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AYURVEDIC MANAGEMENT OF ARTAVADUSHTI RESEMBLING PCOS: A CASE REPORT

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Abstract

Polycystic Ovarian Syndrome (PCOS) is a multifactorial endocrine disorder linked to metabolic, reproductive, and psychological disturban ces. This case study presents a 32-year-old female with chronic symptoms including severe dysmenorrhea, urethral itching, leucorrhea, and urinary discomfort. In Ayurveda, PCOS can be correlated with Kapha-Vata dominant Tridoshaja Vyadhi involving Artava Dushti and Pushpaghni Jatharini. A detailed Ayurvedic evaluation was conducted using Ashtasthana Pareeksha, and a customized treatment protocol comprising Ayurvedic-mineral formulations, Ahar, and Vihar was administered. Over a 6-month period, the patient showed progressive symptomatic relief and improvement in overall quality of life. The case highlights the effectiveness of individualized Ayurvedic interventions in managing PCOS by targeting the underlying doshas imbalances, strotorodha, and dhatu dushti. Early diagnosis, personalized manageme nt, and holistic care demonstrate promising outcomes in chronic PCOS cases.

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Introduction:-

Polycystic Ovary Syndrome (PCOS) is a complex endocrine disorder that affects women of reproductive age and is recognized as one of the most common causes of menstrual irregularities and infertility. It is characterized by a combination of clinical and biochemical features including hyperandrogenism, chronic anovulation, and polycystic ovarian morphology. The exact etiology remains multifactorial and poorly understood, involving genetic, hormonal, metabolic, and environmental components. The global prevalence of PCOS is estimated to range between 8% and 13%, depending on the diagnostic criteria used, such as the Rotterdam criteria, which is most widely accepted in clinical practice. Women with PCOS often present with a spectrum of symptoms, including irregular menstrual cycles, acne, hirsutism, weight gain, and subfertility. Beyond reproductive concerns, PCOS is also associated with significant long-term health risks such as insulin resistance, type 2 diabetes mellitus, dyslipidemia, metabolic

syndrome, and cardiovascular disease.^[3]The pathophysiology of PCOS involves insulin resistance and hyperinsulinemia, which increase ovarian androgen production and disrupt follicular development, leading to anovulation and polycystic ovaries. Lifestyle changes are key in management, with medications like oral contraceptives, insulin sensitizers, and anti-androgens used to control symptoms and metabolic risks.^[4] Due to its heterogeneous nature and the lifelong implications of its complications, PCOS requires a comprehensive, individualized, and multidisciplinary approach to management. Early diagnosis and appropriate intervention are crucial not only to alleviate reproductive and dermatological symptoms but also to prevent long-term metabolic and cardiovascular consequences.^[1]

In Ayurveda, although PCOS is not described as a single disease entity, its symptomatology and pathogenesis can be correlated with various conditions such as Artava Dushti, Yoni Vyapad, and Granthi formation, especially Pushpaghni Jatharini—a condition where menstruation is obstructed or absent due to vitiated doshas. PCOS is primarily considered a Kapha-Vata predominant Tridoshaja disorder. The Kapha dosha, due to its properties of heaviness (guru), coldness (sheeta), and unctuousness (snigdha), leads to strotorodha (obstruction of bodily channels), particularly in the Artavavah Srotas (channels responsible for menstrual flow). This obstruction, combined with Vata dushti (irregular movement and dryness), disturbs normal ovulation and leads to the formation of ovarian cysts or granthi (nodular swellings). Involvement of Pitta dosha may be seen in associated symptoms such as acne, inflammation, and metabolic disturbances. From a Dhatvagni (tissue metabolism) perspective, impaired function of Rasa and Rakta dhatu (plasma and blood tissues) affects the formation of Artava dhatu (menstrual tissue), causing irregular cycles and infertility. Modern studies align with this Ayurvedic understanding, showing that insulin resistance and metabolic imbalance—frequent findings in PCOS—have parallels in Medo dhatu dushti (fat tissue pathology) and Ama accumulation (metabolic toxins) in Ayurveda. Medo disease pathogenesis) of PCOS is illustrated in Figure 1, while the specific Samprapti Ghatakas (components of disease pathogenesis) are detailed in Figure 2.

