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FROM MR TO DR AND BEYOND



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Dr Raviraj Ahirrao is a man with a difference. Starting his career as an ordinary medical representative (MR), he has taken a doctorate in *vaastu shashtra*. Even though he might not be directly associated with the health of citizens, he is certainly in an indirect manner through his *shashtra*.

Dr Ahirrao is a well-known authority on the subject for the past several years. He runs a TV show on *vaastu shashtra* in 'Home Sweet Home', a Marathi programme on Zee TV for the last two years. The doctor advises his viewers about the benefits of the

shashtra in his programmes and lakhs of real estate buyers have taken benefits from the show.

Dr Ahirrao, once a resident of Ulhasnagar is now based in Thane. Basically a science graduate, he began his career as a MR working in Ulhasnagar. Right from the start of his professional career, Dr Ahirrao had the vision of attaining distinct professional recognition. He started a pharmaceutical agency in the process.

In doing so Dr Ahirrao studied books on *vaastu shashtra* and developed keen interest in the field. His interest in the science went from strength to strength from 2000 onwards and he ultimately

got a PhD degree in the field. Since then he has taken up the field as a *vaastu* expert and extended benefits of his new career to more than 25000 property deals so far.

Dr Ahirrao firmly believes that *vaastu shashtra* is a branch of ancient Indian science and is related to the *stapathya veda* as *Nirad Samhita*. The *stapathya veda* is in turn a chapter of the *Atharva Veda*. The doctor believes that the *samhita* is also related to *Ramayana* and *Mahabharata*. In the period of *Mahabharata*, the then architects *Vishvakarma* and *Mayasur* had discovered the *shashtra* with a scientific study of building and it had proved beneficiary to its users.

The *vaastu* expert cites a *shloka* from *samhita*: 'One who respects *vaastu* right away gets health, progeny, property and other useful gains.' To support his claims of a better life through the *shashtra*, he believes that *vaastu* is purely an Indian science but no one has tried to get it international patents. Like *basmati* and *turmeric* patents, he is trying to get international patent for the *shashtra*. He has formed the *Vaastu Shashtra Research Foundation Institute* and is fighting for the patent recognition.