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# LIFESTYLE MODALITIES AS A PREVENTIVE MEASURE IN LIFESTYLE DISOREDERS

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#### **ABSTRACT**

Lifestyle disorder is burning worldwide. The increasing cases of lifestyle disorders in world reflects the messed up lifestyle of the majority of people. It is challenging to name all the lifestyle disorders with *Ayurveda* terminology, but it does not indicate there is no any treatment and preventive procedures for such disorders. *Ayurveda* purely depends upon the three building blocks i.e. *Tridosha*. Factors causing the vitiation of *Tridosha* leads to worsen the pathology of disease. So we can correlate the *lakshanas* and *dosha* involvement in such type of diseases. In normal state, *Tridosha* irrespective of opposite quality coexists with each other rather than contradicting each other. When it comes to the application of preventive modalities certain basic principles like assessment of prakruti, agni, vyavsaya,

familial history and habits will helps to frame out the specific and mandatory type of preventive principles to curb the impact of lifestyle disorders. So *Nidan Parivarjan* and adaptation of lifestyle modalities with respect to *Tridosha Sankalpana* helps to tackle all the triggering factors like stress, sleep deprivation and ill habits like smoking, alcohol and tobacco consumption etc. which intern prevent the occurrence of lifestyle disorders by preventing and promoting the highest state of health. Here compilation of lifestyle modalities according to their *Prakruti*, an every individual have to be adopt has been glanced.

**KEYWORDS:** Ayurveda, Lifestyle modalities, Tridosha Prakruti.

#### INTRODUCTION

Lifestyle disorder is burning worldwide. The increasing cases of lifestyle disorders in world reflect the messed up lifestyle of the majority of people. It is challenging to name all the lifestyle disorders with *Ayurveda* terminology, but it does not indicate there is no any treatment and preventive procedures for such disorders.

The incidence of lifestyle diseases like hypertension, diabetes mellitus, dyslipidemia, and overweight/obesity associated with cardiovascular diseases is high on the rise nowadays.<sup>[1]</sup> As *Ayurveda* is recognized as foremost life science and describes ways to prevent and manage lifestyle disorders, the world is being attracted towards its potential. So duty of every *Ayurvedician* is to enhance to adopt the basic principles of *Ayurveda* which are basically based on lifestyle changes in every individual to overcome this life threatening Life Style Disorders.

The term *Ayurveda* means science of life which has prescribed healthy lifestyle. *Vagbhatacharya* has explained this lifestyle in his ancient compendia *Ashtang Hrudaya and Sangraha* by a separate chapter called *Dinacharya*. Though *Ayurveda* is ancient health science it has capacity to deal with health problems arising in this new era such as Life style disorders. *Dincharya* explained in *Ayurveda* was a part of culture in India. But westernization of our culture is giving rise to life style disorders like diabetes, cardio vascular elements, High cholesterol, Hypertension, stroke, depression. <sup>[2]</sup> These diseases were explained in *Ayurveda* compendia's but in this era they have raised to such a level that 25% of Indians may die of these lifestyle diseases before they are 70 of age. <sup>[3]</sup>

Ayurveda purely depends upon the three building blocks i.e. *Tridosha*. Factors causing the vitiation of *Tridosha* lead to worsen the pathology of disease. So we can correlate the *lakshanas* and *dosha* involvement in such type of diseases.

Table: Most prone Prakruti for common life style disorders. [4]

Sr. No.	Lifestyle Disorders	Most Prone Prakruti
1.	Atherosclerosis	Kapha & Vata
2.	Alzheimer's disease	Kapha & Vata
3.	Types of cancers	Kapha
4.	Asthama	Kapha
5.	Liver cirrhosis	Vata & Pitta
6.	Type-2 Diabetes	Kapha & Vata
7.	Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease	Kapha

8.	Heart disease	Kapha & Vata
9.	Metabolic syndrome	Kapha & Pitta
10.	Chronic renal failure	Kapha & Vata
11.	Osteoporosis	Vata & Pitta
12.	Obesity	Kapha
13.	Depression	Vata & Pitta

If we review the factors involved in *Ayurveda* pathogenesis of these disorders they are mainly vitiated *Kapha dosha*, *dushita rasadhatu*, *agnidushti* and *amapradosh*. Mainly diseases due to *sanchaya pradhana* or *santarpanajanya ayastha*. [5]

When it comes to the application of preventive modalities certain basic principles like assessment of *prakruti*, *agni*, *vyavsaya*, familial history and habits will helps to frame out the specific and mandatory type of preventive principles to curb the impact of lifestyle disorders. So *Nidan Parivarjan* and adaptation of lifestyle modalities with respect to *Tridosha Sankalpana* helps to tackle all the triggering factors like stress, sleep deprivation and ill habits like smoking, alcohol and tobacco consumption etc. which intern prevent the occurrence of lifestyle disorders by preventing and promoting the highest state of health.

Ayurveda provides better solution in the forms of proper dietary management, lifestyle advises, *Panchakarma* like detoxification and bio-purification procedures, medicaments, and rejuvenation therapies.

