



## ***EDITOR'S REMARKS***

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*In this Lunar Eclipse edition of the COMET we have a wealth of special features for you to explore. On May 29, a total Lunar Eclipse will be visible in the half of the world flanking the Pacific Ocean. When the shadow of the Earth covers the Full Moon, the Vedic astrologers speak of the pair of Shadow Planets, Rahu and Ketu.*

*ACVA instructor Karina Weil has contributed an article on what happens when Rahu is activated as the ruler of the Rahu Vimshottari Mahadasha period. Our ACVA students first learn about eclipses, Rahu and Ketu in courses 101 and 102, but it takes considerably more time before they learn to work out the full significance of changes in the birth chart over time through the Vimshottari Dashas (course 108). But it is well worth the effort, as this timing system has an astonishing power to reveal how events might unfold.*

*In Kamala Harris, Durga Rising, I have given a capsule biography of United States Vice President Kamala Harris, who has Rahu in her rising sign, and is going through Rahu Mahadasha AND recently experienced a transit of Rahu across her Ascendant. Our 104, 105 and 106 students are in the process of learning how the chart elements are put together to tell the story in the birth chart.*

*We send our heartfelt prayers and hope to people around the world who are struggling with the COVID epidemic and other crises. In the past year many in the Jyotish community have realized how important it will be for the welfare of the world to pass on this sacred tradition. Therefore we will be continuing in our mission to offer Jyotish training in the tradition of Parashara. Please directed questions about how to enroll to our Registrar at [registrar@acvaonline.org](mailto:registrar@acvaonline.org).*

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