



# Digital Afghanistan

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Over the past 15 years some \$1 trillion has been spent on military operations and society-building in Afghanistan, yet scholars and researchers have precious few authoritative primary resources for studying one of the world's most important countries.

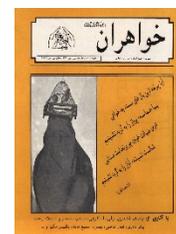
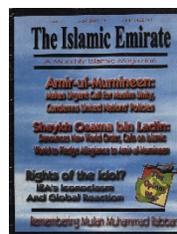
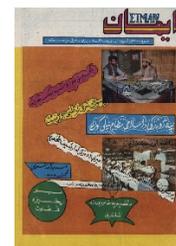
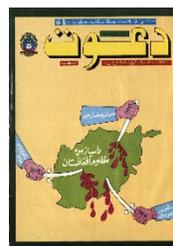
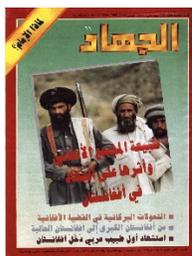
## This is about to change.

East View Information Services, in a unique partnership with the Hoover Institution at Stanford University and the Wahdat Library in Kabul, has embarked on a comprehensive and long-term program to enable the digital discovery and delivery of key publications in all languages of the country: Dari, Pushto, English and more.

Understanding Afghanistan—its past, present, and future—requires an understanding of its history, governmental transitions, and contemporary political players and prominent social forces.

In order to support scholarly research and greater understanding of Afghanistan, one can turn to Afghanistan's press – the hundreds of newspapers and journals that play a key role by interfacing with and informing the Afghan people of critical national issues of political and social importance.

The cornerstone of East View's program is the acquisition of the Wahdat Library Newspaper and Journal Collection, the most comprehensive private collection of rare Afghanistan newspapers and journals. East View is currently digitizing this collection in cooperation with the Hoover Institution Library and Archives. The Wahdat Collection represents a significant step forward in the preservation of Afghanistan's press history and includes over 80 newspaper titles (30,000+ issues, 100,000+ pages) as well as 350+ journal titles (8000+ issues, 400,000+ pages).



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East View will deliver the content as an online database organized into seven separate, subject-specific segments representing various areas of Afghanistan's society:

***Current Affairs from Afghanistan*** (76 newspapers and journals)

Post-2001 periodicals covering hard news and commentary from a range of voices including independent media and political-party affiliated publications, both pro- and anti-US viewpoints represented. Note that due to the nature of the Wahdat collection, some of these titles are limited years (i.e. 2003–2005). The publication could still be active, or it could have ceased. Likewise, some go up to 2014 or 2015. This database gives a broad sense of the central news and commentary in the modern incarnation of the Afghan state, which is 2001-present. Title list: [www.eastview.com/files/AfghanistanCOM.xlsx](http://www.eastview.com/files/AfghanistanCOM.xlsx)

***Historical Archive Collection*** (110 newspapers and journals)

Deep archives from the 1920s - 1990s including publications published under the Afghan monarchy, 1970s and 1980s Communist-era publications, early examples of free press, "militant" publications from the 1980s anti-Soviet struggle, and Taliban publications from the 1990s. Title list: [www.eastview.com/files/AfghanistanARCHIVE.xlsx](http://www.eastview.com/files/AfghanistanARCHIVE.xlsx)

***Afghan Governmental Publications*** (82 newspapers and journals)

Post-2001 publications published by Afghan government ministries and official bodies on multifarious topics (corruption, anti-narcotics, education and higher education, law, rural development, refugees and expatriates, city municipalities, health, among others). Title list: [www.eastview.com/files/AfghanistanGOV.xlsx](http://www.eastview.com/files/AfghanistanGOV.xlsx)

***Social Sciences and Humanities*** (77 newspapers and journals)

A diverse mix of newspapers and journals, ranging from poetry, art, and religion, to academic journals published by the Afghanistan Academy of Sciences, focused on social science and humanities subjects enumerated in the titles of the database. Title list: [www.eastview.com/files/AfghanistanEDU.xlsx](http://www.eastview.com/files/AfghanistanEDU.xlsx)

***Civic Society and Nation Building*** (50 newspapers and journals)

Newspapers and journals covering post-2001 developments in rule of law, civic development, medicine and health, NGO activities, advocacy for women and children, human rights and law, among others. Title list: [www.eastview.com/files/AfghanistanLAW.xlsx](http://www.eastview.com/files/AfghanistanLAW.xlsx)

***Statistics, Economics, Industry, and Finance*** (21 newspapers and journals)

A small offering of journals and newspapers published by Afghan banks, investment agencies, and industry-specific affiliates, and a few independent publications covering multifarious finance-related topics. Title list: [www.eastview.com/files/AfghanistanSTAT.xlsx](http://www.eastview.com/files/AfghanistanSTAT.xlsx)

***Popular Culture*** (14 journals)

Light pop-culture fare focused on entertainment, sports, cinema, fashion and associated topics. Title list: [www.eastview.com/files/AfghanistanPOPSPORT.xlsx](http://www.eastview.com/files/AfghanistanPOPSPORT.xlsx)

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- Current subscriptions to Afghanistan newspapers and journals.
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- Maps, atlases and digital geospatial data of all kinds for Afghanistan

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