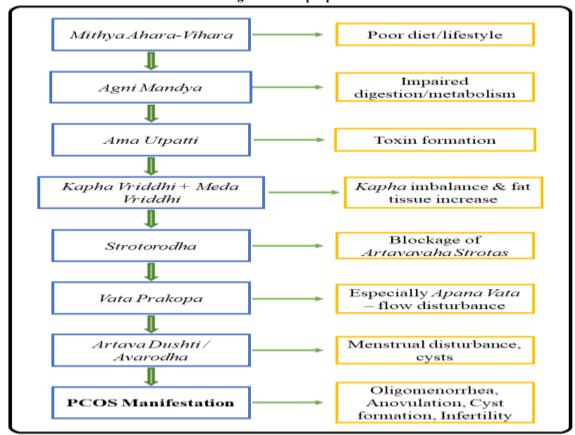


Figure 1: Samprapti of PCOS

Figure 2: Samprapti Ghataka of PCOS

Ghataka	Involvement	
Dosha	<i>Kapha</i> ↑, <i>Vata</i> ↑, <i>Pitta</i> (sometimes)	
Dushya (body tissue)	Ras (plasma), Rakta (blood), Meda (adipose	
Dusnya (body tissue)	tissue), Artava (menstrual system)	
Strotas (channels)	Artavavah (reproductive pathway), Rasvah	
	(Circulatory system), Manovah (Psychological)	
Agni (digestive fire impairment)	Jatharagni and Dhatvagni Mandya (impaired	
	digestive fire)	
Ama (toxins involved)	Present in chronic cases	
Udbhava Sthana (site of origin)	Amashay (Stomach)	
Sanchara Sthana (disease pathway)	Rasvah (circulatory system) and Artavavah	
	Strotas (respiratory channel)	
Adhirth was (cite of linear monifort)	Garbhashay (uterus) and Artava-vah Strotas	
Adhisthana (site of disease manifest)	(reproductive pathway)	

Objective:-

To evaluate the efficacy of personalized Ayurvedic interventions in managing PCOS symptoms by addressing dosha imbalances, improving Artavavaha Srotas function, and enhancing overall quality of life.

Case Report:-

A 32-year-old female, previously diagnosed with Polycystic Ovarian Syndrome (PCOS), presented to Jeena Sikho Lifecare Limited Clinic, Bardhawan, West Bengal, on July 5, 2024, with multiple chronic complaints. She reported:

- Itching around urethral area, rated 5+ on the itching scale, for the past 4 months
- Lower abdominal pain, rated 5+ on pain scale, persisting for 2 months
- Burning sensation during micturition for 3 months
- Severe dysmenorrhea, rated 5 + on the pain scale
- Associated symptoms during menstruation included increased body temperature and a sensation of heaviness in the lower abdomen
- Additionally, she experienced leucorrhoea (white vaginal discharge) and increased urinary frequency Ultrasound report dated July 05, 2024, indicates that her kidneys, bladder, and uterus are all normal in size, shape,

and structure. Both ovaries are also normal in size and show well-defined unilocular anechoic cysts—one in the right ovary (1.89 x 1.70 cm) and one in the left ovary (1.81 x 1.54 cm)—both likely to be functional cysts, which are common and usually harmless. No fluid is seen in the pouch of Douglas. Overall, all scanned abdominal organs appear sonologically normal.

An initial clinical assessment was performed, with symptom progression and response to treatment documented during each follow-up which is referred in Table 1 for sequential findings. A comprehensive Ashtasthana Pareeksha (eight-fold Ayurvedic examination) was conducted and is summarized in Table 2. Based on the cumulative clinical findings, a personalized Ayurvedic treatment plan was instituted. This included Ayurvedic – mineral formulations, Ahar (dietary regulations), and Vihar (lifestyle interventions) tailored to address the patient's prakriti (constitution), doshas imbalance, and presenting complaints. The patient demonstrated consistent and significant clinical improvement across all follow-up consultations, both in subjective symptom relief and overall well-being.

