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Excavations in Xocaxan settlement at KP 340.6 SCPX pipeline

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1 SUMMARY

The report covers the outcomes of archaeological excavations carried out in the Khojakhan settlement located 1 km north of the Ashaghi Eyyublu village of the Tovuz district at KP 340.650 of the SCPX gas pipeline. The Khojakhan settlement is a monument comprised of multiple layers dating to the late Chalcolithic period, the early Bronze Age and the late Middle Ages. Initial archaeological excavations were conducted in this territory as part of laying the BTC oil pipeline (the BTC stage) in August-September 2004, as well as in May 2005 (the SCP stage).

A significant number of pottery, two burial monuments, stone working tools once used for farming activities and other items were found during the archaeological excavation work done in the SCPX corridor in the layer attributed to late Chalcolithic period.

Pottery and stone working tools of different shapes traced to the early Bronze Age were discovered in the settlement as well. The tangible cultural samples of this period were not very abundant and dated back to the initial stage of the early Bronze Age.

The discovered items, which were found both in the same stratum as the samples of the Chalcolithic culture and in a separate layer, reflect the traditions observed during the previous time period.

A small number of pottery was the only items found in the layer dating to the late Middle Ages in the upper part of the archaeological area. The insignificant number of samples of tangible culture attributed to this historical period indicates that habitation that resumed in the archaeological area continued only for a short period of time.

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2 INTRODUCTION

2.1 SITE DISCOVERY

The Khojakhan settlement was discovered during the construction of the BTC pipeline and excavated in 2004 [1, p. 3]. Since it had been used until then as a sowing area and a hayfield, so archaeologists were unable to return to the site. During the BTC work, 36 units (sized 3mx3m) were excavated in August-September 2004, while in the SCP stage, 17 units (sized 4mx4m) were worked on in May 2005, figuratively known as first and second excavations [1, p. 6].

The Khojakhan settlement was discovered as a result of the archaeological monitoring carried out during the construction of pipelines while removing the upper layer of soil in an area located along the BTC route. Archaeological excavations were initially planned in this territory due to the likelihood of discovering new archaeological artefacts during the construction work as part of the SCPX project.

2.2 BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE SITE

The Khojakhan settlement is located 1km north of Ashaghi Eyyublu village of the Tovuz district at KP 340.650 of the SCPX gas pipeline route. The archaeological site covers a large area located on a slanting plain west of a little valley, which was probably a riverbed during the ancient period. The excavation area is traversed by a 5m wide soil road and an irrigation ditch, running north to south. The monument is situated at the N-4536433.464; N-4536509.09 and E-8570804.76; E-8570691.725 coordinates, 341m above sea level. Fertile dark grey and black soil that is suitable for sowing is predominant in the area [2, p. 2-3].

2.3 TIMING OF THE ARCHAEOLOGICAL EXCAVATION

An archaeological expedition group of the ANSA IoAE carried out excavations in the Khojakhan settlement September 3, 2014 to October 3, 2014. The archaeological excavation work was overseen by senior research fellow Shamil Najafov and carried out with the participation of the Institute's employees, senior research fellow Vagif Asadov and research fellow Ahliman Abdurahmanov. BP (SCPX) environmental site manager (Site E&S Lead) Louis Nqwa and SCPX Cultural Heritage Site Construction Manager Mahammad Novruzov contributed to the excavation work as observers.

3 OUTCOME OF ARCHAEOLOGICAL EXCAVATIONS

3.1 GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF THE SITE

The samples found above the ground in this territory, which mainly includes plain areas used for sowing (pottery sherds, flint and obsidian), suggest that the 140m long and approximately 120-130m wide monument occupies a total of over 1.5 hectares. The archaeological area is located 341m above sea level. Hollow areas extend from the flat foothills located slightly to the southwest of the relatively high monument area. These areas were probably a riverbed in the ancient period. The soil upon relatively high and flat hills and foothills is ploughed with the use of machinery during the sowing work and removed, which leads to certain changes in the relief [2].

3.2 GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF OCCUPATION LAYERS

The excavations were carried out over the site using an alternating sequence of units. The work began in Units 1B, 1 and 3. Chalcolithic-era pottery was occasionally encountered in the initial soil depth of 40cm. These samples were mixed with pottery dating to the Middle Ages. The handmade, thick walled, red coloured pottery of the Middle Ages, covered with scale significantly differed from the Chalcolithic-era pottery, which had a vegetative substance admixture in the clay composition. Interestingly, the pottery items dating to very remote historical periods were found side by side and at the same depth. This indicated that the occupation layer was disturbed. However, roughly made, red and yellow pottery vessels of the Middle Ages were the most common finds. The excavation work was done accordingly until the depth of 80-100cm in Units 1B, 1 and 3. As mentioned above, the pottery found in these units from the depth of 40cm were mixed items that had been mainly baked in unstable temperature. The discovered sherds of the clay vessels do not allow determining their shapes. In other words, examining these items did not make it clear which parts of the vessels they originated

The finds included a great number of obsidian flakes, such as black and coffee-coloured, dark and transparent splinters. These items were not ready-to-use tools [2, p. 3].

A significant number of pottery sherds were found at the 40cm depth throughout the north and south walls of Unit 5, at the 60cm depth of Unit 7 and at the 40-50cm depth in Unit 9.

Pottery dating to the late Middle Ages were discovered in the upper 40cm of Unit 19. The pottery of the late Middle Ages found on the occupation layer slope included mixed samples. The surface of some of these samples was entirely covered with scale. Most of these sherds, which were of light red and manganese colours, were parts of thick walled clay vessels. However, researchers concluded that a great number of these sherds were presumably parts of clay vessels similar to pitchers, boilers, jars and bowls. The fine sand, slight gravel and vegetative admixtures in the clay composition proved the presumption that they were traditional vessels of the Chalcolithic period.

Mostly early Bronze Age and Chalcolithic-era pottery was found at depth of 40-80cm in the Unit. The black and grey coloured pottery of the early Bronze Age were well made on a potter's wheel and had a clean clay composition. The pottery sherds were baked in a stable temperature regime.

The simple, thin walled pottery items of the early Bronze Age had no patterns on them, while the pottery of the Chalcolithic period included the rim, neck and shoulder sherds of vessels made of clay with a vegetative substance. Along with thick walled, roughly made pottery, ceramic items of high quality were found in the area. Some of the Chalcolithic-era pottery had a combed surface, i.e. slight grooves were applied upon them with a comb-like tool prior to baking. The criss-cross combing, in multiple directions, was probably aimed at maintaining the endurance of the clay. A decorative purpose is not ruled out either, since these vessels had more admixtures in their clay composition, which included slight gravel and vegetative substance, in addition to sand. Simple combing was used as a plain pattern element to hide these traces.

A furnace site was seen in the cross section of the west wall of the Unit. A lot of Chalcolithicera pottery was found inside the furnace site, which was discovered at a depth of 70cm under the ground. Most likely, it was the site of a fire that burned there for a long period of time. Sand and clay oven edges were seen over a vast area, which shows that the furnace had collapsed in the past and local residents used sand to put out the flames. The furnace and the ash layer were spread over territory that was 170cm long and 60cm thick. There were little pottery

sherds inside the ash layer as well. Some early Bronze Age-era pottery containing admixtures were found at the 80-120cm depth alongside the ceramics of the Chalcolithic period.

Remains found at a depth of 100cm in the centre of Unit 18 mainly included pottery sherds. These items were mostly found in heaps in the middle section of the Unit. Chalcolithic-era ceramic items were predominant among the samples discovered in this area. The pottery items were concentrated in a stripe near the unit's central and north walls.

The samples that emerged at the final depth of Unit 18 and at the 120cm depth in Unit 19 were made by hand very roughly and baked incompletely. These were elementary ceramics with mixed clay composition. These items are drastically different than the pottery samples found at the 60cm depth of the excavation. Materials of this type are mostly similar to the late Neolithic Age and the early Chalcolithic Age-era ceramics, such as material discovered in the Mantashtepe settlement.

The plain pottery of the Neolithic Age are usually found in the vicinity of the remains of structures and residential homes. Therefore, excavating Units 18, 19 and 20, successively was deemed important and the task was fulfilled. Since the area where Units 18 and 19 intersect was located on a ditch site, a stripe stretching for approximately 20 metres in this section was not excavated. Therefore, a new Unit, namely, 18A, was designated west of Unit 18, along with the newly excavated Unit 19A, which was located east of Unit 19 [2, p. 2].

