

Sūryasiddhānta

Upon reading the text of the Surya Siddhanta it has become evident that practically each and every verse of the text has some relevance according to the stated guidelines for research of the Pramana Group. Therefore I have chosen to post the entire text, broken into chapters, with both Romanised transliteration of the original texts, as well as English translations.

For each chapter there will be a list at the start that states which of the verses apply to each of the different topic areas outlined in the research guidelines, and a brief description of the content given. Below this list will be the entire chapter of the text with translations placed following the relevant verses.

The Sanskrit **transliteration was obtained from M. Yano's website, and has been prepared from the following texts:**

1. The Sūrya-siddhānta with its commentary the Gūḍhārtha-prakāṣaka, edited by Fits-Edward ùall, Bibliotheca Indica 60.79, Calcutta 1854. (reprinted as volume 25 of Bibliotheca Indica, Biblio Verlag, Osnabruck 1980).
2. Kāṣe saḅskāta granthamālā 144, Caukhamba ṅanskrit ṅaḅsthāna, Fourth edition, 1987.
3. The commentary of Sudhākara 0vivede, ed. by 0r. 0re kāṅeā Candra 0vivede, ṅampurnanand ṅanskrit University, 1987.

Where there is a discrepancy between the three, the alternative reading is stated in brackets at the end of the relevant line, along with a number indicating which of the above texts it is taken from.

The English translation is that given by Reverend Ebenezer Burgess, 1860, Journal of the American Oriental Society. Whilst the translation is not perfect, it is very useful. The only change to his translation is for the first verse of chapter one, which I took the liberty of amending, and I welcome any comments from the learned devotees in this regard.

Your servant,
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Chapter One

Madhyamadhikara - The Mean Places of Planets

1. Structure of the Universe
 - a. Text 14; day and night of gods and demons stated to be mutually opposed to each other
 - b. Texts 25 – 44; movements of the planets described
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 - b. Text 62; position of the prime meridian
 - c. Text 66; the time of the succession of weekdays according to position relative to the prime meridian
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 - b. Text 28 – divisions of a circle in degrees, etc
 - c. Texts 35 – 40; further calculations and measurements of time
 - d. Texts 45 – 50; calculation of the number of days passed since creation
 - e. Texts 51 – 52; calculation of planetary Lord's **of days, months and years**
 - f. Texts 53 – 54; calculating the mean positions of planets, etc
 - g. **Text 55; calculating the year of Jupiter's cycle**
 - h. Texts 57 – 58; mean position of planets, etc at end of previous golden age
 - i. Texts 60 – 61; correcting the mean position of planets for the distance of a place from the prime meridian
 - j. Texts 63 – 65; calculating the distance of a place from the prime meridian
 - k. Text 67; correcting the mean position for the exact time in question relative to midnight

Text & Translation

1.01a acintyavyaktarüpäya nirguëäya guëätmane/

1.01b samastajagadädhäramürtaye brahmaëë namaù//

To him whose form is inconceivable and unmanifested, who is transcendental to material qualities, the source of the three modes of material nature and whose form is the support of the entire creation – to the Supreme Brahman be homage!

1.02a alpävaciñõe tu kâte *mayo nâma mahäsuraù/(1. mayanâma)
1.02b rahasyaà paramaà puëyaà jiji äsur ji änam uttamam//

1.03a vedài gam agryam akhilaà jyotiñäà gatikäraëam/
1.03b ärâdhayan vivasvantaà tapas tepe suduçcaram//

When but little of the Golden Age (krta yuga) was left, a great demon, named Maya, being desirous to know that mysterious, supreme, pure and exalted science, that chief auxiliary of the scriptures, in its entirety – the cause, namely of the motion of the heavenly bodies, performed, in propitiation of the Sun, very severe religious austerities.

