

# ORIGIN OF THE ARYANS



## Argument Against Aryan Migration to the Indian Suncontinent

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Aryan in English is derived from the Sanskrit language, "Ārya" meaning "noble", "civilized" or "honorable".

## **There are many theories propagated by western scholars:**

- According to Bobodzhan Gafurovich (Gafurov) in “Ancient History to contemporary times” – Indo-Aryans came from central Asia.**
- According to Bender they hail from Lithuania a Baltic country where they lived for five thousand years.**
- According to Bongard Levin – South-Eastern Europe between Dnieper & Ural Mountains**
- Some illustrations state that the Aryans came to India between 1700 B.C. to 1200 B.C.**
- Max Muller – A German scholar and a professor in Britain had been hired by the British government to reinforce the hypothesis of Aryan migration to India from European regions.**
  - Although it is recorded that he was paid £7500 for writing this from a research paper from the time he came to India to learn Sanskrit & Hindu scriptures.**

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- **Swami Vivekanand – A great scholar of Indology & Spiritualism said that Aryans are indigenous and did not come from anywhere.**

**Thus the migration of Aryans to India still remains inconclusive & controversial as there is no concrete evidence.**

## **Social and political implications of the Aryan invasion idea created by the west:**

- **First, it served to divide India into a northern Aryan and southern Dravidian culture which were made hostile to each other. This kept the Hindus divided and is still a source of social tension.**
- **Second, it gave the British an excuse in their conquest of India. They could claim to be doing only what the Aryan ancestors of the Hindus had previously done millennia ago.**
- **Third, it served to make Vedic culture later than and possibly derived from Middle Eastern cultures. With the proximity and relationship of the latter with the Bible and Christianity, this kept Hindu religion as a sidelight to the development of religion and civilization to the West.**
- **Fourth, it allowed the sciences of India to be given a Greek basis, as any Vedic basis was largely disqualified by the primitive nature of the Vedic culture.**

(David Frawley, a well-known Vedic scholar, runs the American Institute of Vedic Studies in Santa Fe, New Mexico).

## In support of Indigenous Origin:

- **The word Aryan is indigenous as it is derived from the Sanskrit language**
- **The word "Arya" means "civilized" or "noble".**
- **India was known as "Aryavarta" even before the Indus Valley Civilization of 4000-3600 B.C.**
- **Aryan scripts are written in Sanskrit and Pali language**
- **Aryan scriptures show us that their culture and civilization are mainly practiced only in the mainland of India.**
- **The Rig Veda speaks of Aryans having hundreds of cities of their own that they protected unlike popular belief.**
- **Rig Veda also praises Aryan gods such as Indra, Agni, Saraswati and the Adityas.**
- **According to anthropologists, linguistically the present day population of Gujarat and Punjab belongs to the Indo-Aryan language speaking group.**

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- **Linguists who try to trace common words from the west in Sanskrit language can also be rejected because it could be construed as gone from India to the west.**
- **There is barely any trace or supporting evidence of Aryans in Europe and Middle-east.**
- **According to Stephen Knapp there is supporting evidence proving that the Aryans may have taken the Vedic culture to different parts of the world from India.**
- **Traces of Vedic culture are found all over the world that are diminished with the advent of other doctrines and faiths by their western propagators.**
  - **Many Sanskrit words are found in Latin**
  - **Rituals from Hindu culture are found in other cultures such as worship of the sun & fire. Example: Ancient Egyptians worshipping the Sun and Zoroastrians worshipping fire etc.**
- **India's real history has been destroyed in the last 2000 yrs with the advent of invaders coming from different faiths.**

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- Swami Prakashananda has done extensive research & in his book “True History of Hinduism” has given the year wise chronology with the names of the Rulers and their periods.
  - King Bharat under the lineage of Chhatriya Vansh (Dynasty) descended from Lord Ram from Treta Yuga which was almost 900,000 yrs ago was known as Arya Putra. Note: As per Hindu scriptures Bhawad Mahapuram & as per lord Krishna’s utterance in Bhagwadgita we can conceive this period.
- There is no history or civilization known in Europe of that old heritage.
  - Even Mayan culture and civilization in the American Continent in Mexico are not that old.

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- One of the latest archeological ideas is that the Vedic culture is evidenced by Painted Grey Ware pottery in north India, which appears to date around 1000 BC and comes from the same region between the Ganges and Yamuna.
  - Since Painted Grey Ware culture represents an indigenous cultural development and does not reflect any cultural intrusion from the West i.e. an Indo-Aryan invasion. Therefore, there is no archeological evidence corroborating the fact of an Indo-Aryan invasion.
- Wheeler speaks of 'the Aryan invasion of the land of the 7 rivers, i.e. Punjab', but is unable to support the statement. If we check the dozen references in the 'Rig Veda' to the 7 rivers, there is nothing in them that implies invasion.
  - The land of the 7 rivers is the land of the 'Rig Veda', the scene of action. Nowhere is it implied that the inhabitants of the walled cities (including the Dasyus) were any more aboriginal than the Aryans themselves.

**In other words there is no racial evidence of any such Indo-Aryan invasion of India but only of a continuity of the same group of people who traditionally considered themselves to be Aryans.**



Thank You.