

Archaeo - Site Mahidpur APRIL

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→ The Mahidpur is situated in Ujjain district in Malwa (M.P.) near on the bank of river Kshipra.

→ Excavated mound is known as "Bhasma Tekri" (The mound of Ash).

⇒ After the excavations of Nagda, Anura, Manoti, Dangwada, Eran and Azadnagar this excavation is done in 3 sessions i.e. - 1986-87, 1989-90 and 1990-99.

⇒ The excavation is done by AIHC Ujjain Vikram University under Prof. Rahman Ali who assisted by Dr. Dhirendra Solanki, and Dr. Trivedi

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→ There are 3 Chalcolithic layers in the site.

1) I Period - (circa 2100 B.C. - 1800 B.C.)

2) II Period (1800 B.C. - 1200 B.C.)

3) III Period (1200 B.C. - 600 B.C.)

Remains are pure Historic layers

Period I (2100 B.C. - 1800 B.C.)

These peoples had not developed independently. They migrated here

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from any place.

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→ First phase was occupied by the people who were using painted black and Red ware, Red Slipped ware of Ahar and Red Slipped ware painted with white color. Red

→ In which Red Slipped ware belongs to Ahar, but specific Ahar ware is absent.

→ This early peoples came from some where and established here. They lived in mud houses built in circular shape and rectangular shape like Chaco people.

→ They are using microliths made by Chalcedony, quartz etc. Similarly they are using stone ~~to~~ made items like pestle stone, hammer etc.

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Period II (1800 B.C. - 1200 B.C.) → This is specifically Malwa culture because Malwa ware are found here in big amount. Some other potteries like BRW painted and Plain, Red Slipped ware, Coarse grey ware

→ They are bowl, jar and cups, lotas, storage jars, dishes are available.

→ Painted motifs are using sun, river, deer etc.

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⇒ earthen lamps were also found in big nos.

⇒ Terracotta beads, T.C. bulls also found.

Between the Period II and III there are signs of floods which can show that this layer was disturbed by flood.

Period III (1200 B.C. - 600 B.C.) - In this Period potteries of Period II were common. The quality of pots decreased.

⇒ Here some sherds of degenerated Kaythe Ware in coarse fabric also noticed.

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⇒ upper layer of this period is overlapped with historic period 600 (B.C.)

Hence we can see the major Chalcolithic site with Malwa ware found prominently here.