1.04a toñitas tapasä tena prëtas tasmai varârthine/
1.04b grahëää caritaà prädän mayäya savitä svayam//

1.05a viditas te *mayä bhävas toñitas tapasä hy aham/ (3. mayäbhävas)
1.05b dadyäà käläçrayaà ji änaà grahëää caritaà mahat//

1.06a na me tejaüsahaù kaçcid äkhyätuà nästi me kñäëaù/
1.06b madaàçaù puruño +ayaà te niuçëñaà kathayiñyati//

Gratified by these austerities, and rendered propitious, the Sun himself delivered unto that Maya, who besought a boon, the system of the planets. The blessed Sun spoke, **“Thine intent is known by me; I am gratified by thine austerities; I will give thee the science upon which time is founded, the grand system of the planets. No one is able to endure my brilliancy; for communication I have no leisure; this person, who is a part of me, shall relate to thee the whole.”**

1.07a ity uktväntardadhe devaù samädiçyääçam ätmanaù/
1.07b sa pumän mayam ähedaà praëataà präi jalisthitam//

1.08a çäëuñvaikamanäù pürvaà yad uktaà ji änam uttamam/
1.08b yuge yuge maharñëää svayam eva vivasvatä//

1.09a çästram ädyaà tad evedaà yat pürvaà präha bhäskaraù/
1.09b yugänää parivartena kälabhedo +atra *kevalaù/(1. kevalam)

Thus having spoken, the god disappeared, having given directions unto the part of himself. This later person thus addressed Maya, as he stood bowed forward, his **hands suppliantly joined before him.** **“Listen with concentrated attention to the great and exalted science, which has been spoken, in each successive age, to the great sages, by the Sun himself. This is that very same original textbook which the Sun of old promulgated: only, be reason of the revolution of the ages, there is here a difference of times.**

1.10a lokänäm antakât kälau kâlo +anyaù kalanätmakaù/
1.10b sa dvidhä sthülasükñmatvän mürtaç çämürta ucyate//

Time is the destroyer of the worlds; another Time has for its nature to bring to pass. This latter, according as it is gross or minute, is called by two names, real (murta) and unreal (amurta).

1.11a prääädiù kathito murtas truöyädya +amürtasaàji akaù/
1.11b ñaòbhiù præëair vinàòe syät tatñäñöyà nàòikà smätà//

1.12a nàòèñäñöyà tu näkñatram ahorätraà prakértitam/
1.12b tatttriàçatà bhaven mäsaù sävano +arkodayais tathä//

1.13a aindavas tithibhis tadvat saàkräntyä saura ucyate/
1.13b mäsaìr dvädaçabhir varñaà divyaà tad aha ucyate//

1.14a suräsuraëäm anyonyam ahorätraà viparyayät/
1.14b tatñäñöiù ñaòguëä divyaà varñam äsuram eva ca//

That which begins with respirations (prana) is called real; that which begins with atoms (truti) is called unreal. Six respirations make a vinadi, sixty of these a nadi; and sixty nadis make a sidereal day and night. Of thirty of these sidereal days is composed a month; a civil (savana) month consists of as many sunrises; a lunar month, of as many lunar days (tithis); a solar (saura) month is determined by the entrance of the Sun into a sign of the zodiac. Twelve months make a year, this is called a day of the gods. The day and night of the gods and of the demons are mutually opposed to one another. Six times sixty of them are a year of the gods, and likewise of the demons.

1.15a tadvädaçasahasräëi caturyugam udähätam/
1.15b süryäbdasaàkhyayä dvitrisägarair ayutähataiù//

1.16a sandhyäsandhyäàçasahitaà viji eyaà taccaturyugam/
1.16b kätädénäà vyavastheyaà dharmapädavyavasthayä//

1.17a yugasya daçamo bhägaç catustridvyekasaì guëaù/
1.17b kramät kätayugädénäà ñäñhähäàçaù sandhyayou svakaù//

Twelve thousand of these divine years are denominated a Quadruple Age (caturyuga); of ten thousand times four hundred and thirty two solar years is composed that Quadruple Age, with its dawn and twilight. The difference of the Golden and the other Ages, as measured by the difference in the number of the feet of virtue in each, is as follows: The tenth part of an Age, multiplied successively by four, three, two, and one, gives the length of the Golden and the other Ages, in order: the sixth part of each belongs to its dawn and twilight.

