Simple prayer on how to remove-cancel out a Pitar Dosham (Generational Curse) on Amavasya (New Moon)

If you reside in Durban, there are plenty of Go-Shalas in and around the Durban area. The Sivananda Ghat in Clare Estate has Cow Dung patties already pre-packed. There is no cost but rather donation based. Kindly donate liberally.

And NO, you can't substitute the cow dung patties with anything else.

It is rather unfortunate that when a priest/Guru is requested to perform a Pitar Dosha puja, the fees itself frightens off people from performing this important prayer.

So, DIPIKA is providing a simple DIY puja that is very cost-effective.

All you need is just 3 cow dung patties, sweet rice (Kheer), 3 tablets of camphor, a small tray, clean sand and matches. View the photos on the next page.

You may perform this as a family, however I prefer you offer the 3 patties with Kheer individually. Facing the South direction, on a saucer or thari (tray), add sand (optional) and place the three cow dung patties on the sand 3cm apart. Then place one camphor tablet on each patty. Light the three tablets. Let the camphor burn the patties nicely. You may add more camphor should you prefer to. Then after the fire has died down add, ½ tsp of Sweet rice (Kheer) to each patty.

Thereafter, pray to Lord Vishnu and Chitragupta* that whatever your ancestors from the male and female lineage sides did sinful in the past to please forgive them and release that burden on yourself and your family. You may mention other things as per your wish.

This is one of the most beneficial Pitar Dosham remedies especially when performed on the last day of Pitar Paksha. It can be done on every monthly new moon as well.

Finally, chant the following mantras which are optional but recommended.

Aum namo bhagavate pitare bhiyo namah x 1

Aum namo bhagavate vaasudevava x 1

Hare Krishna Hare Krishna Krishna Hare Hare Hare Rama Hare Rama Rama Rama Hare Hare x 3.

* Chitragupta is a Vedic deity who serves as the registrar of the dead. He is assigned the task of maintaining the records of the actions of human beings. He is Lord Yamaraja's right-hand man. On Amavasya (New Moon every month) it is highly recommended that you also offer (within your financial means) food, fruits and clothes to Brahmins or the poor. This kind act of charity reduces the negativity of the Pitar Dosha and it also pacifies your Pitars immensely.

The charity and the prayer mention in this short article must be done within daylight hours.

Pitar Dosha (Generational curse) is not the curse of the ancestors, but it is a debt formed as a result of bad deeds done by one's ancestors and this debt has to be paid by the present generation either by taking the punishment decided according to that debt or by doing some specific good Karmic deeds which would help to pay this debt so that the degree of punishment may be decreased.

RESULTS OF PITAR DOSH (Generational curse)

House peace disturbed, no progeny, separation between husband and wife, chronic diseases, accidents, depression, disturbed sleep, bad dreams, problems on the subconscious level and psychological problems, hidden enemies, changes in the profession, heavy unwanted expenses, vigorous travelling, suicidal tendencies, many hurdles in life, can't pay back loans and debts. What follows are the importance and benefits of Amavasya Shraddha prayers according to Garuda Purana and Ramayana:

Garuda Purana:

- 1. Chapter 13, Verse 15-20: Emphasizes Amavasya Shraddha's significance.
- 2. Verse 16: States that Shraddha performed on Amavasya ensures ancestors' peaceful journey.
- 3. Verse 17: Mentions that failure to perform Shraddha leads to ancestral curses.
- 4. Verse 18: Describes benefits of Shraddha, including ancestral blessings and liberation. Ramayana:
- 1. Ayodhya Kanda (Chapter 105, Verse 15-20): Describes Lord Rama's performance of Shraddha for His ancestors.
- 2. Kishkindha Kanda (Chapter 40, Verse 10-15): Mentions the importance of Shraddha for ancestors' peace.

Benefits of New Moon - Amavasya Shraddha prayers:

- 1. Ancestral blessings and protection.
- 2. Forgiveness of sins and mistakes.
- 3. Prosperity and material success.
- 4. Spiritual growth and enlightenment.
- 5. The liberation from ancestral karma and debts.
- 6. Ensures the peaceful journey of one's ancestors.
- 7. Removal of curses and negative energies.
- 8. Attraction of positive energies and blessings.
- 9. Honor ancestors and seek their blessings.
- 10. Maintains family lineage and heritage.
- 11. Bring spiritual growth and liberation.

Fun fact: When one touches cow dung or a Conch (shankha), one automatically becomes cleansed from all impurities.

Amazing, since cow dung is the stool of a cow and a shankha is a sea animal bone.

Generally touching the stool of a bone one automatically becomes impure however touching these two items one is automatically becomes cleansed.

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