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### ROLE OF YOGIC MANAGEMENT IN PARKINSON'S DISEASE (KAMPVATA)

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#### Abstract

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Yoga is a way of life. Yoga is an old method of exercise that has developed over thousands of years in Indian society and has been practicing ever since. Yoga plays a great role in developing a sense of wellbeing in the person and produces a harmony between physical and mental levels. Parkinson's is a common neurodegenerative disorder mainly caused by progressive damage to the brain. The condition shows symptoms of spontaneous shaking of body parts decelerating movement and stiffness in muscles. People suffering from Parkinson's also experience depression and anxiety. They experience loss of balance, sleep and memory. Mostly people suffering from this disorder often end up being teased and stigmatized. In certain cases this results in aggravating the problem. Classical yoga provides an alternative method to manage Parkinson's symptoms. *Yoga Pranayama*, *Yogendra Aasanas* and *Kriyas* with regular training showed enhanced motor scores and developed gait parameters. Thus, yoga enhances muscles mobility, balance and lower extremity functions and stimulates nerve cells for better functioning. In this way, yoga practice develops physical and psychological stamina. Thus, help in improving the concentration and removes fear from the mind of patient.

#### INTRODUCTION

Parkinson's disease (PD) is a progressive neurodegenerative disorder, prevalent in 1% of all individuals over the age of 60 years.<sup>1</sup> Although considered a

multi neurotransmitter system disorder, the cardinal PD pathology is damage to the dopamine producing cells in the substantia nigra. Dopamine acts as a messenger between the parts of the brain and nervous

system that help control and co-ordinate body movements. If these nerve cells die or become damaged, the amount of dopamine in the brain is reduced so the part of the brain controlling movement cannot work as well as normal, causing movements to become slow and abnormal. The loss of nerve cells is a slow process. The symptoms of Parkinson's disease usually only start to develop when around 80% of the nerve cells in the substantia nigra have been lost.

➤ Symptoms of Parkinson's disease, can be

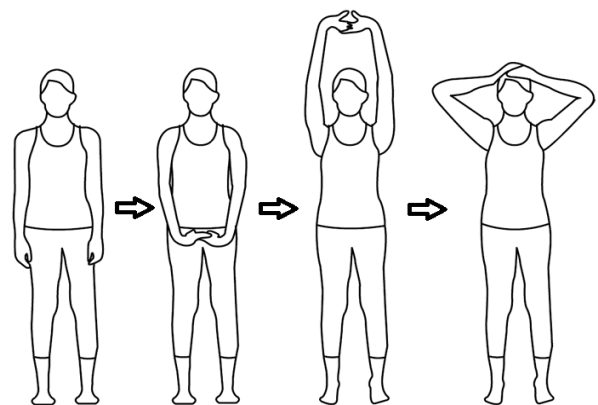
- Motor symptoms, meaning that they relate to movement. They are:- limb rigidity ,bradykinesia, or slow movement ,Tremor ,balance and gait problems. Muscles cramps and dystonia, Falls and dizziness.
- Non-motor symptoms, which do not relate to movement. They are :- Fatiuge, Hallucination, Sleep problems, Memory problems, Depression. Anxiety, Cognitive challenges, Felling tounge tied.

Yoga is a way of life. Classical Yoga provides an alternative method to manage *Parkinson's* symptoms. Several types of research confirmed that the individualised progress in Yoga postures with regular training showed

enhanced motor scores and developed gait parameters. Yoga enhances muscle mobility, balance and lower-extremity functions. **Yoga therapy for Parkinson's** management can be very recuperative and rejuvenating. Some Asanas are following :-

### TADASANA

- This standing pose can help improve balance and posture. It helps strengthen the thighs, knees, and ankles.
- It can also help ease sciatic pain.
- Muscles worked :-
  1. Quadriceps
  2. Obliques
  3. Rectus abdominis
  4. Transversus abdominis



**Fig 1 Tadasan**

### VRIKSHASANA

- This is a classic balancing pose.
- It helps strengthen your ankles, legs, and spine while stretching your thighs, chest, and shoulders. This can help improve your

balance while also relieving sciatic pain.

• Muscles worked :-

1. Rectus and transversus abdominis
2. Adductor longus
3. Iliacus
4. Quadriceps
5. Hamstrings



Fig 2 Vrikshasana

**VIRABHADRASANA**

- This is a classic standing pose. It helps strengthen your legs and ankles while increasing your stamina.
- It's a great way to stretch your chest, shoulders, and groin.
- Muscles worked :-
  1. Quadriceps
  2. Thigh adductors
  3. Deltoids



Fig no. 3

**UTTANASANA**

- This calming posture helps strengthen your legs, knees, and hips.
- Because of its meditative nature, this pose is also thought to help ease stress and anxiety.
- Muscles worked :-
  1. Spinal muscles
  2. Piriformis
  3. Hamstrings
  4. Gastrocnemius
  5. Gracilis