1.18a yugänäà saptatiù saikà manvantaram ihocyate/
1.18b *kätäbdasaàkhyäs tasyänte sandhiù prokto jalaplavaù//(1. ätäbdasaàkhyä)

1.19a sasandhayas te manavaù kalpe ji eyäs caturdaça/
1.19b kätapramäëaù kalpädaù sandhiù paì cadaçaù smätaù//

1.20a ittham yugasahasreëa bhütasaà hārakārakaù/
1.20b kalpo brāhmam ahaù proktaà çarvaré tasya tävaté//

1.21a paramāyuù çataà tasya tayāhorātrasaà khyayā/
1.21b āyūño +ardhamitaà tasya çeñakalpo +ayam ādimaù//

1.22a kalpād asmāc ca manavaù ñaò vyatētāù sasandhayaù/
1.22b vaivasvatasya ca *manor yugānäà trighano gataù//(1. manoyugānäà)

1.23a añāvià çād yugād asmād yātam etat kātaà yugam/
1.23b ataù kālaà prasaà khyāya saà khyām ekatra piëöayet//

One and seventy Ages are styled here a Patriarchate (manvantara); at its end is said to be a twilight which has the number of years of a Golden Age, and which is a deluge. In an Aeon (kalpa) are reckoned fourteen such Patriarchs (manu) with their twilights; at the commencement of the Aeon is a fifteenth dawn, having the length of a Golden Age. The Aeon is accordingly thus composed. The Aeon, thus composed of a thousand Ages, and which brings about the destruction of all that exists, is styled a day of Brahma; his night is of the same length. His extreme age is a hundred, according to this valuation of a day and a night. The half of his life is past; of the remainder, this is the first Aeon. And of this Aeon, six patriarchs (manu) are past, with their respective twilights; and of the Patriarch Manu son of Vivasvant, twenty-seven Ages are past. Of the present, the twenty eighth Age, this Golden Age is past; from this point, reckoning up the time, one should compute together the whole number.

1.24a graharkñadevadaityādi sājato +asya carācaram/
1.24b kātādrivedā divyābdāù çatagnā vedhaso gataù//

One hundred times four hundred and seventy four divine years passed while the all wise was employed in creating the animate and inanimate creation, plants, stars, gods, demons, and the rest.

1.25a paççād vrajanto +atijavān nakñatraiù satataà grahāù/
1.25b jéyamānās tu lambante tulyam eva svamārgagāù//

1.26a prāggatitvam atas teñāà bhagaëaiù pratyahaà gatiù/
1.26b pariëähavaçād bhinnā tadvaçād bhāni bhui jate//

1.27a çéghragas täny athālpēna kālena mahatālpagaù/
1.27b teñāà tu parivartēna pauñēante bhagaëaù smātaù//

The planets moving westward with exceeding velocity, but constantly beaten by the asterism, fall behind, at a rate precisely equal, proceeding each in its own path. Hence they have an eastward motion. From the number of their revolutions is derived their daily motion, which is different according to the size of their orbits; in proportion to this daily motion they pass through the asterisms. One which moves swiftly passes through them in a short time; one which moves slowly, in a long time. By their movement, the revolution is accounted complete at the end of the asterism Revati.

1.28a vikalänäh kalā nāñöyā tatñāñöyā bhāga ucyaṭe/
1.28b tattriàçatā bhaved räçir bhagaëo dvādaçaiva te//

Sixty seconds (vikala) make a minute (kala); sixty of these, a degree (bhaga); thirty of the latter is composed a sign (rasi); twelve of these are a revolution (bhagana).

1.29a yuge süryaji açukräëäm khacatuñkaradärëaväu/
1.29b kujärkiguruçëghräëäh bhagaëäu pürvayäyinäm//

1.30a indo rasāgnitritrëñusaptabhüdhamärgaëäu/(57753336)
1.30b dasratryañöarasäi kākñilocanāni kujasya tu//(2296832)

1.31a budhaçëghrasya çünyartukhädrityai kanagendavaü/(17937060)
1.31b bâhaspateü khadasräkñivedañöavahnayas tathä//(364220)

1.32a sitaçëghrasya ñäösapatriyamäçvikhabhüdharäu/(7022376)
1.32b çaner bhujai gañäöpai carasavedaniçäkaräu//(146568)

1.33a candroccasyägniçünyäçvivasusarpärëavä yuge/(488203)
1.33b vämaäh päṭasya vasvagniyamäçviçikhidasrakäu//(232238)

1.34a bhänäm añökñivasvadritridvidvyañöaçarendavaü/(1582237828)
1.34b bhodayä bhagaëaiü svaiü svair ünäu svasvodayä yuge//