The excavations in Unit 19A were carried out with the use of JCB machinery due to the shortage of time. The excavations were done by machine in 15-20cm levels. The excavation work at this depth was overseen by an archaeologist. The pottery found during the excavations conducted until the depth of 50cm in the unit were roughly made and contained a vegetative substance admixture.

Baked clay oven edges or protuberances pertaining to a furnace site emerged amongst the traces of burning with ash throughout the southeast wall of Unit 19A. The oven edges were 5-10cm thick. There was a vegetative admixture within the oven edges. Deep burns were seen on the outside surface.

A furnace site was discovered in the centre of the unit. The diameter of the first furnace site was 200cm, while the depth was 40cm. Significant blackening of the soil and traces of ash indicated that an intensive fire occurred in this area.

The pottery found at the furnace site was very interesting. This pottery of the elementary type were thick walled, roughly made items with vegetative admixtures.

The colour of these samples could not be determined due to significant burning. One of the discovered samples with holes throughout the surface probably served as a strainer in the past. Most likely, the holes were made for the pouring of liquid.

A little lid found in the area was once part of a boiler (Inv 68, Figure 4.1, 18). Overall, all the lid sherds found in the excavation area were of regular size. Their edges were honed at the right angle, while their thickness was 0.8-1.2cm.

Another furnace site was discovered at the 100-120cm depth close to the southeast corner of Unit 19A. The furnace diameter was 60cm, while its depth was 15cm. A grinder was found inside the furnace. Both sides of the little stone grinder were rubbed well (Inv 177). Some parts of this item, which was shaped as a round wheel, were covered with scale.

A flint sickle tooth was another interesting artefact found at the furnace. The tooth would have been mounted in a timber and bone handle to make holding it in the hand more convenient. The cutting tool (Inv 178) was 5.5cm long.

Interesting finds were recorded during the excavations at the depth of 100-110cm in Unit 27, which were carried out simultaneously. One of the finds was a plate-type clay vessel with little holes upon the edges, which was perfectly polished and smoothened (Figure 5.2).

Another item found in the area was an rim sherd of a clay vessel with painted patterns.

One interesting sample was an egg-shaped stone tool. An attempt was made to open a hole with 2cm diameter in the middle on one of its sides, but this was not completed (Inv 173). Most likely, the item was intended as a weighing stone.

The finds also included a dopu or bowl-type clay vessel with a perfectly polished surface and very thin walls. It was not baked well. Round-shaped signs were applied in two rows vertically from the rim toward the base inside the bowl or basin (Inv 172).

Household pits with completely crumbled edges were also found in Units 18 and 19. A lot of early Bronze Age-era (4th millennium BCE) pottery pertaining to the Kura-Araz culture were found in these household pits. The pits were probably dug in the beginning of the Bronze Age and residents destroyed the Chalcolithic layer, which was located at more significant depths, in the process. The obtained items are typical pottery of the early Bronze Age, which is evidenced by their shapes.

Two querns could also be cited among the interesting finds. The first quern was found in Unit 16. It was 27cm long, 26.5cm wide and 4.5cm thick. The item, which emerged at the 50cm depth under the ground, was a fragmented, white coloured guern of limestone.

The second quernstone was found at the 105cm depth at the intersection of Units 18 and 18A. It was 10cm thick, 43cm long and 20cm wide. The quernstone was made of a hard type river rock. It is shaped as a boat (Inv 103, Figure 9.1, 30).

The coordinates and depths of the units designated in the excavation were as follows:

Unit 1B: N 40°57′32.0″ E 045°50′23.6″ Depth - 95cm

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Unit 3: N 40°57′32.0″ E 045°50′23.3″ Depth - 95cm

Unit 4: N 40°57′32.1″ E 045°50′23.2″ Depth - 90cm

Unit 5: N 40°57′32.2″ E 045°50′23.1″ Depth - 90cm

Unit 6: N 40°57′32.3″ E 045°50′22.9″ Depth - 90cm

Unit 7: N 40°57′32.4″ E 045°50′22.7″ Depth - 90cm

Unit 8: N 40°57′32.5″ E 045°50′22.6″ Not excavated

Unit 9: N 40°57′32.5″ E 045°50′22.5″ Depth - 90cm

Unit 10: N 40°57′32.6″ E 045°50′22.4″ Depth - 100cm

Unit 11: N 40°57′32.7″ E 045°50′22.2″ Not excavated

Unit 12: N 40°57′32.8″ E 045°50′22.1″ Depth - 100cm

Unit 13: N 40°57′32.8″ E 045°50′21.9″ Not excavated

Unit 14: N 40°57′32.9″ E 045°50′21.8″ Depth - 90cm

Unit 15: N 40°57′33.0″ E 045°50′21.7″ Depth - 90cm

Unit 16: N 40°57′33.1″ E 045°50′21.5″ Not excavated

Unit 17: N 40°57′33.2″ E 045°50′21.4″ Not excavated

Unit 18: N 40°57′33.3″ E 045°50′20.8″ Depth - 105cm

Unit 19: N 40°57′33.8″ E 045°50′20.0″ Depth - 120cm

Unit 18A: Depth - 100cm

Unit 19A: Depth - 100cm

Unit 20: N 40°57′33.8″ E 045°50′19.9″ Depth - 95cm

Unit 21: N 40°57′34.0″ E 045°50′19.8″ Depth - 105cm

Unit 22: N 40°57′34.0″ E 045°50′19.6″ Not excavated

Unit 23: N 40°57′34.0″ E 045°50′19.5″ Depth - 100cm

Unit 24: N 40°57′34.1″ E 045°50′19.3″ Not excavated

Unit 25: N 40°57′34.2″ E 045°50′19.2″ Depth - 100cm

Unit 26: N 40°57′34.3″ E 045°50′19.1″ Not excavated

Unit 27: N 40°57′34.3″ E 045°50′18.9″ Depth - 100cm

Unit 28: N 40°57′34.4″ E 045°50′18.8″ Not excavated

Grave 1. This was discovered at N40⁰57/32.4^{//} and E045⁰50/22.7^{//} coordinates at the corner of the northeast wall of Unit 5. A child placed in a Chalcolithic-era ceramic vessel was buried in the grave, which was found at the 85cm depth below the ground. It was filled with fine soil. Very sparsely scattered human bones were found inside the burial chamber. These mostly included rib and arm bones. The significantly decayed bones could not be removed from the soil due to their poor condition. Researchers were therefore unable to determine the direction of the dead body's burial based on the condition of the skeleton and the scattered bones. The burial chamber, which was placed in the west to east direction, was 110cm long and 50cm wide. Two clay vessels were found in the burial chamber. One of the vessels was broken but all the sherds were found on the spot. Red coloured pieces of bricks were scattered throughout the area surrounding the burial chamber and blended with sherds of the burial jug [2, p. 2].

The remains of the body in the burial chamber were scattered around. Two stone grinders were found in the chamber along with the body and pottery. Many obsidian flakes were found as well. Interestingly, these had different colour shades, such as black, grey and dark brown.

Grave 2. This grave was discovered at N40°57′32.3″ and E045°50′22.8″ coordinates at the corner of the southeast wall of Unit 5. The grave was located at a depth of 65cm below ground. Interesting burial customs were followed in this Chalcolithic-era grave. The soil in the burial chamber, which contained clay, significantly differed from the surrounding tightly pressed soil. The body was somewhat scattered around the burial chamber. The condition of the rib and pelvic bones allowed a conclusion that the burial was carried out in the southwest to northeast direction. The distance between the skull and the legs was 60cm. The dead body was slightly folded and the face was slanted eastward [2, p. 3].

A small spindle whorl (Inv 20, Figure 4.5, 24) was found near the skull in the burial chamber, along with another one, which was of an average size (Inv 19, Figure 4.4, 24) and placed over the chest. The spindle whorls were covered with scale.

Sherds of clay vessels of various types and a much obsidian were discovered in the grave. One of the vessels was a remarkably large, fragmented clay item similar to a frying pan. All the pitcher and kheyre sherds were also covered with scale.

Most of the clay vessel sherds were roughly made. Therefore, it was impossible to track pattern elements on any of these samples.

The obsidian fragments in the burial chamber of black, dark brown and black-red shades, were remarkably transparent.

The fact obsidian sherds of various colours were placed in the burial chamber was probably linked to primitive human beliefs in rocks.

A set of beads was also found in the burial chamber.

The chamber's floor was plastered with a 3cm thick clay solution.

