

## **Aravalli Ridge, an Archeological View**

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The Aravalli Ridge separated the Thar desert from the rest of India. When the monsoon winds blew from west to east, the west side of the ridge was a fertile valley called Punjab. When the winds blew from east to west it was deprived of rainwater. It alternated between Punjab and Thar. Every 20,000 years, monsoon winds changed their direction based on the earth's rotation called Precession. The west side was Punjab 20,000, 60,000, and 100,000 years ago. It became a desert 4,000 years ago when the winds changed their direction.

