

The Practical Values of Vāstu Techniques as depicted in Sanskrit Vāstu Texts

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Techniques on Vāstu have been analyzed in different type of Sanskrit Texts compiled by great sages not only in India but also in Sri Lanka. All the techniques introduced by them are based on five major faculties as The Earth, Water, Fire, Wind and Space. Prominent Sages imposed techniques taking into account of interdependence coherent of those faculties. It is obvious that almost whole the techniques on Vāstu as depicted in Sanskrit texts have scientific value. Those techniques have been practiced by architects in Sri Lanka in different stages of house planning. But Architects who are said to be conversant of this subject do not scrutinize the practical and scientific background of the techniques. Many of them do not have adequate understanding of primary sources that are out rightly composed in Sanskrit. Accordingly, ambiguous opinions are promulgated. Usually, architects who check the defects of plans practice the conventional knowledge that also has been descended through the Sanskrit sources. It is especially to be noted that architects who maintain the traditional knowledge do not prefer to change or update their attitudes and theories. So that people have to face many difficulties from stem to stern of construction process. This research will be discovered the foremost practical value of Vāstu techniques that definitely will be benefitted both hereditary and modern architects.

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