4 ARTEFACTS

The remains of tangible culture found as a result of the archaeological excavations carried out in the ancient Khojakhan settlement included items made on a potter's wheel, stone tools and metalware. The pottery is mainly attributed to the late Chalcolithic period and the early Bronze Age. However, a small number of materials dating to the Middle Ages were discovered as well. Pottery items of different purposes were encountered. As for the samples of tangible culture dating to the Middle Ages, which were found in the 30cm thick upper layer of the Khojakhan settlement, these included several enamelled and unglazed pottery and metal items.

4.1 GENERAL SUMMARY OF TYPES AND NUMBER OF ARTEFACTS

Clay: A particularly large number of clay samples attributed to the Chalcolithic period were discovered in the area. The clay used to make the vessels varied in terms of its composition. It contained a lot of vegetative admixture and sometimes sand. Though large and fine sand admixtures were used to prepare the ceramic vessels, the substance was well mixed. The source of that clay is not known. Since the Ganja-Gazakh region is rich in various clay layers, an assumption may be made that the clay was obtained from the same territory and that the vessels had been made by local residents, although no substantial evidence is available in this regard. As regards the way those clay samples were fired, they stood out for their diversity. In addition to the well fired vessels, there were slightly fired ones among the finds. The quality of firing was affected to a certain extent by the admixtures in the clay composition. The extent

of baking depended on their intended purpose, as well as their shapes, size and wall thickness. Moreover, the proficiency and skills of the potters played a significant role in the process. The pottery items of the early Bronze Age stand out for their clean clay composition and a relatively high quality. These samples mainly had spherical bodies. Some of the ceramic vessels had handles. The pottery items found in the early Bronze Age layer of the settlement had tape-shaped handles. The vessels discovered in this layer included household jugs, pans, bowls, can and barrel-type vessels, plates, pitchers, jars and dopus. The colour of the ceramic vessels was mostly light red, grey, black and brown.

The pottery dating to the Middle Ages, which were of relatively high quality and made on a potter's wheel, included enamelled and unglazed sherds with extra admixtures in the clay composition. These included parts of pitchers, jars and plates.

The enamelled ceramic vessels were covered with glazing of different colours, including mainly light yellow and blue. Traces of a potter's wheel are seen on the inside. The surface of some of the vessels is decorated with various patterns.

As for the unglazed ceramic vessels, their colour was light red, red or brown.

Stone: Lower and upper quernstones dating to the late Chalcolithic period, i.e. grinders, were also found in the settlement area. Some of the lower quernstones were large items stored permanently in the same place and used. The lower part of the quernstone bases was planed to a level surface to prevent movement during use.

The querns were boat-like shaped and elongated. The upper working side of the querns, which were processed into the boat-like shape, became depressed due to use, while the edges rose upward like the forepart of a boat (Inv 103, Figure 9.2, 30).

The upper quernstones, i.e. grinders, in the Khojakhan settlement, were rather small. Their upper part that served as a handle was oval, while the lower working side became depressed (Inv 112, Figure 9.3, 28).

Given that at least half of the grinders were broken, a conclusion may be made that their length was 30-40cm, while the width was 12-15cm and the thickness equalled 5-10cm.

Stone tools made of obsidian and flint were also found in the excavation area. More obsidian tools are available than the ones made of flint.

A group of knife-like obsidian cutting tools discovered in the Chalcolithic-era layer of the settlement were dark brown and brown coloured items. These tools were of average size and mainly had an elongated shape. Some of them had a narrow edge. The lower surface was flat, while the upper surface was one and two-faceted.

The discovered knife-like sickle teeth were mainly items made of black, brown or coffee-coloured obsidian with quadrangular, elongated, trapezoid and triangular shapes. Some of the tools had retouched edges on both sides positioned against one another due to processing.

The obsidian cutting tools were found in essentially all the units of the ancient Khojakhan settlement. Some of the obsidian flakes were prismatic and three or four faceted. Some of these flakes were processed by retouching on one or two sides. The edges became blunt during use. However, some of these flakes were used without retouching.

Little knife-like cutters and sickle teeth dating to the early Bronze Age made of flint were 4-6cm to 10-12cm long and 1.5-2cm to 3-4cm wide.

5 ANALYTICAL RESULTS

5.1 COLLECTION OF RESULTS

The material obtained in the site included items pertaining to sowing. The great number of grain processing items (querns, grinders and hammering tools) and harvesting tools (sickle teeth) found in the monument's Chalcolithic-era layer proves that ancient tribes were extensively engaged in farming. Moreover, this territory has a location that is suitable for sowing work.

Remarkably, most of the harvesting and cutting tools discovered in the archaeological area were made of obsidian. Thus, tools of this type found at a number of monuments of the late Chalcolithic period, including the Boyuk Kesik settlement, were mainly made of flint stone. The fact that cutting tools were made so skilfully using obsidian, a rock with exceptional durability, confirms the above-mentioned conclusions and indicates a high development level of the stone-working craft. It is also noteworthy that pieces of bitumen used for attaching to a wooden base were found in the back of many sickle teeth.

Various animal bones were found in the archaeological area. The analysis of these bones indicates that most of them were parts of large-horned animals. Some bones of horses, sheep and goats were found as well. This enables us to make a conclusion that ancient tribes placed an emphasis on animal husbandry, along with farming, and that this was one of the leading sectors of the economy. Thus, the favourable natural-geographic relief could have facilitated extensive development of cattle breeding in this territory in the ancient period. It is also worth mentioning that there were few bone and metal tools among the archaeological samples found in the area.

The spindle whorls discovered in the site indicates that sowing and cattle-breeding tribes were engaged in weaving, along with other crafts, during the late Chalcolithic period (Figures 24, 25, 26). The conic spindle whorls were mainly made of clay and their surface was well polished. Though the items woven at the time do not survive, the numerous spindle whorls indicate a refined taste and advanced level of the craft of weaving.

Given the remains of the dilapidated structures discovered in the Chalcolithic-era layer, a conclusion may be made that the ancient tribes that lived in this territory were capable of building round-shaped homes. Such homes were built using clay mud. These shapes of structures reflect the characteristic features of the homes settled by the tribes of the late Chalcolithic period.

The analytical study of the tangible cultural remains found at the early Bronze Age monument indicated that the economic and cultural life continued in this territory in the late Chalcolithic period. Considering the obtained materials, which mainly included ceramic items, we may conclude that the ancient craft of pottery making reached a high level of development in the beginning of the Bronze Age. The ceramic items dating to this period were baked proficiently in a stable temperature regime. Their surface was skilfully decorated with patterns and polished. These were predominantly black polished pottery samples.

As mentioned above, the layer pertaining to the early Bronze Age was significantly damaged, which impeded efforts to obtain comprehensive information regarding other sectors of the economy of that period.

The ceramic items found in the layer of the archaeological monument dating to the Middle Ages provide evidence of a highly developed pottery craft in the region in that period. The ceramic items were baked in a high and stable temperature in line with a refined taste.

5.2 GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF ARTEFACT MATERIAL

The artefacts found in the settlement were mainly made of clay and stones. The material classification of the artefacts generally pertains to the group of clay and stone items of all the three periods, i.e. the Chalcolithic period, the early Bronze Age and the Middle Ages.

Observations of the vessels obtained from the Chalcolithic-era layer indicate that the types of vessels in this period were very simple and limited due to the simplicity of the economy, shortfalls in the techniques used and the lack of experience in the field of pottery making. There is no similarity between the pottery items found there and the vessels discovered at the monuments of the same period in Georgia, which is due to the long distance between the monuments or the small number of finds.

Some of the obtained clay items were poorly kneaded, roughly made items with chaff admixtures, which were baked in low and unstable temperature regimes. Most of the ceramic items had different shades of the red colour. However, red and reddish-brown vessel sherds with grey spots and a black layer inside the walls were encountered as well. The overwhelming majority of the ceramic vessels found in the Chalcolithic-era layer had a combed surface.

The ceramic vessels have different shapes and sizes. Some of the vessels, in particular, some pitchers, have spherical bodies and an rim that is bent outward in a semi-circular shape.

The shoulder and neck parts of some of the pitchers are girdled by little model buttons or a protruding wave-like line. The shoulders of some pitchers are encircled by a protuberant straight line, while the upper side of the protuberance is decorated with twisted patterns. The pitchers with an rim that is decorated with notched patterns are particularly remarkable.