In an Age (yuga), the revolutions of the Sun, Mercury, and Venus and of the conjunctions (sighra) of Mars, Saturn, and Jupiter, moving eastward, are 4 320 000; of **the Moon, 57 753 336; of Mars, 2 296 832; of Mercury's conjunction (sighra), 17 937 060; of Jupiter, 364 220; of Venus's conjunction (sighra), 7 022 376; of Saturn, 146 568; of the Moon's apsis (ucca), in an Age, 488 203; of its node (pata), in the contrary direction 232 238; of the asterisms, 1 582 237 828.** The number of risings of the asterisms, diminished by the number of the revolutions of each planet respectively, gives the number of risings of the planets in an Age.

1.35a bhavanti çaçino mäsaü süryendubhagaëäntaram/
1.35b ravimäsonitäs te tu çenäu syur adhimäsakäu//

1.36a sävahähäni cändrebhyo dyubhyaü projjhya tithikñayäu/
1.36b udayäd udayaäh bhänor bhümisävanaväsaraü//

1.37a vasudvyañöädrirüpai kasaptädrithayo yuge/(1577917828)
1.37b cändräü khäñöakhakhavyomakhägnikhartuniçäkaräu//(1603000080)

1.38a ñävahnitrihutäçai katithayaç cädhimäsakäu/(1593336)
1.38b tithikñayä yamärthäçvidvyañöavyomaçaräçvinaü//(25082252)

1.39a khacatuñkasamudrñöakupai ca ravimäsakäu/(51840000)
1.39b bhavanti bhodayä bhänubhagaëair unitäu kvahäu//

1.40a adhimäsonarättryärkñacändrasävanaväsaraü/
1.40b ete sahasraguëitäu kalpe syur bhagaëädayaü//

The number of lunar months is the difference between the number of revolutions of the Sun and the Moon. If from it the number of solar months be subtracted, the remainder is the number of intercalary months. Take the civil days from the lunar, the remainder is the number of omitted lunar days (tithiksaya). From rising to rising of the Sun are reckoned terrestrial civil days; of these there are, in an Age, 1 577 917 828; of lunar days, 1 630 000 080; of intercalary months, 1 593 336; of omitted lunar days, 25 082 252; of solar months, 51 840 000. The number of risings of the asterisms, diminished by that of the revolutions of the Sun, gives the number of terrestrial days. The intercalary months, the omitted lunar days, the sidereal, lunar, and civil days – these, multiplied by a thousand, are the number of revolutions, etc, in an Aeon .

1.41a präggateu süryamandasya kalpe saptāñāvahnayaù/(387)

1.41b kaujasya vedakhayamā baudhasyāñārtuvahnayaù/(204, 368)

1.42a khakharandhrāei jaivasya çaukrasyārthagūēñavaù/(900, 535)

1.42b go +agnayaù çanimandasya pātānām atha vāmataù/(39)

1.43a manudasrās tu kaujasya baudhasyāñāñāsāgarāù/ (214, 488)

1.43b kâtādrīcandrā jaivasya trikhāi kâç ca tathā bhāgos //(3. bhāgos tathā)(174, 903)

1.44a çanipātasya bhagaēāu kalpe yamarasartavaù/(662)

1.44b bhagaēāu pūrvam evātra proktāç candroccapātayaù//

The revolutions of the **Sun's apsis (manda), moving eastward, in an Aeon, are 387**; of that of Mars, 204; of that of Mercury, 368; of that of Jupiter, 900; of that of Venus, 535; of the apsis of Saturn, 39. Farther, the revolutions of the nodes, retrograde, are: of that of Mars, 214; of that of Mercury, 488; of that of Jupiter, 174; of that of Venus, 903; of the node of Saturn, the revolutions in an Aeon are 662: the revolutions of the **Moon's apsis and node have been given here already.**

1.45a ñāēmanünāà tu sampēōya kālaà tatsandhibhiù saha/

1.45b kalpādisandhinā sārddhaà vaivasvatamanos tathā//

1.46a yugānām trīghanaà yātaà tathā kātayugaà tv idam/

1.46b projjhya sāñōes tataù kālaà pūrvoktaà divyasaà khyayā//

1.47a süryābdasaà khyayā jī eyāu kātasyānte gatā amé/

1.47b khacatuñkayamādryagniçararandhrāñāçakarāù//(1953720000)