Here in this study, compilation of lifestyle modalities according to their *Prakruti*, an every individual should have to be adopt has been glanced. [6][7][8][9][10]

#### Vata dominant Prakruti DINCHARYA

Samyak Nidra (preferably 7-8 hours)

Bramha Muhurta Jagaran (after having sufficient sleep person has to awake at 5.00-6.00 am). [11]

Mala Mutra Visarjan<sup>[12]</sup>

Ushapana- Ushna jalapan near about 500 ml

Danta Dhavana- Kasta dominant in Madhura rasa<sup>[13]</sup>

Kavala/Gandush- Dugdha/Ushna Jala<sup>[14]</sup> Prati Marsha Nasya-Tila taila<sup>[15]</sup> Chankramana-walking

Abhyanga- Shir, Shravan and Padaabhyanga<sup>[16]</sup> Utsadan- Once in a week if time permits<sup>[17]</sup>

Ushna Jala Snan- Sugandhita Jala Snan<sup>[18]</sup> Sugandha Dravya Lepana

Shweta, ambara varna Vastra dharan Kalavat and Matravat Bhojana

Food dominant in attributes like *Madhura*, *Amla*, *Lavan*, *Snigdha*, *Ushna*, and *Guru* should be consumed.

#### **RITUCHARYA**

Ritu anusar ahar and vihar

Preferably adopt Bastikarma in Pravrut ritu.

# Preventive Measures adopted by Vataja Prakruti

Physical activities like indulging in *Adhik Vyayam* (excess physical work/exercise), *Vyavay Adhikya* (excess sexual act), *Ratri Jagaran* (night awakening), *bharvahan* (lifting heavy weight), *adhika plavana* (excessive swimming), *Abhighat* (accidents), *Vayu sevana* (exposure to heavy wind) etc should be avoided.

Avoid heavy pscychological activities like *adhik Adhyayan* (indulging excess cognitive work), mental urges like *Shoka, Kama, Irshya, Bhaya* etc.

#### Pitta Dominant Prakruti DINCHARYA

Samyak Nidra (preferably 7-8 hours)

Bramha Muhurta Jagaran (after having sufficient sleep person has to awake at 5.00-6.00 am)

Mala Mutra Visarjan

Ushapana- Parshuta jalapan near about 500 ml

Danta Dhavana- Kasta dominant in Tikta, Kashay, Madura rasa<sup>[19]</sup> Kavala/Gandush-Dugdha/Madhu<sup>[20]</sup>

Prati Marsha Nasya- Tila taila<sup>[21]</sup> Vyayama- Ardha Shakti Anusar<sup>[22]</sup>

Abhyanga- Shir, Shravan and Padaabhyanga<sup>[23]</sup> Utsadan- Once in a week if time permits<sup>[24]</sup>

Snan- According with season, preferably shita jala snan<sup>[25]</sup> Sugandha Dravya Lepana

Shweta, ambara varna Vastra dharan Kalavat and Matravat Bhojana

Food dominant in attributes like Kashay, Tikta, Madhura, Sheet should be consumed.

#### Ritucharya

Ritu anusar ahar and vihar

Preferably adopt Virechan and Raktamokshan Karma in Sharad Ritu<sup>[26]</sup> Tikta ghrut sevan in Sharad ritu.

Avoid ill habits like consumption of alcohol and Drug Abuse

Avoid the habits of Adhik upavasa and Anashan

Avoid Physical activities like indulging in *Adhika Vyayam* (excess physical work/exercise),

Ayasa (exertion), Adhik Vyavay (excess sexual act), Atapa Sevana etc.

Should avoid certain activities or mental urges like Krodha, Shoka and Bhaya.

# Kapha Dominant Prakruti Dincharya

Samyak Nidra (preferably 7-8 hours)

Bramha Muhurta Jagaran (after having sufficient sleep person has to awake at 5.00-6.00 am)

Mala Mutra Visarjan<sup>[27]</sup>

Ushapana- Ushna Jalapan/ Shunthi Jalapan/ Ajavayan Jalapan Danta Dhavana- Kasta dominant in Katu, Tikta, Kashay rasa<sup>[28]</sup> Kavala/Gandush- Madhu/ Gomutra/ Ushna Jalapan<sup>[29]</sup>

Prati Marsha Nasya- Anu Taila/ Katu Taila. [30]

#### RITUCHARYA

Ritu anusar ahar and vihar

Preferably adopt Tikshna Vamana, Tikshna Nasya and Udwartan Karma in Vasant. [31]

## Preventive Measures Adopted by Kaphaja Prakruti

Avoid the ill habits like consumption of alcohol and drug abuse Avoid the habit of *Samashana* and *Adhyashana*.

Avoid physical activities like indulging in *Avyayama* (not doing any kind of physical activites/leading sedentary lifestyle), *Diwaswap* (day sleep), *Alasya* (laziness) etc.

Individual has to avoid certain psychological activities or mental urges like calm and least bothering.

#### **CONCLUSION**

The holistic approach of *Ayurveda*, treating the patient as a whole, meaning intervention targeted toward complete physical, psychological, and spiritual well-being makes this science a wonderful option in lifestyle disorders. Lifestyle itself is responsible for to overcome the lifestyle disorder. Since *Ayurveda* purely depends upon the three building blocks i.e. *Tridosha*. Factors causing the vitiation of *Tridosha* leads to worsen the pathology of disease. So we can correlate the *lakshanas* and *dosha* involvement in such type of diseases.

Concept of *Tridosha* in terms of *Prakruta* and *Vaikruta Dosha* are related to lifestyle disorder. *Samyaka, Ahar, Vihar & Vichar* according to *Doshaja Prakriti* and *Guna* is helpful for personalized prevention and medication and thus to combat lifestyle disorders. Habitualisation of these life style modalities according to the *Prakruti* of an every individual in their daily chores which are simplest than any oral medication can yield best preventive step to inhibit the life style disorders being healthy and wealthy as well.

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