Clay vessels of the early Bronze Age stand out for their peculiarity. In contrast to the samples made during the Chalcolithic period, these clay vessels already have handles (Figures 5, 6, 15). A vegetative admixture was no longer used in the clay composition and these vessels were of higher quality than the previous items. The combing encountered upon the pottery vessels of the Chalcolithic period is no longer seen on the vessels pertaining to the early Bronze Age.

The wall thickness of the pitchers dating to the early Bronze Age is 1-2.1cm.

The obtained sherds suggest that the discovered black polished pitchers stand out for their cylindrical necks.

5.3 PERIOD AND CHRONOLOGY

The determination of the chronological range of the Khojakhan settlement was based on stratigraphical observations and the comparative analysis of the obtained tangible cultural samples. The archaeological excavations carried out in the area allow us to conclude that the settlement dates to the late Chalcolithic period, the early Bronze Age and the late Middle Ages. In our opinion, initial settlement in this residential area occurred in the early 4th millennium BCE. In fact, the Chalcolithic period in the Caucasus ended in the late 4th millennium BCE. A 20cm thick layer of the early Bronze Age starts from and in furtherance of the lowest, 60cm thick late Chalcolithic-era stratum of the settlement.

Tangible cultural material, mostly pottery, were discovered at the early Bronze Age layer. Thus, unlike some other ancient Azerbaijani settlements, this layer in the Khojakhan settlement is located over the stratum attributed to the Chalcolithic period. However, the Kura-Araz culture is not reflected in complete abundance at this monument. Nevertheless, habitation resumed for a short period of time in the late Middle Ages, with the site later becoming a sowing area.

Radio-carbon tests were conducted in the Khojakhan settlement during the archaeological excavations in the BTC and SCP corridors. The outcomes of these tests are sufficient for the SCPX excavations and represent indisputable evidence when it comes to defining the historical period.

The results of a radio-carbon test run upon a timber log dating to the late Middle Ages using the 13C/12C method confirms our conclusions. The monument's upper occupation layer traced to the Middle Ages is attributed to the 17th century. The test results revealed that it dates back specifically to 1660 [1, p. 34].

6 DISCUSSIONS

6.1 INTERPRETATION OF RESULTS

The archaeological excavations have revealed that the monument is an ancient settlement comprised of three layers. Since the 30cm thick upper layer of the archaeological area was removed during soil work done during the pipeline construction, it was impossible to study the cultural composition of this part on the spot more precisely. Various pottery sherds and other samples of tangible culture dating to all the three mentioned periods were encountered in the soil of the removed upper layer.

Material dating to the Middle Ages were found in the upper 30cm thick layer of the archaeological area. The upper stratum of the archaeological area was damaged during the household activities conducted there in the past and the mediaeval occupation layer was completely destroyed.

The monument's early Bronze Age-era layer, which was about 40-50cm thick and mixed in some sections, with Chalcolithic-era material, was significantly damaged during the sowing work done in the area. From this point of view, the Chalcolithic layer, which starts after the 60cm depth of the archaeological monument, is in relatively good condition.

The resumed habitation in the area during the Middle Ages and the pits dug in this period for household activities and other purposes caused significant damage to the monument's early Bronze Age and Chalcolithic layers.

7 INVENTORY

No.	Туре	Description	Unit/Depth	Dimensions
1	vessel handle	Medium size vessel hook-like shaped handle. Its cross section is tape-shaped. It is attached to the vessel vertically. The vessel apparently has a biconic shape. There is sand admixture in the clay composition. The colour is pink.	Unit 17 depth:20cm- 1m	width-2cm
2	neck	Medium size thin walled vessel's neck. The neck broadens outward and smoothly goes into the shoulder. The colour is grey. The surface is polished. There is a gravelly sand admixture in the clay composition.	Unit 17 depth:20cm- 1m	wall th0.5cm
3	base	Small tray-type vessel base sherd. The base is wide and flat. The lateral parts broaden outward slightly. The colour is light pink.	Unit 17 depth:20cm- 1m	wall th0.7cm
4	handle	Small vessel handle sherd. Its cross section is tape-shaped. It is attached to the vessel vertically. The colour is pink.	Unit 17 depth:20cm- 1m	cross section- 1.9cm
5	spindle whorl	Spindle whorl sherd made of a white limestone. It is round and flat. There is a protruding hole in the middle.	Unit 17 depth:20cm- 1m	diam5cm
6	lid	Vessel lid sherd. It is disc-like shaped. The edges are round. The colour is grey. Traces of burning remained on the surface. There is a gravelly sand admixture in the clay composition.	Unit 17 depth:20cm- 1m	wall th1.4cm
7	bucket- type vessel	Little bucket-type vessel. The cylindrical item narrows downward. The base is wide and flat. The round-shaped rim goes directly into the body. The rim and the body's upper part are connected by two auricle or hook-like shaped, vertical handles attached against one another. Their cross section is tape-shaped. There is significant sand admixture in the clay composition. The colour is pink. Traces of burning remained on it.	Unit 5 depth:50cm Grave 1	height-11.5cm orif.d17.2cm base d14cm
8	boiler	Medium size boiler-type vessel body sherd. The rim, which is bent outward slightly, goes into the low and wide neck. The vessel has a rounded rim. The body sharply narrows toward the base from the neck. The base is narrow and flat. A hook-like handle connecting the rim to the neck remained intact. The colour is grey on the outside and pink on the inside. There are traces of burning on the vessel. Figure 6.1, 13.	Unit 5 depth:50cm Grave 1	height-14.1cm
9	grinder	Flat and round river rock, used as a grinder.		7x7.5cm
10	vessel base	Vessel base sherd. The flattened rim goes directly into a high lateral part. The latter broadens outward. The wide and flat base was combed. The surface was smoothened. The colour is light brown. There are traces of soot on the vessel.	Unit 5 depth:90cm Grave 2	height-7cm
11	body	Sherds of a large pitcher's body. The smooth rim is bent outward slightly. It goes directly into the body. The wall is thick. There are vegetative and sand admixtures in the clay composition. The colour is pink.	Unit 5 depth:90cm Grave 2	wall th2cm
12	rim	Vessel rim sherd. The flat rim is inclined outward. It goes directly into the low and wide neck. The body apparently narrows sharply after the neck. The colour is light pink. Traces of burning remained on the vessel.	Unit 5 depth:90cm Grave 2	neck h2.5cm
13	lid	Vessel lid sherd. The disc-like shaped item is flat on both sides. The bottom part was combed. The colour is pink. There are traces of soot all over the surface.	Unit 5 depth:90cm Grave 2	wall th0.7cm
14	body	Average size vessel body sherd. The rim, which has a welt, is bent outward slightly. It goes directly into the elongated body. There is significant sand admixture in the clay composition. The colour is brown on the outside and grey on the inside.	Unit 5 depth:90cm Grave 2	wall th0.7cm
15	grinder	Grinder or hammering tool processed into quadrangular shape using a flat and elongated river rock. One of its sides expands gradually. The broad side is torn off. Figure 10.1, 29.		5.6-7x9x6cm
16	cutting tool	Little, flat and ellipse-like cutting tool. Its edges were sharpened. It was further made of a river rock sherd.		5x2.6cm