1.48a ata ūrdhvam amé yuktā gatakālābdasaà khyayā/

1.48b māsēkātā yutā māsair madhuçuklādibhir gataiù//

Now add together the time of the six Patriarchs (manu), with their respective twilights, and with the dawn at the commencement of the Aeon (kalpa); farther, of the Patriarch Manu, son of Vivasvant, the twenty seven ages (yuga) that are passed, and likewise the present Golden Age (krita yuga); from their sum subtract the time of creation, already stated in terms of divine years. In solar years, the result is the time elapsed at the end of the Golden Age; namely, 1 953 720 000. To this, add the

number of years of the times since passed, reduce the sum to months, and add the months expired of the current year, beginning with the light half of Caitra.

1.49a pāthaksthās te +adhimāsaghnāu sūryamāsavibhājītāu/

1.49b labdhādhimāsakair yuktā dinékātya dinānvitāu//

1.50a dviñōhās tithikñayābhyastāç cāndravāsarabhājītāu/

1.50b labdhonarātrirahitā laī kāyām ārdharātrikaū//

1.51a sāvano dyugaēāu sūryād dinamāsābdapās tataū/

1.51b saptabhiū kñayitāu çēñāu sūryādyo vāsareçvaraū//

Set the result down in two places; multiply it by the number intercalary months, and divide that by the solar months, and add to the last result the number of intercalary months thus found; reduce the sum to days, and add the days expired of the current month. Set the result down in two places, multiply it by the number of omitted lunar days, and divide by that of lunar days; subtract from the last result the number of omitted lunar days thus obtained: the remainder is, at midnight, on the meridian of **Lanka, the sum of days, in civil reckoning. From this may be found the Lord's of the day, the month, and the year, counting from the Sun.** If the number be divided by seven, the remainder marks the lord of the day, beginning with the Sun.

1.52a māsābdadinasaà khyāptaà dvitrighnaà rūpasaà yutam/

1.52b saptoddhātāvaçēñāu tu viji eyau māsavarñāu//

Divide the same number by the number of days in a month and in a year, multiply the one quotient by two and the other by three, add one to each product, and divide by seven; the remainders indicate the lords of the month and year.

1.53a yathā svabhaganābhyasto dinarāçiū kuvāsaraiū/

1.53b vibhājito madhyagatyā bhagaēādir graho bhavet//

Multiply the sum of days (dinarasi) by the number of revolutions of any planet, and divide by the number of civil days; the result is the position of that planet, in virtue of its mean motion, in revolutions and parts of a revolution.

1.54a evaà svaçēghramandocçā ye proktāu pūrvayāyinaū/

1.54b vilomagatayaū pātās tadvac cakrād viçodhitāu//

Thus also are ascertained the places of the conjunction (sighra) and apsis (mandocça) of each planet, which have been mentioned as moving eastward; and in like manner of the nodes, which have a retrograde motion, subtracting the result from a whole circle.

1.55a dvādaçaghnā guror yātā bhagaēā vartamānakaiū/

1.55b rāçibhiū sahitāu çuddhāu ñāñyā syur vijayādayaū//

Multiply by 12 the past revolutions of Jupiter, add the signs of the current revolution, **and divide by sixty; the remainder the year of Jupiter's cycle, counting from Vijaya.**

1.56a vistareëaitad uditaà saà kñepäd vyävahärikam/
1.56b madhyamānayanaà kāryaà grahāēm īñōato yugāt//

1.57a asmin kātayugasyānte sarve madhyagatā grahāu/
1.57b *vinā tu pātamandocān meñādaū tulyatām itāu (3. vinendu)//

1.58a makarādaū çaçāi koccaà tatpātas tu tulādigaū/
1.58b niraàçatvam gatāç cānye noktās te mandacāriēaū//

The processes which have thus been stated in full detail, are practically applied in an abridged form. The calculation of the mean place of the planets may be made from any epoch (yuga) that may be fixed upon. Now, at the end of the Golden Age (kṛita yuga), all the planets, by their mean motion; excepting, however, their nodes and apsides (mandocca) – **are in conjunction in the first of Aries. The Moon's apsis (ucca) is in the first of Capricorn, and its node is in the first of Libra; and the rest,** which have been stated above to have a slow motion – their position cannot be expressed in whole signs.

