

Mahanadi River: An Archeological View

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The Mahanadi River is on the east side of the Satpura Ridge. When the monsoon winds blew east to west, it was fertile land caused by the rainwater trapped by the ridge. When the monsoon winds blew from west to east, it was in the rain shadow and was a wasteland. The Indian monsoon winds blew from the Arabian Sea to the Bay of Bengal for 20,000 years and from the Bay of Bengal to the Arabian Sea for another 20,000 years due to the earth's axial precession and tilt.

Twenty thousand years ago, the monsoon winds blew west to east. The area to the west of the Satpura (Narmada, Ken, and Sone) was fertile land, and Mahanadi was a wasteland. The DNA H, J2b, and O moved to the west of the Satpura and lived along different rivers. Four thousand years ago, the monsoon winds reversed direction. The west side became a wasteland, and Mahanadi on the east side became fertile land. Naturally, all the people on the west side moved to the east along different paths.