No.	Туре	Description	Unit/Depth	Dimensions
17	cutting	Little round cutting tool. Its edges were sharpened. It was		d2.6cm
	tool	further made of a river rock sherd. One of its sides is slightly		
18	cutting	protuberant. Flat and elongated cutting tool. Its edges were sharpened. It		6x2.2cm
10	tool	was further made of a river rock sherd. The straight edge was		OXZ.ZGIII
	100.	made thinner, while the other edge is relatively thick and slightly		
		barbed.		
19	spindle	Disc-like shaped spindle whorl. Its middle section is protuberant	Grave 2	d 5cm
	whorl	on both sides. There is a protruding hole in this part used for		
		putting it through a roller. The colour is light pink. The item is roughly made. Figure 4.4, 24.		
20	spindle	Biconic spindle whorl. There is a protruding hole in the middle.	Grave 2	d 3cm
	whorl	The item is roughly made. Figure 4.5, 24.	0.5.0	a. 00
21	rim	Rim sherd of a small vessel. The rim is wide. There is a rather		wall th0.6cm
		protuberant horizontal quadrangular handle adjacent to the rim.		protr.1x2.5cm
		The item is of high quality. The colour is light pink. There are		
22	cutting	traces of soot upon the vessel. Chestnut-coloured cutting tool obsidian blade. It is one-faceted.		width-1.5cm
22	tool	The item has slightly barbed edges.		widiii-1.5cm
23	cutting	Two fragments of one-faceted cutting tools made of black and		2cm
	tools	grey coloured obsidian.		1.4cm
24	splinters	Chestnut-coloured, orange and yellow obsidian splinters (5		
	_	items).		
25	rim	Vessel rim's part adjacent to the body. The rim is thinning. It	Unit 1	wall th0.8cm
		transforms directly into the body. It was part of a vessel with a wide rim. Three lidded holes were made on the inside in a row	depth:80cm	
		extending from the rim. The colour is light pink.		
26	biconic	Biconic vessel's wide rim sherd. The rim is oriented inward. The	Unit 5	
	vessel	colour is light pink.	depth: 1m	
27	base	Pitcher-type vessel's base sherd. The wide and flat base	Unit 5	wall th1cm
		protrudes slightly beyond the body. The latter broadens upward.	depth: 1m	
		The wall is thick. It was made roughly on a potter's wheel. The		
28	body	colour is light pink. Cylindrical vessel body sherd. The rim, which is slightly bent	Unit 5	wall th1cm
20	body	outward, goes directly into the body. The colour is light pink.	depth: 1m	Wall tilTolli
		The surface is covered with scale.	'	
29	rim	Big jug's rim sherd. The rim is broad and flattened. The colour	Unit 5	orif.cr.sec.wid.
		is light pink.	depth: 1m	-1.8cm
30	neck	Thin wall vessel's neck sherd. The rim is bent outward. The neck goes smoothly into the shoulder. The colour is pink. There	Unit 5	neck.h3.5cm wall th0.5cm
		are traces of soot all over the surface.	depth: 1m	wall til0.5cm
31	neck	Average size vessel's neck sherd. The wide and low neck goes	Unit 5	neck h2cm
		directly into the body. The rim is bent laterally. The colour is	depth: 1m	wall th0.8cm
		pink. There are traces of burning on both sides of the surface.		
32	rim	Small vessel's rim sherd. The rim is bent laterally. The clay		wall th0.6cm
		burned down due to baking at a high temperature. The colour is		
33	neck	light grey. The outside surface is covered with scale. Sherd of a small vessel's wide neck. The low neck smoothly		neck h2.5cm
	HOOK	transforms into the shoulder. The rim is slightly bent laterally.		wall th1cm
		The colour is light pink on the inside and dark pink on the		
		outside. There are traces of burning on the outside surface. The		
0.4		wall is thick.	114.5	
34	neck	Average size vessel neck sherd. The round rim is slightly bent laterally. It goes directly into the neck. The neck apparently	Unit 5 depth: 1m	neck h5.5cm wall th1.5cm
		goes into the shoulder smoothly after descending at the right	deptii. iiii	Wall til1.5Cill
		angle. There is a sand and vegetative admixture in the clay		
		composition. The colour is red on the inside and orange on the		
		outside.		
35	rim	Rim sherd of an average size vessel. The rim is slightly bent	Unit 5	neck h3cm
		laterally. Its edge has a welt. It goes directly into the low neck, while the latter gradually transforms into the shoulder. There is	depth: 1m	wall th1.2cm
		a sand and vegetative admixture in the clay composition. The		
		colour is light pink. The rim is wide. The wall is thick.		
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No.	Туре	Description	Unit/Depth	Dimensions
36	pottery	Disc-shaped item made of a vessel body after its edges were	Unit 5	diam4cm
	item	smoothened. The wall is thick. The colour is pink. Grey	depth: 1m	wall th1cm
		plastering was applied on one side of the surface.		
37	rim	Rim sherd of a small kheyre-type vessel adjacent to its body.	Unit 5	neck h2cm
		The rim is slightly inclined inward. The rim is smooth. The body	depth: 1m	wall th0.7cm
		narrows downward from the open neck. The item is of high		
	a ·	quality. The colour is grey.		4.5
38	flooring	Flooring sherds (two items) with a plastered surface made of		1.5cm
	parts	clay. The clay was baked in an unstable temperature. The		
39	body	colour is pink. Cylindrical vessel body sherd. The rim, which has a welt, goes		wall thickness
39	body	directly into the body. The vessel has a vertically positioned		-0.8cm
		hook-like shaped handle. The cross section is tape-shaped.		-0.00111
		There is significant sand admixture in the clay composition. The		
		colour is grey. Figure 14.		
40	rim	Small vessel rim sherd. The rim is bent outward. The rim is	Unit 6	wall th0.7cm
		round. The clay colour is pink. The vessel has a low neck.	depth: 80cm	neck h2.5cm
41	small	Small vessel rim sherd. The rim is bent outward. The rim is	Unit 6	wall th0.6cm
	pitcher	round. It goes directly into the high neck. The colour is grey.	depth: 80cm	
42	salt	Little salt shaker-type vessel's rim sherd. The vessel has a	Unit 6	wall th1cm
	shaker-	thinning rim. The colour is grey. Traces of soot remained on the	depth: 80cm	
	type	surface.		
	vessel			****
43	body	Vessel body sherd. Askew scratched line patterns were applied	Unit 6	wall th0.7cm
		on it. The colour is grey.	depth: 60-	
4.4			80cm	"" 0.5
44	rim	Little salt shaker-type vessel's rim sherd. The rim is smooth. It	Unit 10	wall th0.5cm
4.5		goes directly into the body. The colour is grey.	depth: 80cm	
45	jug	Sherds of a large household jug. The wide rim is bent outward	Unit 9 Grave 2	wall th1.1cm wall th1.8cm
		slightly. The rim has a welt. The low neck smoothly goes into the shoulder. The item is decorated with an ornament shaped	Grave 2	wall til1.ociii
		as a little model button. The colour is pink. There are traces of		
		significant burning in some parts of the surface. The wall is		
		thick.		
46	goblet	Little goblet-type vessel's half-part. The rim which has become	Unit 5	h 5.5cm
	"	thinner, goes directly into the body. The latter narrows toward	Grave 2	base d4cm
		the base. The base is flat and thick. There is sand admixture in		
		the clay composition. The colour is pink. The vessel is covered		
		with scale on the inside. There are traces of soot below the		
		base. Figure 5.3, 19.		
47	vessel	Average size vessel handle. The handle is wide and hook-like		wall th1cm
	handle	shaped. The tape-shaped item is attached to the vessel		
		vertically. The colour is pink. It was part of a thick walled vessel.		
48	handle	The surface is covered with scale. Round-shaped pottery item handle's half-part. Its edges are		wall th0.8cm
40	nanule	torn off. The handle could have served as a knob for a vessel		wan unU.OUIII
		lid. Since the round-shaped item's edges are protuberant on		
		top, there is a hollow in the middle. The handle, which is rather		
		wide, connects the edges in the hook-like shape. There is a		
		gravelly sand admixture in the clay composition. The colour is		
		pink on the outside and reddish-brown on the inside (bottom).		
49	rim	Rim sherd of an average size vessel. The rim is bent outward		wall th1cm
		slightly. There is significant gravel and sand admixture in the		
		clay composition. The colour is dark pink.		
50	lid	Vessel lid sherd. It is flat and disc-like shaped. Its edges are	Unit 5	wall th0.8cm
		rounded. The colour is grey.	depth:0.9-	
<u> </u>			1m	
51	grinder	Grinder made of a river rock. It has a flat and quadrangular	Unit 5	dimensions:
		shape. Two of its sides are oval. One of the sides is covered	depth:0.9-	11.5x8.5x4.5c
F2	arinds.	with scale.	1m	14 Fy0y2 7cm
52	grinder	Working tool made very neatly using a river rock. Presumably, it served as a grinder or another smashing tool. Its shape is oval.	Unit 5 depth:0.9-	14.5x9x2.7cm
		Upper and lower parts are completely smoothened. The lateral	1m	
<u> </u>	L	Oppor and lower parts are completely smoothened. The lateral	1111	ļ

