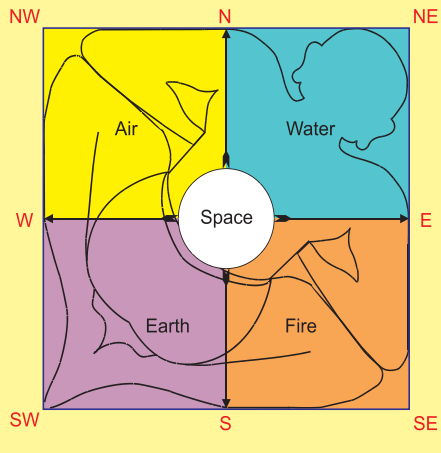




## Vaastu provisions prior to construction - Part II

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Vaastu And The Five Elements

This article of Vaastu Alerts is in continuation of the one carried in the previous month's issue. It is to be read as broadly applying to all built space, not merely residential flats in a modern urban environment. It deals with Vaastu provisions that apply prior to the construction of the house as well as those that apply during the construction process.

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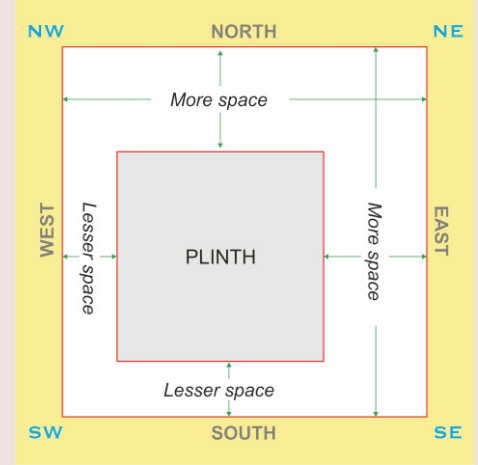
Though there can be any number of reasons in making a man capable or otherwise, the surroundings he lives in, play a vital role in controlling and guiding his thinking process which in turn is the prime reason behind his success.

It is impossible to locate or construct a house which is hundred per cent ideal with respect to Vaastu. Similarly, it is impossible to construct a house which is hundred per cent against the rules of Vaastu. The point to be understood is that, the more the percentage of perfection with respect to Vaastu, the better the results and vice versa.

What is to be expected from Vaastu? What are the aspects on which Vaastu has a bearing?

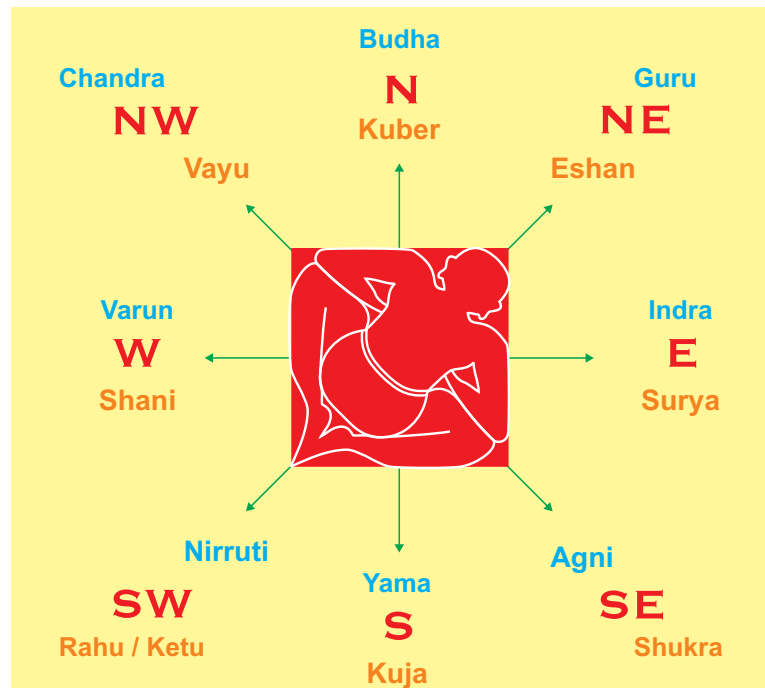
Given below, are time-tested Vaastu directives on which Vaastu has a bearing:-

- Site Selection
- Where and when to commence construction
- Location and extent of open spaces
- Location of a well.
- Laying of the foundation stone
- Orientation of the entrance door
- Number and placement of doors and windows
- Direction and location of stairs
- Position of the Puja room
- Placement of the kitchen
- Suitable location of sleeping or bed rooms
- Position of grains store and cash vault/safe
- Latrines/Wash rooms/Bathrooms
- Desired types of vegetation around the house.



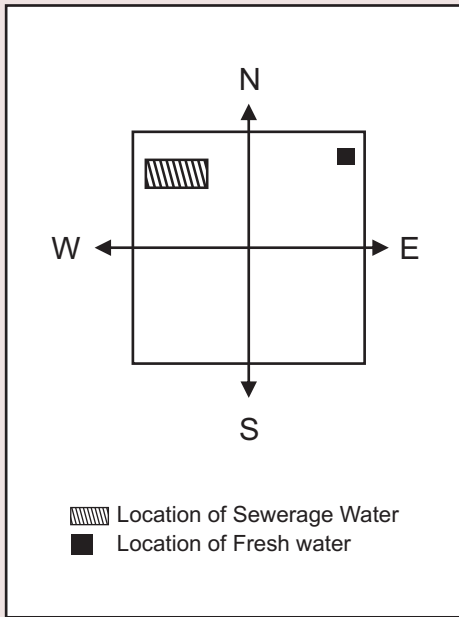
In addition to these, given below are some general guidelines:-

The building should be constructed parallel to the magnetic forces. Northern wall should be exactly to the North and Southern wall exactly to the South. However, when the road is not running parallel to the cardinal directions, the road can be taken as the base and the building is to be planned with respect to the road. The variation between the magnetic direction and the direction of the site should not be more than 12 degrees.





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### Commencement of Building Work

Commencement of the building should be avoided when a member of the family is in mourning due to death of kith or kin, when a child is born in the family, or when a female member of the house is pregnant or has her menses.

### Two Units on the Same Plot

If two units are proposed to be constructed on a single plot, the first one should be on the South-West side.

### Walking Space in Rooms

More walking space should be provided in the rooms in the North and East direction than in the South and West direction.

### Wells

The well should be provided on the North-East of the plot.

If any fountain is to be provided, it should be only on the North or East side of the house. Its distance from the main door should be at least - that of the height of the main door.

The projected wall of the well from the base should be round in shape.

### Post-Construction

After the house-warming ceremony, the house should not be kept vacant for more than three months.

If any portion of the building is to be let out, it

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is preferable that the Southern portion is occupied by the owner.

The ground floor of the house should not be kept unoccupied.

### Conclusion

One important task to be completed before occupying the built premises is to invite each and every person involved in the construction process including all the labourers, engineers, architects, carpenters, painters, electricians etc. to a joint lunch and feed them humbly and sumptuously.

Constructing a house is a task full of variables all of which need special attention from the Vaastu angle. What has been described in this and the previous article are merely broad principles that themselves may have to be modified keeping in mind site conditions. ■

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