichy	√	√	√	√	√	√	6
29	18-12-05	6:35pm	Rewri	√	√	√	√	√	√	6
30	01-01-06	6:38pm	Attur	√	√	√	—	√	√	5
31	18-10-04	8:30pm	Guwahati	√	√	√	—	√	√	5
32	15-10-05	11:3pm	Koothanallur	√	√	√	√	√	√	6
33	24-12-04	7:00pm	Nagappattinam	√	√	—	√	—	√	4
34	07-09-06	12:00am	Sitra	√	√	—	—	√	√	4
35	17-07-05	6:00am	Nasik	√	√	√	—	√	√	5
36	01-05-07	10:35am	Elur	√	√	√	√	—	√	5
37	10-10-04	12:15am	Nagappattinam	√	√	√	—	—	√	4
38	10-11-06	9:15pm	Nainital	√	√	√	√	—	√	5



Sl. No.	DOB	TOB	POB	Rule 1	Rule 2	Rule 3	Rule 4	Rule 5	Rule 6	Total
39	11-03-06	1:00pm	Tekkali	√	√	–	–	√	√	4
40	15-04-06	10:40am	Manapparai	√	√	√	–	√	√	5
41	04-08-05	4:30am	Pudukkottai	√	√	√	–	√	√	5
42	29-11-05	7:30pm	Vellore	√	√	√	√	√	√	6
43	25-09-04	1:10am	Trichy	√	√	√	–	–	√	4
44	14-08-04	3:30am	Vellore	√	√	√	–	–	√	4
45	04-08-02	4:30am	Karaikal	√	√	√	√	–	–	4
46	30-12-04	6:30am	Nagappattinam	√	√	–	√	–	√	4
47	23-09-04	12:40am	R M Puram	√	√	√	–	–	√	4
48	30-11-04	7:00pm	Chengalpattu	√	√	–	√	–	√	4
49	03-03-02	1:30pm	Saraimir	√	√	–	√	√	√	5
50	19-08-03	2:00am	Cuttack	√	√	√	√	–	√	5

Table 3. Rule-wise results for horoscopes 26–50.

Illustrative Case I

The first illustrative horoscope belongs to a subject born on 16 September 2007 at 1:30 a.m. in Karamadai. Figure 1 shows the Rasi (D1) and Navamsa (D9) charts for this native.



		Ma Md	
Ra	D1		Ve
			Su Sa Ke
	Ju	Mo	Me

			Sa
Mo Ve	D9		Me Ke
Ra			
Ju Su			Ma Md

Fig. 1. Rasi (D1) and Navamsa (D9) charts for Illustrative Case I (16 September 2007, 1:30 a.m., Karamadai).

Rule No.	Rule	Result
1	6th lord Mars aspecting the 6th house; 10th lord Jupiter in the 6th house	Satisfied
2	10th lord Jupiter aspecting the 10th house; strong Mercury aspecting the 10th house	Satisfied
3	6th lord Mars and 10th lord Jupiter mutually aspecting each other	Satisfied
4	Jupiter (10th lord) placed in the 6th house	Satisfied
5	10th lord posited in the 6th house and aspecting the 10th house	Satisfied
6	Mars aspecting the 6th house; Mercury aspecting the 10th house; Saturn associated with the 6th lord	Satisfied

Table 4. Rule-wise evaluation of Illustrative Case I.

Illustrative Case II

The second illustrative horoscope belongs to a subject born on 21 December 2006 at 5:31 p.m. in Bokaro. Figure 2 shows the corresponding Rasi (D1) and Navamsa (D9) charts.