No.	Туре	Description	Unit/Depth	Dimensions
		parts are smooth as well. The colour is brown. One of the edges is narrower than the other. Figure 9.1, 31.		
53	rim	Sherd of a vessel's wide rim. The rim is slightly inclined outward. The rim has a welt. It goes directly into the low neck. The colour is grey.	Unit 12 depth:0.8- 1cm	neck h4cm wall th1cm
54	rim	Rim sherd of a small vessel. The rim is round. The low neck goes gradually into the shoulder. The colour is grey on the inside and pink on the outside.	Unit 12 depth:0.8- 1cm	wall th0.8cm
55	Hammer tool	Hammering tool made of an elongated river rock. One of its edges is sharp, while the other one is flat. Traces of processing are seen upon the flat edge.	Unit 12 depth:0.8- 1cm	len11.2cm cr.sect.wid 5.5cm
56	handle	Large vessel handle sherd. It is wide and tape-shaped. It was attached to the vessel vertically. There is a gravelly sand admixture in the clay composition. The colour is dark pink.	Unit 6 depth:0.9- 1m	cr.sect.wid 4.4cm
57	body	Medium size vessel body sherd. Its surface is flattened. The edges are crossed by a faceted stripe. The clay is dense. The colour is creamy. The walls are thick.	Unit 12 depth:40cm	wall th1.1cm
58	rim	A small vessel's rim sherd. The rim, which has slight welt, is bent outward. There are askew notched line patterns over the rim. The low neck goes gradually into the shoulder. There is a gravelly sand admixture in the clay composition.	Unit 14 depth:60cm	neck h1cm wall th0.7cm
59	rim	Little vessel's rim sherd. The rim is slightly bent outward. The rim has a welt. The low neck goes gradually into the shoulder. The colour is dark pink.		neck h1.1cm wall th1cm
60	spindle whorl	Round and flat spindle whorl made of a white limestone. There is a hole in its protuberant middle section. Figure 4.3, 25.	Unit 16 depth:70cm	d3.6cm
61	rim	Sherds of a vessel's rim (4 items). The rim is slightly bent outward. The rim was flattened. The vessel is roughly made. There are sand are vegetative admixtures in the clay composition. The walls are thick. The colour is light pink.	Unit 5 depth:1.1m	wall th1.7cm
62	body	Medium size vessel's body sherd. The body apparently has a cylindrical shape. The rim is vertical and thin. It goes directly into the body. The body's walls thicken downward. The vessel is roughly made. There are gravelly sand and vegetative admixtures in the clay composition. The colour is pink.	Unit 5 depth:1.1m	wall th1.1- 1.7cm
63	rim	Two parts of a large pitcher-type vessel's rim. The round rim goes directly into the neck or the body. The roughly made vessel was baked in an unstable temperature. The walls are thick. There are gravelly sand and vegetative admixtures in the clay composition. The colour is pink. The rim is wide.	Unit 5 depth:1.1m	wall th2.5cm
64	pitcher	Sherd of a large pitcher-type vessel's rim. The rim is wide and bent laterally. A welt was applied upon the rim in the four-cornered shape. There is sand admixture in the clay composition. The colour is pink. The item is covered with whitish engobed coating on the inside.	Unit 5 depth:1.1m	
65	neck	Sherd of an average size pitcher-type vessel's wide neck. The rim is slightly bent laterally. The rim has a welt. The low neck smoothly transforms into the body. There is a gravelly sand admixture in the clay composition. The colour is pink. Traces of soot remained on the surface.	Unit 5 depth:1.1m	wall th1cm neck h3.5cm
66	neck	Small vessel neck sherd. The rim is slightly inclined laterally. The rim has a welt. The neck smoothly transforms into the body. There is a gravelly sand admixture in the clay composition. The colour is pink on the inside and brown on the outside. Traces of burning remained on the surface.	Unit 5 depth:1.1m	neck h4cm wall th0.8cm
67	body	Body sherd of a vessel with a wide rim. The neck broadens outward. The upper part is torn off. The walls are thick. The colour is pink.	Unit 5 depth:1.1m	wall th1cm
68	lid	Disc-like shaped vessel lid. The bottom part is flat, while the upper part is slightly protuberant. There is a hook-like handle with a hole in the middle in the central part of the upper side. The item is of high quality. There are traces of soot upon the edges. The colour is pink.		d14.2cm

No.	Туре	Description	Unit/Depth	Dimensions
69	milk	Sherds of a milk pail-type clay vessel. The rim has a welt. It	Unit 5	orif.d17cm
	pail-type	goes directly into the cylindrical body. There is a vertically	depth: 1.1	wall th0.8cm
	vessel	attached hook-like handle upon the body below the rim. The rim		
		is wide. The colour is pink. There is a gravelly sand admixture		
		in the clay composition. There are traces of significant burning		
70	shoulder	on the surface. Figure 17. Vessel shoulder sherd. There are two parallel scratched lines		wall th1.4cm
70	Snoulder	adjacent to the neck. It was baked in an unstable temperature		wall tri1.4cm
		regime. The colour is light brown on the outside and light pink		
		on the inside. There are traces of soot on the surface.		
71	body	Kheyre body sherd. The rim is slightly inclined inward. The	Unit 16	wall th0.9cm
		round rim goes directly into the body. The latter broadens	depth: 1 m	
		outwards. The colour is dark pink. It is covered with scale on		
		the inside. There are also traces of burning all over the inside		
		and outside surface.		
72	body	Sherds of an average size, thin wall vessel's body. The rim is		orif.d11cm
		wide. The rim is slightly bent outward. The vessel has a		wall th0.5cm
		cylindrical shape. There are two model papillae below the rim.		base d10cm
		The colour is greyish-brown. The vessel has a vertically		
		attached, hook-like shaped handle connecting the rim with the body. The base is wide and flat.		
73	body	Sherds of a little vessel's body. The body is rather convex.		wall th0.5cm
	,	There is a pair of protrusions upon it. Only the base part of one		
		of them remained intact. The base is narrow and flat. The		
		colour is greyish-brown.		
74	neck	Two sherds of a large vessel's neck. The high and cylindrical		neck h8.5cm
		neck transforms smoothly into the shoulder. The rim is slightly		wall th0.5-
		bent outward. The rim is round. The colour is pink. There are		0.8cm
75	1:4	traces of soot all over the vessel.		d 20 ama
75	lid	Three sherds of a vessel lid. The disc-like shaped lid is flat on		d20cm wall th0.9cm
		both sides. The colour is pink. There are traces of significant burning all over the surface.		Wall III0.9CIII
76	body	Little biconic vessel's body sherd. The body becomes slightly		wall th0.7cm
1,0	body	convex after the neck and narrows downward. The neck is wide		Wall til. 0.7 olli
		and low. The rim, which has a welt, is oriented outward. The rim		
		is connected with the body's upper part by a little hook-like		
		shaped handle, which is positioned vertically. The colour is		
		grey. There are traces of burning over the vessel. The item is		
		of high quality.		
77	neck	Small vessel neck sherd. The wide and low neck crosses over		neck h2cm
		into the body, which is slightly convex. The rim is slightly bent		wall th0.7-
78	body	outward. The rim is round. The colour is light pink.		1cm
10	body	Sherd of a small vessel's convex body. The neck gradually goes into the body. The colour is dark pink. Traces of soot		wall th0.5- 0.7cm
		remained on the surface.		0.7 0111
79	cutting	Two-faceted cutting tool sherd made of transparent obsidian.		width-1.4cm
-	tool	One of its sides is flat, while the other one is protuberant. The		
		edges are sharp.		
80	body	Kheyre-type vessel's body sherd. The rim goes directly into the	Unit 19	wall th0.6cm
		body. The body expands upward. There are sand and	depth:40-	
		vegetative admixtures in the clay composition. The colour is	60cm	
04		pink-brown.	11-40	
81	neck	Neck sherd of an average size vessel with a wide rim. The low	Unit 19	neck h3.1cm
		neck transforms directly into the shoulder after descending at	depth:40- 60cm	wall th0.7cm
		the right angle. The rim is straight. The rim is smooth. The colour is light pink. The surface is covered with scale.	JUGITI	
82	rim	Rim sherd of a small vessel. The round rim slightly protrudes	Unit 19	wall th0.8cm
52	''''	outward. The colour is pink. Traces of soot remained on the	depth:40-	0.0011
		item.	60cm	
83	body	Small vessel body sherd. The body is slightly convex. There is	Unit 19	wall th0.4cm
		an encrusted pattern resembling the letter V comprised of	depth:40-	
		dotted parallel lines upon the rim. It is white on the inside. The	60cm	
		item is of high quality.		