1.59a yojanāni çatāny añōau bhūkarēo dviguēāni tu/
1.59b tadvargato daçaguēāt padaà bhūparidhir bhavet//

1.60a lambajyāghnas trijēvāptaū sphuōo bhūparidhiū svakaū/
1.60b tena deçāntarābhyastā grahabhuktir vibhājītā//

Twice eight hundred yojanas are the diameter of the Earth: the square root of ten **times the square of that is the Earth's circumference. This, multiplied by the sine of** the co-latitude (lambajya) of any place, and divided by radius (trijiva), is the corrected (sphuta) circumference of the Earth at that place. Multiply the daily motion of a planet by the distance in longitude (desantara) of any place, and divide by its corrected circumference.

1.61a kalādi tat phalaà prācyāà grahebhyaū pariçodhayet/
1.61b rekhāpratécēsaàsthāne prakñipet syuū svadeçajā//

The quotient, in minutes, subtract from the mean position of the planet as found, if the place be east of the prime meridian (rekha); add, if **it be west; the result is the planet's** mean position at the given place.

1.62a rākñasālayadevaukaūçailayor madhyasūtragāu/
1.62b rohētakam avantē ca yathā sannihitāà saraū//

Situated upon the line which passes through the haunt of the demons (rakshasa) and the mountain which is the seat of the gods, are Rohitaka and Avanti, as also the adjacent lake.

1.63a atētyonmēlanād indoū paççāt tadgaēitāgatāt/(2. atētyonmēlanād indor dāksiddhir gaēitāgatāt/
1.63b yadā bhavet tadā prācyāà svasthānaà madhyato bhavet//

1.64a aprāpya ca bhavet paçcād evaà väpi nimélanät/
1.64b taylor antaranäðebhir hanyäd bhüparidhià sphuäm//

1.65a ñañöyā vibhajya labdhais tu yojanaiù präg athāparaiù/
1.65b svadeçau paridhau ji eyau kuryäd deçāntaraà hi taiù//

When, in a total eclipse of the Moon, the emergence (unmilana) takes place after the calculated time for its occurrence, then the place of the observer is to the east of the central meridian. When it takes place before the calculated time, his place is to the west: the same thing may be ascertained likewise from the immersion (nimilana). Multiply by the difference of the two times in nadis the corrected circumference of the Earth at the place of observation, and divide by sixty, the result, in yojanas, indicates the distance of the observer from the meridian, to the east or to the west, upon his own parallel: and by means of that is made the correction for difference of longitude.

1.66a vārapravāttiù prägdeçe kñapārdhe +abhyadhike bhavet/
1.66b taddeçāntaranäðebhiù paçcād üne vinirdiçet//

The succession of the week day (vara) takes place, to the east of the meridian, at a time after midnight equal to the difference in nadis; to the west of the meridian, at a corresponding time before midnight.

1.67a iññanäðéguëā bhuktiù ñañöyā bhaktā kalādikam/
1.67b gate çodhyaà yutaà gamye kätvä tätkäliko bhavet//

Multiply the mean daily motion of a planet by the number of nadis of the time fixed upon, and divide by sixty: subtract the quotient from the place of the planet, if the time be before midnight; add, if it be after: the result is its place at a given time.

1.68a bhacakraliptäçetyaà çāà paramaà dakñiëottaram/
1.68b vikñipyate svapātena svakrāntyantād anuñëaguù//

1.69a tannavāà çāà dviguëitaà jévas triguëitaà kujaù/
1.69b budhaçukrārkaçāù pätair vikñipyante caturguëam//

1.70a evam trighanarandhrārkarasārkaçā daçāhataù/
1.70b candradénāà kramād uktā madhyavikeñepalīptikāù//

The moon is, by its node, caused to deviate from the limit of its declination (kranti), northward and southward, to a distance, when greatest, of an eightieth part of the minutes of a circle; Jupiter, to the ninth part of that multiplied by two; Mars, to the same amount multiplied by three; Mercury, Venus, and Saturn are by their nodes caused to deviate to the same amount multiplied by four. So also, twenty-seven, nine, twelve, six, twelve, and twelve, multiplied by ten, give the number of minutes of mean latitude (vikshepa) of the moon and the rest, in their order.