Table 1	· Initial	Assessment a	t each	consultations

Date	Blood Pressure	Weight
05-07-2024	90/50 mm Hg	54 Kg
13-08-2024	100/60 mm Hg	54 Kg
20-09-2024	90/80 mm Hg	50 Kg
23-10-2024	100/60 mm Hg	49 Kg
27-11-2024	100/60 mm Hg	50 Kg
06-01-2024	100/60 mm Hg	53 Kg

Table 2: Ashtasthana Pareeksha findings

Parameter	Findings	
Nadi (Pulse)	Pittaj Vataj	
Mala (Stool)	Avikrit (Normal)	
Mutra (Urine)	Mutrapravritti Atiyoga (Increased urine frequency)	
Jiwha (Tongue)	Niram (Normal)	
Shabda (Voice)	Spasht (Clear)	
Sparsha (Touch)	Anusheetoshna (Normal)	
Akriti (Face)	Madhyam (Normal)	
Drikk (Eyes)	Prakrit (Normal)	

Treatment Plan:-

The treatment approach has been systematically outlined in Figure 3, depicting the structured framework of the Chikitsa Krama.

Chikitsa Krama (Treatment Plan) Considering -1. Clinical assessment 2. Vitals 3. Ashtasthana Pareeksha Shaman Chikitsa Vihar (Lifestyle Ahar (Diet) (Ayurvedic medications) recommendations)

Figure 3: Chikitsa Krama of this case

Shaman Chikitsa:-

Based on the clinical evaluation, a detailed and patient-specific medication protocol was devised, as outlined in Table 3.

Table 3: Ayurvedic medicines prescribed

Date of Consults	Medicine	Dosage with Anupana (Medium)	
05-07-2024,	Granthi Har Vati	2 Tab BD (Adhobhakta with Koshna Jala)*	
13-08-2024, 20-09-2024,	She Capsule	1 Cap BD (Adhobhakta with Koshna Jala)	
23-10-2024, 27-11-2024 and	Chander Vati	1 Tab BD (Adhobhakta with Koshna Jala)	
06-01-2025	Ladies tonic	15 ml BD (Adhobhakta with Sama Matra Koshna Jala)**	
* Adhobhakta with Koshna Jala - After Meal with Lukewarm Water			
** Adhobhakta with Sama Matra Koshna Jala - After Meal with Equal Amount of Lukewarm Water			

Ahar:-

The patient was advised to follow an Ayurvedic and Zero Grain Diet, which involves the elimination of all grains to support targeted therapeutic goals and address specific health concerns. [8,9]

Apathya (Avoid):

- Wheat, rice, oats, barley, and all other grain based foods
- Packed food
- Refined food
- Diary food/ Animal food
- Coffee and Tea
- Never eat after 8 PM

Hydration:-

- Alkaline water 3-4 times a day (1 litre)
- Herbal Tea (32 herbs tea)
- Living water
- Coconut water, Coconut milk and Almond milk

Special Instructions:-

- Brisk walking 30 min with barefoot
- Sit in sunlight for 1 hour
- One day fasting is recommended
- Cook food in a steel cookware using only mustard oil.
- Sit in Vajrasana after every meal

Meal Structure:-

Early Morning Breakfast Morning Snacks (5:45 AM) (09:00-10:00 AM) (11:00 AM) Red Juice (Beetroot, Carrot, Tomato & 4 Crushed tulsi leaves + 1 gm ginger + 2 Plate I: Seasonal fruits (4-5 types) + spoons of honey + hot water = on empty stomach / Herbal Tea Pomegranate) - 150 ml tumeric water + Mudga yusha · Plate I = 10 X Patient's Weight · Soaked Almonds (4-5) **Evening Snacks** (12:30-02:00 PM) (04:00 - 04:20 PM) (06:15-07:30 PM) Green Juice (Spinach, Femugreek, · Plate 1: Steamed Vegetable Salad · Plate 1: Steamed Vegetable Salad Bathua, Amaranth, Mint, Coriander, Curry leaves & betel leaves) - 100 - 150 Plate 2: Zero Grain Meal or Zero Grain · Plate 2: Green Vegetable Soup / Zero Gram Chappati Chappati Soaked Almonds (4-5) · Plate 1 = 5 X Patient's Weight Plate 1 = 5 X Patient's Weight

Zero Grain Chappati (With Pulses and Seeds)

Ingredients

- 20 gm Dhuli Masoor (Washed and Dried)
- · 10 gm Chia Seeds (Washed and Dried)
- · 20 gm dry Coconut Powder (Unwashed and Dried)

Procedure

Combine all ingredients as directed and blend into a fine flour. Add lukewarm water to form a dough and let it rest for 1–2 hours. Prepare two chappatis and serve hot.

Note: The dough may feel slightly oily due to seeds and coconut powder.