No.	Туре	Description	Unit/Depth	Dimensions
84	spindle	Wheel-shaped spindle whorl made of a river rock. The	Unit 19	d5cm
	whorl	smoothened edges form acute angles. There is a hole in the	depth:40-	
		protuberant middle section. A part of the edges is torn off. The colour is whitish-grey. Figure 4.2, 27.	60cm	
85	spindle	Spindle whorl made of limestone. It is shaped as a wheel. The	Unit 19	d 4.5cm
	whorl	smoothened edges form angles. There is a hole in the	depth:40-	
		protuberant middle section. The colour is white. Figure 4.1, 26.	60cm	
86	catapult	Round-shaped catapult stone made of a river rock.	Unit 19	
	stone		depth:40-	
87	base	Medium size vessel's base sherd. The base is wide and flat.	60cm Unit 19	w.th1-1.7cm
07	base	The body broadens outward slightly and further goes upward.	depth:40-	w.uii-i./Cili
		The roughly made item is of low quality. The colour is light	60cm	
		brown. There are traces of significant burning throughout the		
		surface.		
88	neck	Medium size vessel's neck sherd. The rim is slightly oriented	Unit 19	w.th0.7cm
		outward. The rim is round. The colour is dark pink. Traces of soot remained on the item.	depth:40- 60cm	
89	rim	Rim sherd of a little kheyre or bowl-type vessel. It was once part	Unit 19	
		of a vessel with a wide rim. The round rim goes directly into the	depth:40-	
		body. The body expands outwards. There are traces of soot	60cm	
00		upon the item. The colour is dark pink.	11.11.46	
90	salt	Little salt shaker-type vessel's rim sherd. The straight rim goes directly into the body. The body expands upward. The colour is	Unit 19	w.th0.7
	shaker- type	pink. Traces of soot and burning remained on the item.	depth:40- 60cm	
	vessel	print. Traces of soot and burning remained on the item.	000111	
	rim			
91	bod	Tiny vessel's body sherd. The round rim is slightly inclined	Unit 19	wall th0.5cm
		outward. It crosses over directly into the low neck, while the	depth:40-	
		latter goes into the body, which is slightly convex. The baked item is of high quality. The colour is grey.	60cm	
92	cutting	Part of a one-faceted cutting tool made of a whitish flintstone.	Unit 19	width-1.2-
02	tool	The bottom part is flat, while the faceted part is protuberant.	depth:40-	1.4cm
		One of the edges is bent downward. The edges are sharp.	60cm	
		Traces of reinforcing substance remained on one of the sides.		
93	catapult stone	Catapult stone made of a rounded, grey coloured river rock.	Unit 19 depth:40-	d3cm
	Storie		60cm	
94	body	Vessel body sherd with a spherical shape. There is a gravelly	Unit 18	wall th0.8cm
		sand admixture in the clay composition. The colour is pink.	depth:20-	
		There are traces of soot all over the surface. The neck smoothly	50cm	
0.5		transforms into the shoulder.	11	
95	rim	Sherd of a vessel's wide rim. The rim is smooth. A model papilla ornament was applied below the rim. The vessel is	Unit 18 depth:20-	wall th1.3cm
		roughly made. There is significant gravelly sand admixture in	50cm	
		the clay composition. The colour is light pink. The walls are		
		thick.		
96	neck	Neck sherd of a medium size pitcher-type vessel. The rim is	Unit 18	wall th0.7cm
		bent outward slightly. The edges are round. The low neck transforms smoothly into the shoulder. The colour is pink.	depth:20- 50cm	neck h3.4cm
		Traces of white engobed coating are seen on the outside	300111	
		surface.		
97	neck	Neck sherd of a medium size vessel with thick walls. The rim is	Unit 18	neck h3cm
		bent outward slightly. The rim was made thinner. The low neck	depth:20-	wall th1cm
		goes smoothly into the shoulder. The colour is brown. The outside surface is polished. It is completely burnt on the inside.	50cm	
98	base	Medium size vessel's base sherd. The base is wide and flat.	Unit 18	wall th1cm
		The body broadens outward sharply. There is sand admixture in	depth:20-	
		the clay composition. The colour is brown. The outside surface	50cm	
		is completely burned down. The walls are thick.	11. 11. 46	
99	rim	A little salt shaker-type vessel's rim sherd. The rim, which has a	Unit 18	wall th0.5cm
		welt, is bent outward. The rim is wide. The colour is pitch black. The surface is polished.	depth:20- 50cm	
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No.	Туре	Description	Unit/Depth	Dimensions
100	handle	Vessel handle sherd. The tape-shaped item is attached to the	Unit 18	cross sect
		vessel vertically. The colour is pink. The surface is covered with	depth:20-	2.5cm
		yellowish engobed coating.	50cm	
101	body	Body sherd of a thick wall vessel. There is a faceted stripe over	Unit 18	wall th1cm
		it. The colour is grey. There are traces of burning throughout	depth:20-	
		the surface on both sides.	50cm	
102	body	Vessel body sherd. There is a faceted stripe over it. There is	Unit 18	wall th0.8cm
		fine sand admixture in the clay composition. The colour is grey.	depth:20-	
			50cm	
103	quernsto	Tip of a quernstone made of a grey coloured porous tuff stone.	Unit 18	width-19cm
	ne	It is oval shaped. The upper part is flat and the bottom is	depth:20-	thickness-
		protuberant. Figure 9.2, 30.	50cm	3.5cm
104	base	Thick wall vessel's base sherd. The base is narrow and flat.	Unit 21	wall th1-2cm
		The body broadens outwards. The colour is pink. Most of the	depth:20-	
		surface has burned down.	40cm	
105	lid	Little vessel's lid sherd. It is disc-like shaped. The edge is	Unit 21	wall th1-
		round. The colour is grey. Traces of soot remained on the	depth:20-	1.3cm
		surface.	40cm	
106	body	Body sherd of a little kheyre-type vessel. The base is wide and	Unit 21	h3.5cm
	_	flat. The body broadens outwards. The rim is round. The colour	depth:20-	
		is light pink. The outside surface is polished. Traces of soot	40cm	
		remained on the surface.		
107	base	Small vessel base sherd. The base is narrow and flat. The body	Unit 21	wall th1cm
		broadens upward. The walls are thick. The item is greyish-	depth:20-	
		brown on the outside and orange on the inside. The surface is	40cm	
		polished.		
108	body	Medium size vessel body sherd. The clay composition is clean.		wall th0.7-
		The steadfast item is of high quality. The surface is polished.		1cm
		There are straight and wave-like patterns comprised of parallel		
		scratched lines upon the item. The colour is pink.		
109	lid	Trapezoid vessel lid handle. It's wide in the upper part. One of	Unit 21	h3.3cm
	handle	the sides is flat, while the other one is slightly protuberant. The	depth:20-	width-2.5-3cm
		colour is dark pink.	40cm	
110	shoulder	Shoulder sherd of a medium size, black polished vessel. The	Unit 19	wall th0.6cm
		neck is bent outward. It goes gradually into the shoulder. The	depth:	
		neck part transiting into the shoulder is girdled by two parallel	40-80cm	
		scratched lines. The vessel is of high quality. There are traces		
		of a potter's wheel on the inside. The outside surface is black,		
111		while the inside part is grey.	11 % 40	""
111	body	Vessel body sherd. There is sand admixture in the clay	Unit 19	wall th0.6cm
		composition. The colour is light pink. The item is completely	depth:40-	
		painted black on the inside. Traces of black paint remained on	80cm	
440		the outside surface as well.	11.11.40	0.45.4
112	working	Smashing tool made of an elongated river rock after one of its	Unit 19	8x4,5x4cm
	tool	edges was flattened. Figure 9.3, 28.	depth:40-	
112	hody	Kheyre-type vessel body sherd. The rim is thinning to some	80cm Unit 21	wall th0.6cm
113	body			wall tilU.bciii
		extent. Though the item was baked in unstable temperature conditions, it is of high quality. There are sand and vegetative	depth:60cm	
		admixtures in the clay composition. The outside surface was		
		combed. A trace of soot remained in the rim part. The colour is		
		pink.		
114	neck	Pitcher-type vessel neck sherd. The neck is broad. The rim		wall th1.5cm
	HOOK	broadens outward slightly. The rim is round. The item was		wan an-1.00111
		baked in unstable temperature conditions, but it is of high		
		quality. There are sand and vegetative admixtures in the clay		
		composition. The colour is pink. The outside surface is covered		
		with yellowish engobed coating. The walls are thick.		
115	neck	Neck sherd of a small pitcher-type vessel with a wide rim. The		
113	HOOK	low neck transforms gradually into the shoulder.		
116	rim	Average size pitcher-type vessel's rim sherd. The rim, which		wall th1.2cm
		has a welt, is bent laterally. The rim goes directly into the		
		shoulder. There is fine sand admixture in the clay composition.		
<u> </u>	ļ	shoulder. There is the sund duffixture in the day composition.	ļ	<u> </u>

