

# A CASE STUDY ON CHITTODWEGA

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ABSTRACT: Anxiety is arguably an emotion that predates the evolution of man. Its ubiquity in humans, and its presence in a range of anxiety disorders, makes it an important clinical focus. GAD (Generalised anxiety disorder) is the most common psychiatric disoder characterised by Repeated, Persistant and unrealistic worry about life-events but it is different from normal feelings of anxiousness. The prevelance rate of Anxiety disorder varies according to the different age group as per the current DSM-5 criteria, only phobia and GAD are included under anxiety disorders, with weighted prevalence values of 4.2% and 5.8% respectively. For this avilabile Psychiatric drugs are having various adverse effect and produces the dependency of the drugs, for this integrated apporach is very essential, Ayurveda medicines are safe, cost effective hence here an case of chittodwega is successfully treated with Shamana medicine.

KEYWORDS: Genenaralised anxiety disorder

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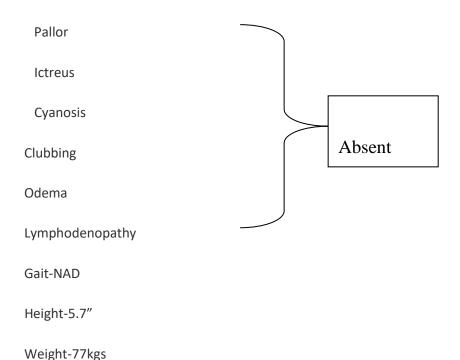
**INTRODUCTION**: Generalized anxiety disorder is one of the most common mental disorders. Up to 20% of adults are affected by anxiety disorders each year. Generalized anxiety disorder produces fear, worry, and a constant feeling of being overwhelmed. Generalized anxiety disorder is characterized by persistent, excessive, and unrealistic worry about everyday things. This worry could be multifocal such as finance, family, health, and the future. It is excessive, difficult to control, and is often accompanied by many non-specific psychological and physical symptoms. Excessive worry is

the central feature of generalized anxiety disorder. Ayurveda understands these disorders under the umbrella of chittodwega. The word chittodwega<sup>1</sup> is mentioned by Caraka in Vimanasthana while explanining the Manovikara<sup>2</sup>(Minor psychritric disorders). The word meaning of chittodwega refers to Anxious state of the mind.which is produced due to vitiation of Raja and Tama. In addition to Prana, Udana, Vyana Vayu; Sadhaka Pitta; and Tarpaka Kapha are also provocated factors in it.

CASE STUDY: A 30 years male patient not a K/C/O DM/HTN was apprently normal 3months back. When he came to our hospital Kayachikitsa OPD(OPD No.2010444) on 14<sup>th</sup> September 2020 with the complaints of palpitation since 3months which is associated with tremors in the both upper limb, electric shock like sensation in both the upper and lower limb, burning sensation in the chest, sour belching and reduced sleep, for all these complaints he consulted near my doctor but pt.didnt get complete relief later consulted to our hospital OPD.

PAST HISTORY: Pt. not suffered from any chronic illness like DM/HTN and Thyroid disorders.

#### **ON EXAMINATION:** General examination



Vital signs: Temp.98.6<sup>0 F</sup>

Pulse-78/min

Respiratoryrate-20cycles/min

Bp-130/80mm of Hg

### **Mental status Examination:**

MENTALSTATUS	BEFORE TREATMENT	AFTER TREATMENT
Appearance	III	Good
Behavior	Pre-occupied	Co-operative
Speech	Minimal	Adequate
Mood	Depressed	Normal
Thought process	Flight of ideas	Normal
Thought content	Phobias	Normal
Cognition	Normal	Normal
Insight/Judgment	Moderate	Normal

## **Treatment protocol:**

1 <sup>st</sup> PHASE(14-09-2020 to 24-09-2020)	2 <sup>nd</sup> PHASE(25-09-2020 to 24-10-2020)	
1.Tab.Kamadugharasa with mukta 1-0-1 Before	1.Tab.Kamadugharasa with mukta 1-0-1 Before	
food	food	
2.Tab.Medhya vati 1-0-1 After food	2.Pittashekara rasa 1-0-1 Before food	
3.Saraswatharista 15ml-0-15ml After food	3.Saraswatharista 15ml-0-15ml After food	
4.Aviphattikara choorna 1tsf-0-1tsf with hot	4.Aviphattikara choorna 1tsf-0-1tsf with hot	
water	water	

# Assesment of the patient:

SL.NO	SIGN & SYMPTOM	BEFORE TREATMENT	AFTER TREATMENT
1.	Palpitation	++	
2.	Tremors	++	
3.	Electric shock like sensation	++	
4.	Burning sensation in the chest	++	
5.	Sourbelching	++	
6.	Reduced sleep	++	+

Discussion: Acc. To ayurveda understanding of vyadhi is mainly based on Laxana, Udbhavasthana and Adhisthana considering this acc. To Sushruta<sup>3</sup> vyadhi is mainly classified into two types i.e. Shareera and Manoadhisthana. At present because of stress and changes in lifestyle many people suffering from minor to major psychatric disorder. For disorders like Chittodwega(Anxiety disorder) many herbomineral preparations are explained in the classics, among these many preparations are used based on the involvement of Dosha and Dushya, Here an case presented with Dushti of Pittavata and Manas hence the selection of the drugs as mentioned above. Rationality behind these drugs Kamadugharasa<sup>4</sup> is mainly having Mukta bhasma,muktasukti bhasma,shanka,pravala and varatika bhasma which mainly acts on manovikara and pittahara, Medhya vati<sup>5</sup> is Shankapushpi, Bramhi, Guduchi, Jatamamsi which are having medhya, Sanjyaprabhodana and Nidrajana properities which are very much useful to calm the mind of the individual. Saraswatharista<sup>6</sup> is mainly having Bramhi panchanga as main ingradient which is having the property of Rasayana and chittasantosha. Aviphattikara choorna<sup>7</sup> is the herbal preparion mainly used in annavaha srotovikara here patient even presented with disturbance of annavaha srotas which mainly reduces the pittadosha, vatanulomana and rechana. Hence patient needs the combination of different formulations in cases of Chittodwega and even other pschytriac disorder too.

**Conclusion:** In this case study justifies the sucessful management of Chittodwega through simple, cost effective and easly avilable. By this case study, we can conclude that in all cases of chittodwega (Generalised anxiety disorder) if patient seeks Ayurveda treatment as early as possible the percentage of recovery is more. And we can prevent the drug dependency and adverse effect of anxiolytics and sedatives. As this is a single case study so its very difficult to conclude the effect of

Ayurvedic treatment, but along with shamana medicine its very essential to plan panchakarma for better result. But this case study might be considered as base for future research protocol on the management of chittodwega through Shamanoushadi.

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