Green Vegetable Soup:

- Spinach, Peas, Carrots, Cabbage, Capsicum, Ghee, Zucchimi, Cucumber, Green Gram, etc. (10 grams each)
- · Add Ginger, Garlic and Black Salt
- · Grind & boil for a minute
- · Add lemon as per taste & serve

Herbal Tea

Gauzaban (Borago officinalis), Kulanjan (Alpīnia galanga), Badi Elaichi (Amomum subulatum), Laung (Syzygium aromaticum), Badiiyan Khtayi (Illicium verum), Banafsha (Viola odorata), Jufa (Hyssopus officinalis), Ashwagandha (Withania sommifera), Mulethi (Glycyrrhiza glabra), Punarnava (Boerhavia diffusa), Brahmi (Bacopa monnieri), Chitrak (Plumbago zeylanica), Marich (Piper nigrum), Adoosa (Justicia adhatoda / Adhatoda vasica), Saunf (Foeniculum vulgare), Shankh Pushpi (Convolvulus pluricaulis), Arjun (Terminalia arjuna), Tulsi (Ocimum sanctum), Motha (Cyperus rotundus), Senaye (Cassia angustifolia), Sounth (Zingiber officinale, dried ginger), Majeeth (Rubia cordifolia), Sarfoka (Tephrosia purpurea), Dalchini (Cinnamomum zeylanicum), Gulab (Rosa damascena), Green Tea (Camellia sinensis), Giloy (Tinospora cordifolia), Tej Patta (Cinnamomum tamala), Lal Chandan (Pterocarpus santalinus), White Chandan (Santalum album) and Pudina (Mentha piperita)

Vihar [10]

- a) Meditation: The patient was advised to practise Meditation daily for 30 minutes atleast.
- b) Yoga: Perform Sukshm Pranayam and Sukhasan for 40 minutes daily
- c) Sleep: Ensure 6-8 hours of uninterrupted and deep sleep.
- d) Walking: Brisk walk for 30 minutes in barefoot.
- e) **Daily Routine**: The patient was also advised to follow a structured routine.

Observation and Result:-

During the course of treatment, the patient demonstrated steady clinical improvement. Quality of life assessments reflected significant enhancement in both physical and psychological well-being. Symptomatic relief was evident within six months, with marked reduction in complaints such as Severe dysmenorrhea and itching. A comparison between pre- and post – treatment symptoms is presented in Table 4. Ultrasound findings demonstrate a gradual and significant improvement over the course of treatment. A comparative analysis of ultrasound reports at various stages of the treatment is presented in Table 5.

Table 4: Comparative analysis of symptoms pre- and post-treatment

Symptoms before treatment	Symptoms after treatment	
Itching in the urethral area - Score: 5 [11]	Relieved - Score: 0 [11]	
Lower abdominal pain - Score: 5+ [12]	Relieved - Score: 0 [12]	
Severe dysmenorrhea - Score: 5 +	Relieved - Score: 0	
Leucorrhea	Relieved	
Increased urinary frequency	Relieved	

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Table 5: Comparative analysis of ultrasound reports

Discussion:-

In this case study, a 32-year-old female patient with a history of Polycystic Ovary Syndrome (PCOS) / Artava Dushti was presented to Jeena Sikho Lifecare Limited Clinic for a complete Ayurvedic treatment. The patient presented with severe symptoms, including itching in the urethral area, lower abdominal pain, burning sensation during micturition, severe dysmenorrhea, associated symptoms during menstruation included increased body temperature and a sensation of heaviness in the lower abdomen, additionally, she experienced leucorrhoea (white vaginal discharge) and increased urinary frequency.

A comprehensive assessment—encompassing vital parameters, findings from Ashtasthana Pareeksha, and imaging reports—guided the formulation of a personalized treatment plan. This integrative protocol included Nidan Parivarjan (elimination of causative factors), dietary and lifestyle modifications, and Shaman Chikitsa (palliative therapeutic interventions).

Nidan Parivarjan: As part of the Ayurvedic and Zero Grain Diet protocol, the patient was advised to avoid all grains and grain-based products, along with packaged, refined, dairy, and animal-derived foods. Caffeinated beverages such as coffee and tea were also restricted. Additionally, late-night eating—specifically food intake after 8 PM—was discouraged. These dietary and lifestyle modifications aim to eliminate contributing factors and support the therapeutic objectives of treatment.

