

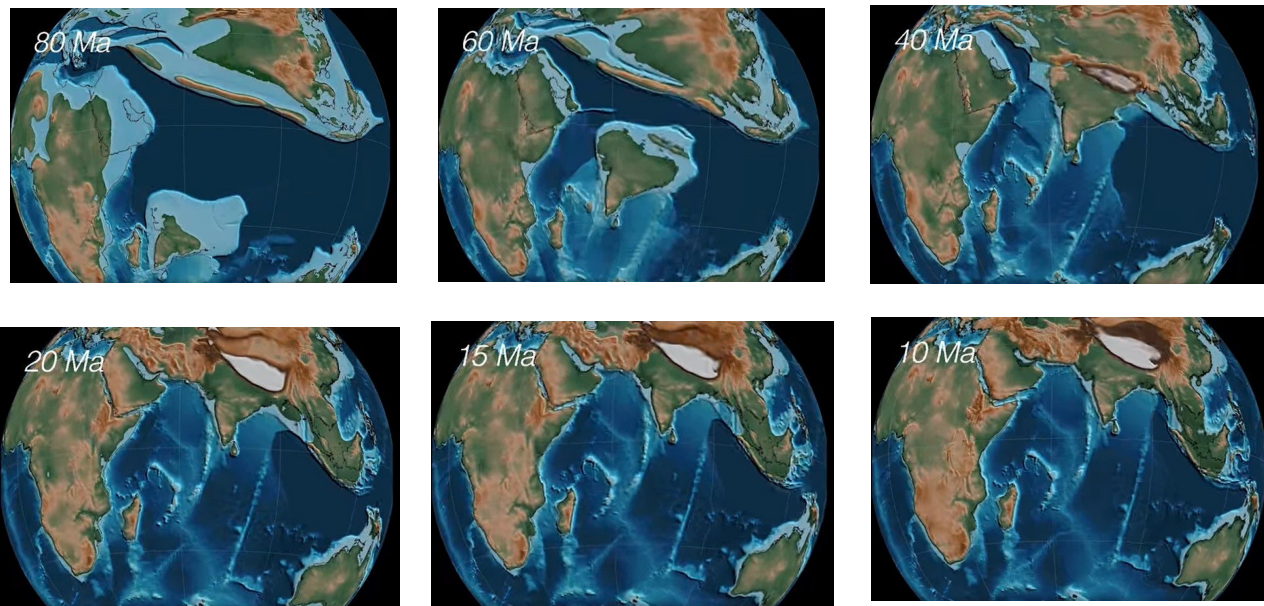
## Asia: An Archeological View

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Asia was a unique geological formation created when the Antarctic plate was split and met the Europe plate millions of years ago (Ma). The split created the Indian monsoon winds that blow from the Arabian Sea to the Bay of Bengal. Over millions of years the monsoon rains carried rich fertile soil and created delta areas that are now lowlands. The rich lowlands were formed only along the cracks.

Homo Sapiens who evolved along the east coast of Africa near Tanzania 200,000 years ago were split into three clades and lived at different elevations. The African clade lived in highlands and moved west. The European clade followed the Homo Neanderthal and moved north. The Asian clade lived only in the lowlands and moved east. The clades evolved as if they were different species with nothing in common.

The lowlanders lived only along the monsoon path. They instinctively followed the path from Somalia to the Red Sea to the Persian Gulf to the northwest of India (Punjab) to the Bay of Bengal (Sunda).



Asia was formed when a crack on the Africa Plate expanded into the Red Sea 15 million years ago (15 Ma). Technically the Red Sea was in Asia. The lowlands to the east of the Red Sea are now called Asia. The seawater was far below the current levels when the Asian Homo Sapiens (DNA C and F) moved out of Somalia and lived in Asia. At that time, the Red Sea was a giant lake of rainwater, the Persian Gulf was a fertile valley, and

the Sunda was a giant fertile land that stretched all the way to Australia. The rivers Yamuna, Narmada, Tapi, Godavari, and Mahanadi were formed when the India Plate was cracked by the impact force. All the rivers were along the path of monsoon winds.

The migration path from Somalia to Sunda along the lowlands was a cakewalk. Much of the ancient migration path is now submerged under 500 feet of water. The digitally generated elevation maps of lowlands have a fascinating story of human history to tell.

