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## Here's a kundali for your home

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"The Chinese are great at marketing, but all their theories don't suit us," says astro-architect Neeta Sinha, who has done up a number of celebrity homes and offices. The lady talks to HP about the new science, the need for it and shares a few tips with our readers too:

### Star attraction

Hundred per cent vastu compliant houses also give trouble to their owners. Feng Shui on the other hand doesn't work as well in India as it would in Chinese homes. The two countries are different in terms of geography. In China, the mountains are in the South and the water in the North, whereas it's the other way round in India. So, I decided not to concentrate on these factors and to develop something that's more modern.

When I started studying places, I realised that the only major difference in several buildings was their names. Then, I started making a Kundali for the place, like we do for an individual. Slowly, I found the answers to all my clients' queries and problems. The idea is to strike a balance between the person and

the cosmos. That's what my business is all about.

### Starry effect

I take into account the status of the property owner, the name and occupation of the property owner, number of people residing in the house, etc. I prepare my horoscope on this basic information and then work on the solutions. In commercial projects, I note down the name of the company and its owner, nature of their business, location, etc. For example, Venus is good for pharmaceuticals, wine, alcohol, computers, and beauty product industries. Likewise, I segregate companies based on planetary influences.

### Keep it simple

I think what works in my favour is that I

don't suggest too many changes. Like a Feng Shui or Vastu, one doesn't have to break or deconstruct their entire house. The changes I suggest are very minimal. I usually suggest name changes, some plants in balcony, doormat change, colour change, wind chimes, etc. You can bring about these changes in a short time and little money, even as less as ₹100. When I started my business, I never had to work with ideas that didn't eat up an individual's usable space. As it is, Mumbai suffers from a acute space crunch. Moreover, the country is going through an inflationary phase, so no one can actually spend money doing and redoing his home. My work is more of a passion than a profession for me.

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### Celeb list

- ▶ In 1998, I went to Amitabh Bachchan's bungalow that was called Mansa. I suggested him to keep a name that started with the alphabet J. So, they changed it to Jalsa
- ▶ I suggested some changes in Karan Johar's Eden Rock residence in 2000 when he was shifting there. He made me sit with his interior decorator and made sure that every thing I suggested was incorporated
- ▶ I suggested the name Charcoal Project to Suzanne Roshan for her new home decor store.

### TIPS

- ▶ Avoid constructing shelves or small cabinets over your bed. They don't let you sleep properly
- ▶ Always keep the entrance of your home clean, colourful and well lit
- ▶ Keep green plants in and around your house
- ▶ Don't paint the walls of your home black as the colour generates negativity
- ▶ It is nice to have mirrors at your home, especially in the bedroom. They reflect light and positive vibes
- ▶ Analyse your own house. If there's any corner which is giving you a perennial problem no matter what you do there, then it's your negative zone. Incorporate more of yellow and orange in that space
- ▶ If your family always feels tired and there are less or no social activities at your home, then it's not a good sign. Place a money plant at the entrance to bring in some positivity
- ▶ The area around your door should always be clean and free from litter
- ▶ Ringing a bell in the morning or evening or even placing wind chimes is very important to keep the energy flowing. Similarly, lighting agarbattis or scented candles is a good way to rejuvenate your home
- ▶ While sleeping, your feet shouldn't face the South, as it's considered an inauspicious direction. The North-South direction is in a no-energy zone for your body. This is why dead bodies are placed in that direction
- ▶ If possible keep the entrance of your house towards North-East or East as the entire universe starts from the East