Samprapti (Pathogenesis): Samprapti of this case is shown in figure 1. This flowchart outlines the Ayurvedic pathogenesis of Polycystic Ovarian Syndrome (PCOS). The condition originates from Mithya Ahara-Vihara (improper diet and lifestyle), which leads to Agni Mandya (impaired digestion) and subsequent Ama Utpatti (toxin accumulation). These toxins contribute to Kapha Vriddhi and Meda Vriddhi (increased Kapha and fat tissue), resulting in Strotorodha—blockage of the Artavavaha Srotas (reproductive channels). This obstruction disturbs Apana Vata, impairing its flow and culminating in Artava Dushti or Avarodha (menstrual irregularities and cyst formation). Clinically, this manifests as oligomenorrhea, anovulation, cystic ovaries, and infertility, reflecting the systemic derangement of doshas and strotas involved in PCOS.

Ahar: The diet presents a structured, therapeutic meal plan designed for metabolic and hormonal balance, particularly suitable for conditions like PCOS. Grains, especially refined and gluten-containing ones (e.g., wheat, rice, oats, barley), can aggravate Kapha and Meda dhatu, leading to Ama (toxins) formation and hormonal imbalance. Eliminating grains helps regulate insulin resistance, weight gain, and improves Artava (menstrual) function. [13]

Vihar (lifestyle recommendations): The patient was advised to adopt targeted lifestyle modifications aimed at supporting holistic well-being. This included the daily practice of meditation to alleviate stress and enhance mental clarity. A structured yoga regimen was prescribed to improve physical flexibility, promote relaxation, and support emotional balance. Furthermore, the importance of obtaining 6–8 hours of uninterrupted, restorative sleep and maintaining a consistent daily routine was emphasized to reinforce overall health and lifestyle discipline.

Chikitsa (treatment): A carefully structured Shaman Chikitsa (palliative treatment) protocol was recommended by the physician. A comprehensive overview of the Ayurvedic formulations used in this case is provided in Table 6. Dalchini and Pippali are among the principal herbs commonly incorporated in Ayurvedic formulations. Their

therapeutic efficacy is determined by their Ras Panchak – a comprehensive analysis of taste (Rasa), qualities (Guna), potency (Virya), post-digestive effect (Vipaka), and specific action (Prabhava) – as follows. $^{[14]}$