			Md
Ra Mo	D1		
			Sa Ke
Su Me Ve	Ma Ju		

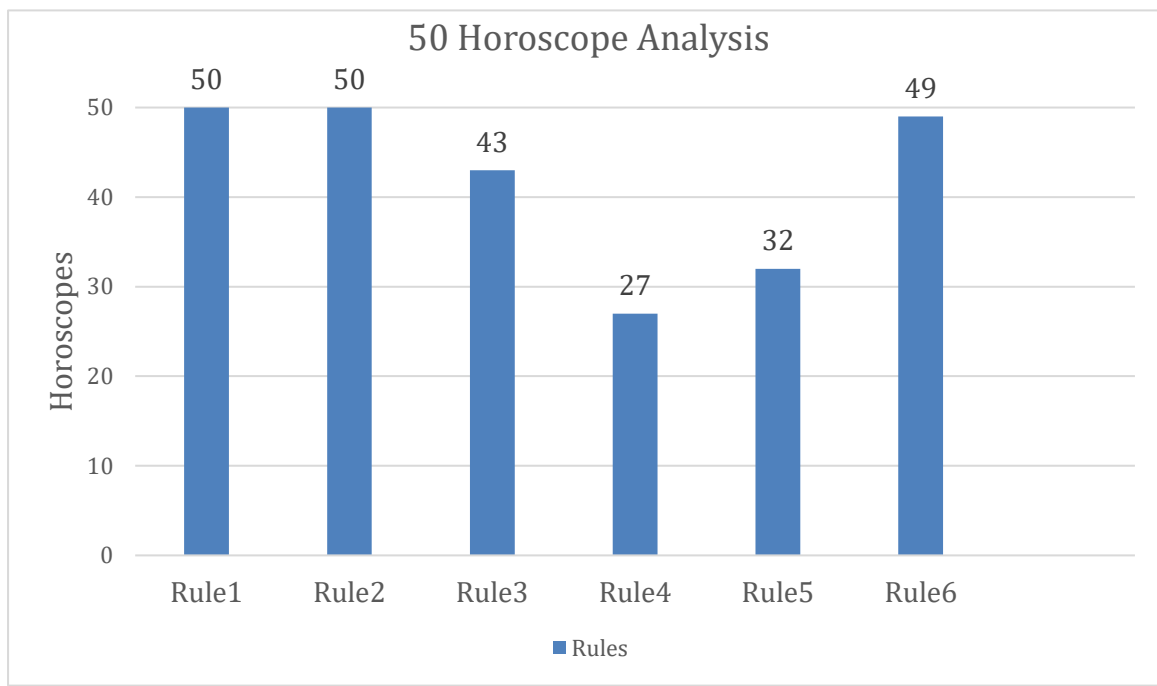
	Sa	Mo Md Me Ra	
	D9		Su
Ma			
	Ve Ke	Ju	

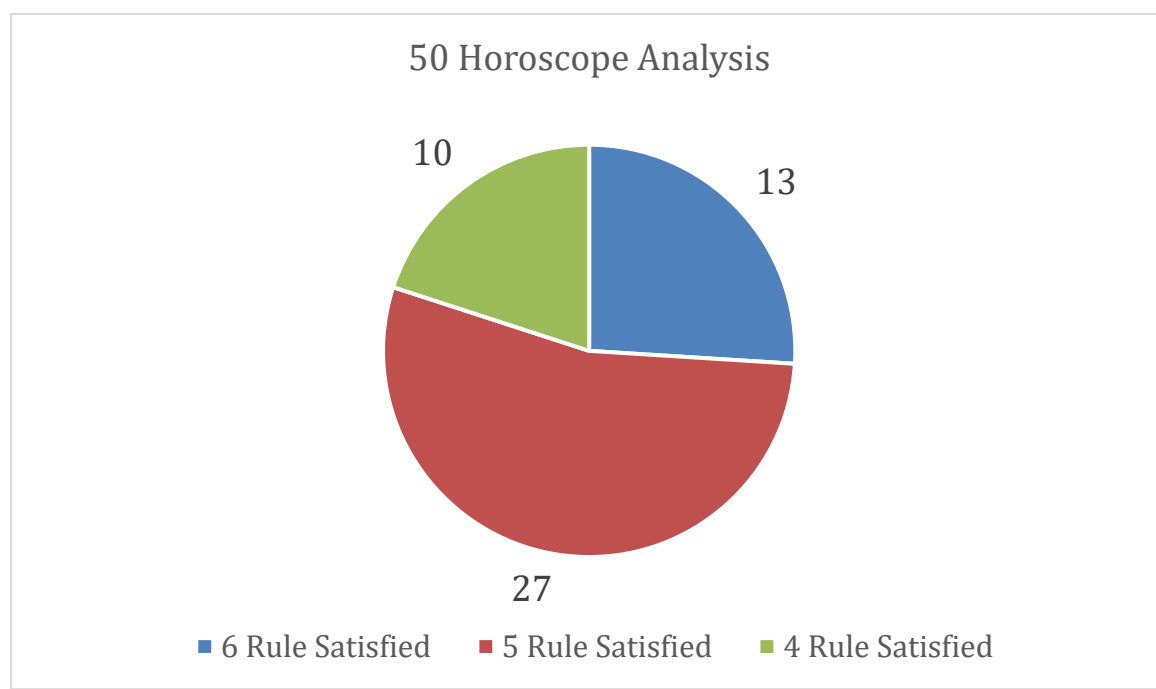
Fig. 2. Rasi (D1) and Navamsa (D9) charts for Illustrative Case II (21 December 2006, 5:31 p.m., Bokaro).