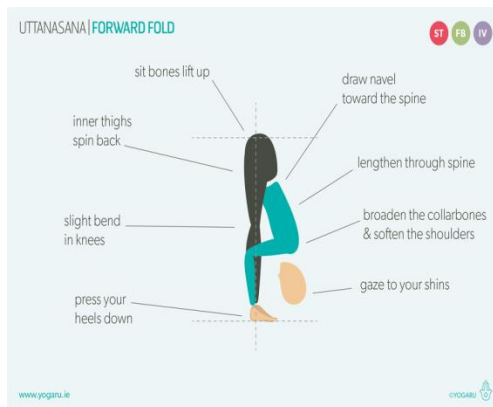


Fig 4

## SALABHASANA

- This gentle backbend can help strengthen your upper body, spine, and thighs.
- It stimulates the abdominal organs, which can help ease indigestion, flatulence, and constipation.
- Muscles worked :-
  1. Trapezius
  2. Erector spinae
  3. Gluteus maximus
  4. Triceps



Fig no. 4 Salabhasana

## BALASANA

- This restorative forward bend is an excellent resting pose. It gently stretches the hips, thighs, and ankles to help relieve tension and pain in the back.
- It also helps calm the mind, relieving stress and fatigue.
- Muscles worked :-
  1. Spinal extensors

2. Hamstrings
3. Tibialis anterior
4. Trapezius



Fig no. 5 Balasana

## Anulom-Vilom

- A breathing exercise that requires you to breathe in through one nostril, and breathe out through the other.
- It helps in managing symptoms of Parkinson's.
- Breathing exercises calm down the mind and the body and make it easier to keep anxiety and depression at bay.
- Taking deep breaths also makes the blood flow better and may help in keeping tremors away.

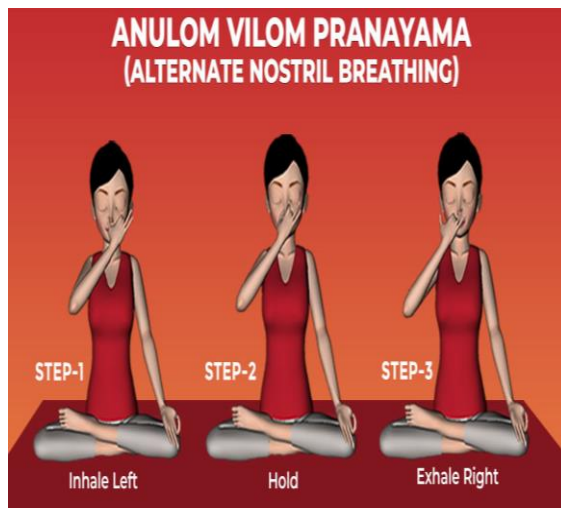


Fig No. 6 Anulom Vilom

### The Benefit Of Yoga Therapy For Parkinson's Include-

- Increase motor functions, muscle flexibility and increased range of motion
- The circulatory system is benefits
- Enhances positive emotions
- Improves alertness of mind and memory
- Have better balance
- Awareness of their gait and less prone to shuffling their feet
- Relief from symptoms such as rigidity and fatigue
- Improvement in quality of life
- Decreasing the fear of falling and risk for injury
- Cultivating the ability to engage better in everyday tasks
- Increasing the opportunity to socialise and interact with others

### Discussion

- Specific improvement in the sit-to-stand ability following yoga indicated an improved functional mobility and lower-limb strength.<sup>2</sup>
- Improvements in balance confidence that accompany, so yoga also contributed to reduced fear of falling in PD.<sup>3</sup>
- Utilization of more muscle fibers, especially during Vrikshasanas, produces more force per unit of mass; this causes peripheral changes and improved muscular endurance so gains in the lower extremity strength and improved postural stability and gait in PD.
- Since rigidity is a common clinical manifestation in PD so an improved upper and lower body flexibility have seen by doing Yogasanas.<sup>4</sup>

### CONCLUSION

- Yoga may represent a particularly promising nonpharmacologic therapy for PD.
- By doing these yogaasanas improving mobility, balance, and lower-extremity function, so they also reduced the fear of falling and declines in strength and flexibility related to inactivity.<sup>5</sup>
- Upper-body flexibility supported postural stability and improved function during daily living activities

- These Yoga Aasanas have demonstrated improvements in stress, mood, fatigue, sleep, pain, mobility, problem solving and memory.
- The additional psychosocial benefits associated with yoga are also important to disease management and to the QoL in persons with PD, as they are often not addressed with conventional dopaminergic therapy. Boulgarides, et al., in a pilot study identified the outcome measures responsive to change in individuals with PD after an 8-week adaptive yoga program and found out depression subscale of the Hospital Anxiety and Depression Scale (HADS), 30-Second Chair Stand (TSCS), Single-Leg Balance test (SLB), and the right and left Sitand-Reach Test (SRT) changed as outcome measures. They concluded that adaptive yoga can be very helpful in patients with PD.<sup>6</sup>
- Shin, et al., used a selfadministered, cross-sectional survey and found out 2/3rd of participants used complementary health approaches like yoga, massage etc. either for general health measures or controlling quality of life in patients with PD.<sup>7</sup>
- Recently a case-control study reported that participants who completed a twice-weekly 12-week yoga intervention reported high levels of

enjoyment. Yoga as an intervention showed improvement in balance in people with PD.<sup>8</sup>

- Walter, et al., examined changes in nonmotor symptoms among individuals with PD following an 8-week yoga intervention. They found out yoga to be an efficacious intervention for improving nonmotor symptoms as well as HRQOL<sup>9,10,11</sup>.

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