Torn by Conflict - Afghanistan's Turbulent History

Afghanistan BC	0-1800 AD	1800s	1900s

50,000 BC - 20,000 BC
Stone age technology and plant remains from this time period found

3000 BC - 2000 BC
Two cities: Mundigak and Deh Morasi Ghundai

2000 BC - 1500 BC
Aryan tribes
City of Kabul established

600 BC
Zoroastrianism--Monotheistic religi introduced

522-486 BC
Darius the Great, Persian conquers Afghanistan

522-486 BC
bloody Afghan revolts

329 BC
Alexander the Great conquers Afghanistan
More bloody revolts

323 BC
Greeks rule N Afghanistan

Arab Invaders
Introduce Islam
600 ad

962-1030
Ghaznavid Dynasty
Afghanistan is Islamic center

1030
Conflicts - Ghaznavid empire starts to crumble.

1140
Ghorids capture Ghazni then conquer India.

1219
Genghis Khan invades
Destroys irrigation - desert results

1504-1519
Moghul dynasty takes control of Kabul

1332-1370
Ghorids reassert control

1370-1404
The rule of Timour-i-Lang (Tamerlane)
Afghan resistance

1451
Afghan named Buhlul invades Delhi
Seizes the throne - Lodi Dynasty

1520-1529
Bayazid Roshan (Afghan intellectual) revolts
he power of the Moghul government

1613-1689
Khushhal Khan Khattak (Afghan warrior-poet)
itiates a national uprising against Moghul govt

1708
Mir Wais makes Kandahar independent

1722
Mir Wais's son invades Persia

1725
Afghans lose Persia

1725-1834
Wars with Persia & Sikhs

1736-1738
Persia occupies Afghanistan

1839-1842
1st war w/British

British invade

British envoy was killed

Afghan warlords obliterated British
4500 soldiers, 12000 civilians

second Anglo-Afghan war

3rd Anglo-afghan war

Amir Abdur Rahman Takes
Afghan throne w/British support

Britain relinquishes control

Tajik ethnic group.
takes over

King Amanullah
1919-29

King eliminates female veil
introduces co-ed schools

3rd Anglo-afghan war

People's Democratic Party
made new laws on land reform, marriage.
Islamic leaders revolt

Soviets take over
and install new leader

Zahir Shah takes throne

Bilateral treaty
with Russia

Allied/US backed Mujadeen
fight for freedom

Soviet pull-out
leaves power vacuum

Taliban takes over

No freedom, life disintegrates

Taliban Terrorism

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