Rule No.	Rule	Result
1	6th lord Mars placed in its own 6th house	Satisfied
2	10th house aspected by 10th lord Jupiter	Satisfied
3	6th lord Mars and 10th lord Jupiter associated in the 6th house	Satisfied
4	6th lord Mars and 10th lord Jupiter associated in the 6th house	Satisfied
5	10th lord placed in the 6th house and aspecting its own house	Satisfied
6	Mars in the 6th house; Saturn aspecting 6th lord Mars; Mercury in a Jupiter-owned sign	Satisfied

Table 5. Rule-wise evaluation of Illustrative Case II.





Results and Statistical Summary

The observational analysis of fifty horoscopes was conducted using six predefined astrological rules relating to the sixth and tenth houses. Table 6 summarizes how many rules each horoscope satisfied, and Table 7 breaks down the results rule by rule.

No. of rules satisfied	No. of horoscopes	Percentage
All 6 rules	13	26%
5 rules	27	54%
4 rules	10	20%
Total	50	100%

Table 6. Distribution of horoscopes by number of rules satisfied.

Rule	Horoscopes satisfying the rule	Percentage
Rule 1	50	100%
Rule 2	50	100%
Rule 3	43	86%
Rule 4	27	54%



Rule	Horoscopes satisfying the rule	Percentage
Rule 5	32	64%
Rule 6	49	98%

Table 7. Individual rule-wise results across the sample of fifty horoscopes.

The key result of the study is that all fifty horoscopes satisfied at least four of the six rules. Thirteen horoscopes (26%) satisfied all six rules, twenty-seven (54%) satisfied five rules, and ten (20%) satisfied four rules, so that eighty percent of the sample satisfied five or six of the six rules. Among the individual rules, Rule 1 and Rule 2 were satisfied by all fifty horoscopes (100%), Rule 6 was satisfied by forty-nine horoscopes (98%), Rule 3 by forty-three horoscopes (86%), Rule 5 by thirty-two horoscopes (64%), and Rule 4, the least frequently satisfied, by twenty-seven horoscopes (54%).

Discussion

The consistently high satisfaction rates for Rules 1, 2, and 6 suggest that the placement and aspect relationships of the sixth and tenth lords, together with the association of Mars, Mercury, and Saturn with these houses, are the most reliable markers linking a horoscope to marine engineering as a profession. The comparatively lower satisfaction rate for Rule 4 indicates that direct planetary placement in the sixth or tenth house is a less universal, though still meaningful, contributing factor. Taken together, the two illustrative cases show how the sixth and tenth lords may be mutually connected through conjunction, mutual aspect, or house exchange, reinforcing the pattern identified across the full sample.

Conclusion

All fifty horoscopes examined in this study exhibited at least four of the six predefined astrological rules, indicating a consistent observed pattern of sixth- and tenth-house factors in this sample of marine engineering students. The findings support the hypothesis that favorable combinations of the sixth and tenth lords, together with the association of Mars, Mercury, and Saturn with these houses, correspond to discipline, technical aptitude, and career orientation toward marine engineering. As an observational study based on a limited sample, these findings describe an astrological pattern rather than a causal relationship, and they invite further research on larger and more diverse samples of technical-education students.



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