Table 6: Detailed description of medicines prescribed

Medicines	Ingredients	Therapeutic Effects
Granthi Har Vati	Kanchnar (Bauhinia variegata), Gugulu (Commiphora wightii), Amalaki (Phyllanthus emblica), Vibhitaki (Terminalia bellirica), Haritaki (Terminalia chebula), Shunthi (Zingiber officinale), Krishna Marich (Piper nigrum), Pippali (Piper longum), Varuna (Crateva religiosa), Sukshamala, Dalchini (Cinnamomum verum) and Tamal Patar (Cinnamomum tamala)	Galaganda (Supports thyroid disfunction), Granthi (enlarged lymphnodes), Stana Granthi (breast lump), Artava Dushti (PCOD), Medoroga (weight loss fibroids) Garbhashayarbuda (endometriosis and obesity)
She Capsule	Ashwagandha (Withania somnifera), Ulatkambal (Cissampelos pareira), Ashok (Saraca asoca), Supari (Areca catechu), Bhumi Amlaki (Phyllanthus niruri), Harmal (Peganum harmala), Lodhra (Symplocos racemosa), Shatpushpa (Anethum sowa), Vansh (Bambusa vulgaris), Ashwath (Ficus religiosa), Jiyapota (Leucas aspera), Shivlingi (Bryonia laciniosa), Bala (Sida cordifolia), Aluva (Alocasia indica), Naag Kesar (Mesua ferrea), Jiwanti (Leptadenia reticulata).	Stri Swasthya Vardhak (Supports women's health), Rasadhatu -Hormone Samyak Niyamak (balances hormones), Sukha-Swasthya Pradayak (promotes wellness), Manonmaya Shaman (reduces stress), and Vishranti Vardhak (enhances relaxation).
Chander Vati Tablet	Kapoor Kachri (Hedychium spicatum), Vacha (Acorus calamus), Motha (Cyperus rotundus), Kalmegh (Andrographis paniculata), Guduchi (Tinospora cordifolia), Devdaru (Cedrus deodara), Desi Haridra (Curcuma longa), Atees (Aconitum heterophyllum), Daru Haridra (Berberis aristata), Pippali-Mool (Piper longum root), Chitrak (Plumbago zeylanica), Dhanyaka (Coriandrum sativum), Haritaki (Terminalia chebula), Vibhitaki (Terminalia bellirica), Amlaki (Phyllanthus emblica), Chavya (Piper chaba), Vaya vidang (Embelia ribes), Pippali (Piper longum), Krishna Marich (Piper nigrum), Shunthi (Zingiber officinale dried ginger), Gaj Pippali (Scindapsus officinalis), Swarn Makshik Bhasam (Gold iron pyrite ash - Ayurvedic preparation), Sajji Kshar (Potassium carbonate - traditional alkali preparation), Saindhava Lavan (Rock salt), Krishna Lavan (Black salt), Kshudra Ela (Elettaria cardamomum - small cardamom), Dalchini (Cinnamomum verum), Tejpatra (Cinnamomum tamala), Danti (Baliospermum montanum), Nishoth (Operculina turpethum), Vanslochan (Bamboo silica), Loh Bhasam (Iron ash - Ayurvedic preparation), Shilajeet (Asphaltum punjabinum), Guggulu (Commiphora	Mutrala (diuretic), Ojovardhaka (enhances vitality), Deepan (increases appetite), Pachan (aids digestion) and Agnivardhaka (improves digestive fire)
Ladies tonic	Aloe Vera (Aloe barbadensis miller), Shunthi (Zingiber officinale), Krishna Marich (Piper nigrum), Lavang (Syzygium aromaticum), Dalchini (Cinnamomum verum), Tej Patra (Cinnamomum tamala), Brihat Ela (Amomum subulatum), Naag Kesar (Crocus sativus), Chitrak (Plumbago zeylanica), Pippli-mool (Piper longum), Balbrihn (Convolvulus pluricaulis), Gaj Pippali (Ficus lacor), Chavya (Piper chaba), Hriber, Dhania (Coriandrum sativum), Kutaki (Cissus quadrangularis), Supari (Areca catechu), Nagarmotha (Cyperus rotundus), Haritaki (Terminalia chebula), Vibhitaki (Terminalia bellirica), Amalaki (Phyllanthus emblica), Rasna (Pluchea lanceolata), Devdaru (Cedrus deodara), Haridra (Curcuma longa), Daru Haridra (Berberis aristata), Munakka (Vitis vinifera), Danti Mool (Baliospermum montanum), Bala (Sida cordifolia), Atibala (Abutilon indicum), Konchbeej (Mucuna pruriens), Gokshur (Tribulus terrestris), Shunthi (Zingiber officinale), Hina Patra (Lawsonia inermis), Akarkara (Anacyclus pyrethrum), Uttannan (Anethum graveolens), Punarnava (Boerhavia diffusa), Shalparni (Desmodium gangeticum), Gambhari (Gmelina arborea), Ashok Chaal (Saraca asoca), Visar (Alstonia scholaris), Ronuka (Pongamia pinnata), Kakad Sinhi (Eclipta alba), Meda, Mahameda, Patha (Acorus calamus), Patla (Eruca sativa), Chitrak (Plumbago zeylanica), Sariva (Hemidesmus indicus), Kalajeera (Carum carvi), Nishoth (Cissampelos pareira), Ridhi, Sidhi, Jeevak (Glycyrrhiza glabra), Kakoli (Gloriosa superba), Ksheer Kakol (Gloriosa superba), Priyanuv, Khair Chaal (Acacia catechu), Soi (Tragopogon porrifolius), Yashtimadhu (Glycyrrhiza glabra), Madhu, Ikshu (Saccharum officianarum) Mahua Flower (Madhuca longifolia).	Yoni Vyapadahar (alleviates gynecological disorders), Raktashodhan (purifies the blood), Artava Shuddhi (regulates and purifies menstruation), Vata-Pitta Shaman (Balances Vata and Pitta doshas), Balya (strengthening or tonic) and Prakriti Samya (restores natural balance)

Future Research Aspects:-

PCOS is a complex hormonal and metabolic disorder. Ayurveda offers holistic management through dosha balancing, Panchakarma, and Rasayana therapies. However, scientific validation and integration with modern medicine are also essential. Key future research areas include:

