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<sup>1-3</sup>In this, my work on Horoscopy, there are 25 Adhyayas, viz., (1) Rasiprabheda, (2) Grahayonibheda, (3) Viyonijanma, (4) Nisheka Kala, (5) Janma Vidhi, (6) Arishta Balarishta, (7) Ayurdaya, (8) Dasavipaka, (9) Ashtakavarga, (10) Kannajeeva, (11) Rajayoga, (12) Khayoga or Nabhasayoga, (13) Chandrayoga, (14) Dwigrahadi, (15) Pravrajya yogas, (16) Rasiseela, (17) Drishtiphala, (18) Bhava, (19) Asraya, (20) Prakirna, (21) Anishta yoga, (22) Stri Jataka, (23) Nirvana, (24) Nashta Jataka, (25) Drekkanas. I shall now mention a list of the subjects treated of in my work Yatra.

<sup>4-6</sup>(The Chapters contained therein. relate to): (1) Prasnabhedha, (2) Tithibala, (3) Bham Nakshatrabhidhanam, (4) Divasa or Varaphala, (5) Kshana or Muhurta nirdesa, (6) Chandra or Chandrabala, (7) Vilagna Lagna nischaya, (8) Lagna bheda that is the minute divisions of the same such as Hora, Drekkana, Navamsa, etc., (9) the exact positions of the planets with their effects, (10) Apavada, (11) Vimisraka miscellaneous, (12) Tanuvepanam tremor in the body, (13) Guhykapujamam), (14) Swapnam on dreams, (15) Snana Vidhi rules of ablution, (16) Graha Yagna, (17) Nirgama Going out-that is rules to find out the best or auspicious time for starting on a journey, (18) Sakuna Omens; (19) Vivaha Kalam auspicious time for performing a marriage, and (20) Grahakarana the method of calculating the accurate positions of the planets. This last, viz., Grahakarana has been treated of in great detail in my work Panchasiddhantika). Thus, an epitome of the Science of Astrology has been prepared by me in three sections viz., Astronomy, Horoscopy and Samhita. for the benefit of the Students of Astrology.

<sup>7</sup>This entire science of Astrology has been treated of in great detail by (Yavana and) other ancient writers. To correctly bring out the essence contained in their works, I have written these brief works. With the help of these, intelligent students can sharpen their intellects still further. If there should be anything inconsistent in what I have said, I crave the indulgence of my learned readers

<sup>8</sup>If any portion of the text be found to be omitted in the course of its communication by a teacher to his pupil or its transcription by a copyist, the learned reader should leave off all feelings of jealousy and get the same rectified by a reference to persons well-versed in the science. Further if there should be found in the text any errors, imperfections or omissions due to my lapses, the learned readers will kindly make the necessary corrections and supply the needful.

<sup>9</sup>Varahamihira, the son of the Brahmin Adityadasa received his education from his father and learned this science through the blessings of the Sun in the village of Kapittha, and while residing in Avanti-Ujjain wrote this beautiful work after a careful examination of the various works of ancient sages on the subject.

<sup>10</sup>Through the blessings obtained by the worship of the Sun and other planets, of Vasishta and, other sages, and of my father, the preceptor, this scientific work came to be written by me. Salutation to the ancient writers of Astrology.