• Standardization of Ayurvedic Diagnostic Criteria

Future research in Ayurveda should focus on developing validated diagnostic markers for PCOS based on concepts like Artava Dushti, Kapha-Meda Dushti, Avarana, and Agnimandya. This will help align Ayurvedic symptomatology with modern clinical features such as hyperandrogenism, anovulation, and polycystic ovaries, enabling more integrative and precise treatment approaches.^[15]

• Role of Panchakarma in PCOS Management

Research should explore the effects of Virechana, Basti, and Nasya therapies in regulating hormones, managing weight, and improving menstrual health. Emphasis should be placed on understanding their potential epigenetic and endocrine benefits in chronic reproductive and metabolic conditions.^[16]

• Ayurgenomics & Personalized Medicine

Should aim to link Prakriti (Ayurvedic body constitution) with genetic and metabolic patterns in PCOS, helping to create personalized treatment approaches by integrating Ayurvedic principles with modern genomic insights. [17]

• Integrative Nutraceuticals & Diet Research

Future research should focus on validating Ayurvedic diets such as the Zero Grain Diet and Pathya-Apathya, along with functional herbs like Shatapushpa, Jeeraka, and Methika. These studies should assess their impact on gut health, insulin sensitivity, and hormonal balance in PCOS. [18]

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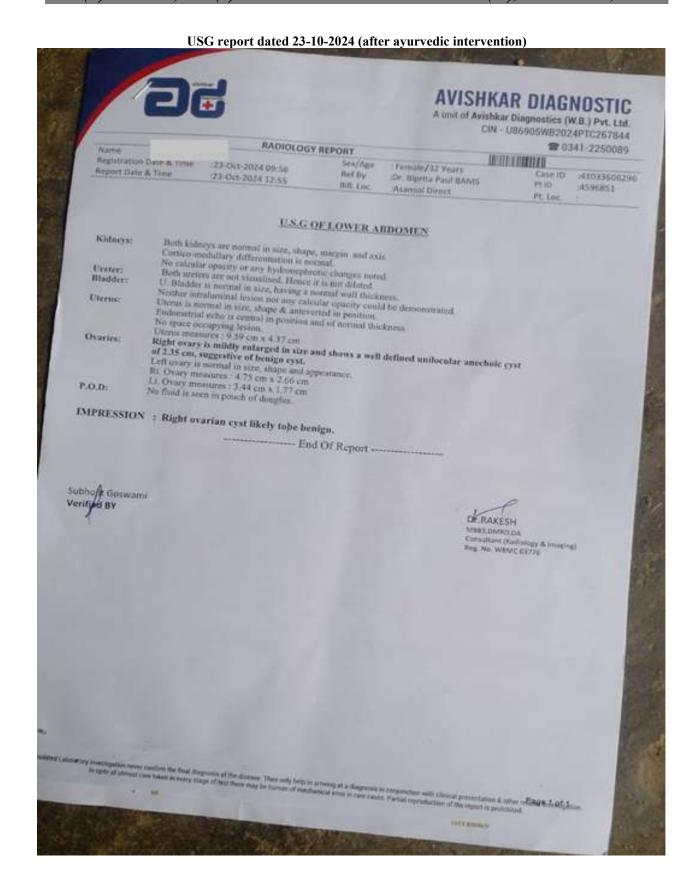
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Conclusion:-

The present case illustrates the efficacy of a comprehensive Ayurvedic approach in the successful management of Polycystic Ovary Syndrome (PCOS) / Artava Dushti through Shaman Chikitsa. Through the integration of classical Ayurvedic formulations, dietary regulations, and lifestyle modifications tailored to the patient's constitution and doshas imbalance, marked improvement was observed.

The patient's recovery—evidenced by the resolution of dysmenorrhea, genitourinary discomfort, and enhanced
quality of life—demonstrates the potential of holistic Ayurvedic interventions in the long-term management of
PCOS.

- Improvements were noted in symptoms like urethral itching (from score: 5 to score 0), pain in lower abdominal region (from score: 5 to score: 0) and dysmenorrhea (from score: 5 to score:0)
- Ultrasound findings also demonstrate a gradual and significant improvement over the course of treatment. Well defined unilocular anechoic cysts in the right ovary (1.89 x 1.70 cm) reduced to 2.35 cm and eventually recovered, whereas the cyst in the left ovary (1.81 x 1.54 cm) also showed significant reduction and eventually vanished.

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