No.	Туре	Description	Unit/Depth	Dimensions
		The clay is dense. The well baked item is of high quality. It belongs to a thick wall vessel. The colour is black.		
117	base	Base sherd of a large household jug. The base is wide and flat. The body broadens outward and upward. The walls are thick. The item was baked in unstable temperature conditions. There are sand and vegetative admixtures in the clay composition. The colour is pink.	Unit 21 depth:60- 80cm	wall th2cm
118	shoulder	Average size vessel's shoulder sherd. The neck is bent outward. It goes smoothly into the wide shoulder. The item was baked in unstable temperature conditions. It is of high quality. There are sand and vegetative admixtures in the clay composition. The colour is light pink.	Unit 21 depth:60- 80cm	wall th0.8cm
119	neck	Average size vessel's neck sherd. The rim is round. The neck goes smoothly into the shoulder. There is a gravelly sand admixture in the clay composition. There is a hollow with the 1cm diameter below the rim. The colour is red. Traces of soot remained on the surface.	Unit 21 depth:60- 80cm	wall th0.7cm
120	body	Vessel body sherd. There is a model stripe on it decorated on top with depressed dots. There are sand and vegetative admixtures in the clay composition. The colour is light pink.	Unit 21 depth:60- 80cm	wall th0.8cm
121	body	Tray-type vessel's body sherd. Its edges, which had a welt, are separated from the body in the bottom by a groove. It is roughly made. The sides are decorated by patterns comprised of askew dotted lines. The item was baked in unstable temperature conditions. There are sand and vegetative admixtures in the clay composition. The colour is pink.	Unit 21 depth:60- 80cm	wall th1.2cm
122	rim	Rim sherd of a little kheyre-type vessel. The rim is smooth. The vessel is of high quality. The surface is polished. The item is grey on the inside and light pink on the outside. Traces of soot remained on the surface.	Unit 21 depth:60- 80cm	wall th0.7cm
123	rim	Rim sherd of a thin wall vessel. The rim is wide. The edges were made thinner. The item is of high quality. There are sand and vegetative admixtures in the clay composition. The colour is greyish-pink.	Unit 21 depth:60- 80cm	wall th0.4cm
124	rim	Sherd of an average size vessel with a broad rim. The latter is bent outward. The walls are thick. The colour is greyish-pink.	Unit 21 depth:60- 80cm	wall th1.1cm
125	body	Body sherd of a small kheyre-type vessel. The body is thinning upward. The rim is round. It was baked in an unstable temperature. The clay composition includes sand and a vegetative substance. The colour is yellowish-pink.	Unit 21 depth:60- 80cm	wall th0.4- 0.7cm
126	body	Body sherds (3 items) of a big vessel. The clay is dense. The steadfast item is of high quality. The clay colour is grey. The surface was polished black. There is a protruding hole with the 0.6 diameter upon the item.	Unit 21 depth:60- 80cm	wall th1cm
127	whetsto ne	Whetstone of a light grey, elongated and narrow river rock.	Unit 21 depth:60- 80cm	wid3.1cm
128	neck	Pitcher-type vessel neck sherd. The rim, which was made thinner, is rugged. The low and wide neck smoothly crosses over into the shoulder. There are gravelly sand and vegetative admixtures in the clay composition. The colour is pink.	Unit 18 depth:1.1- 1.2cm	neck h5cm wall th0.5- 1cm
129	body	Average size vessel's body sherd. The neck is bent outward. It goes directly into the body. The walls are thin. There are sand and vegetative admixtures in the clay composition. There are traces of scale upon the surface. The colour is yellowish-pink.	Unit 21 depth:60- 80cm	wall th0.6cm
130	rim	Rim sherd of a thick wall jug-type vessel. The rim is round. It was baked in an unstable temperature. There are sand and vegetative admixtures in the clay composition. The vessel is roughly made. The colour is dark pink.	Unit 21 depth:60- 80cm	wall th2.2cm
131	body	A small vessel body sherd. The rim is flat. It goes directly into the body. There is a row of rather protruding ornaments below the rim. The colour is light brown. There is a trace of soot on the item. The vessel is of high quality.	Unit 21 depth:60- 80cm	wall th0.5cm

No.	Туре	Description	Unit/Depth	Dimensions
132	rim	Rim sherd of a thick wall vessel. The rim is slightly bent	Unit 21	wall th1-
		outward. The rim is torn off. There is a model chain-like stripe	depth:60-	1.3cm
		underneath. The item is grey on the inside and pink on the outside.	80cm	
133	bod	Milk pail-type vessel's body sherd. The rim is straight. The	Unit 21	wall th1cm
1.00	Dod	vessel was baked in unstable temperature conditions. It is	depth:60-	Wan an Tom
		roughly made. There are sand and vegetative admixtures in the	80cm	
		clay composition. The surface is combed. The colour is light		
10.1		pink.		
134	milk	Milk pail-type vessel body sherd. The rim is smooth. It goes		wall th1cm
	pail-type vessel	directly into the body. The vessel was baked in unstable temperature conditions. There are sand and vegetative		
	700001	admixtures in the clay composition. There is a row of ornaments		
		comprised of protruding holes below the rim. The surface was		
		combed. There are traces of burning on it. The colour is light		
125	body	pink. Figure 21.	Linit 10	wall the O Fam
135	body	Cylinder-shaped vessel body sherd. The rim was made thinner. There are sand and vegetative admixtures in the clay	Unit 19 depth:1.1m	wall th0.5cm
		composition. The wall is thin. The colour is light pink. Traces of	αοραί. 1. 1111	
		soot remained on the item.		
136	base	Base sherd of a thick wall vessel. The base is oval. The colour	Unit19	wall th1-
		is dark pink.	depth:1.1-	1.6cm
137	rim	Rim sherd of a vessel. The rim is wide. The smooth rim is	1.7m Unit 19	wall th1.2cm
137	11111	oriented inward. The vessel was baked in unstable temperature	depth:1.1-	wan un-1.2011
		conditions. There are sand and vegetative admixtures in the	1.7m	
		clay composition. The surface was combed. The colour is grey.		
138	rim	Rim sherd of a little vessel. The rim is wide. The rim is round	Unit 19	wall th0.5cm
		and inclined inward. The body is vertically grooved below the	depth:1.1-	
139	body	rim. The item is of high quality. The colour is light brown. Body sherd of a large jug. The rim is bent outward. The rim is	1.7m Unit 21	neck h5cm
100	body	round. The low and wide neck smoothly goes into the shoulder.	depth:1.1cm	wall th1cm
		The surface was combed. There are sand and vegetative	'	
		admixtures in the clay composition. The colour is dark pink. The		
110	n a alc	surface is covered with yellowish engobed coating.	Unit 19	maak b 2 0am
140	neck	Neck sherd of a large pitcher-type vessel. The low, wide neck is bent outward. The rim is torn off. The neck goes gradually into	depth:1.1-	neck h3.8cm
		the shoulder. The vessel was baked in unstable temperature	1.7m	
		conditions. There are sand and vegetative admixtures in the		
		clay composition. The colour is pink.	11.11.15	1.1.1.1.
141	body	Medium size vessel body sherd. It is cylinder-shaped. The	Unit 19	height-16cm
		thinning rim is slightly inclined inward. It transforms directly into the body. The base was apparently oval. There are sand and	depth:1.1- 1.7m	wall th1cm
		vegetative admixtures in the clay composition. The vessel was		
		baked in unstable temperature conditions. The colour is grey on		
4		the inside and pink on the outside.	11.11.12	11.0
142	shoulder	Shoulder sherd of a small dopu-type vessel. The rim is bent	Unit 19	wall th
		laterally. The rim is round. The low neck goes smoothly into the shoulder. There are sand and vegetative admixtures in the clay	depth:1.1- 1.7m	0.3cm
		composition. The item is of high quality. The wall is thin. Traces		
		of soot remained on the surface. The colour is pink.		
143	model	Sherd of a model stripe applied on a vessel. It is shaped as a	Unit19	width-1.5cm
	clay	chain comprised of depressed hollows. It's roughly made. The	depth:1.1- 1.7m	
	orname nt	vessel was baked in unstable temperature conditions. The colour is pink.	1.7111	
144	body	Body sherd of an average size cylindrical vessel. The smooth	Unit 19	wall th0.5cm
		rim goes directly into the body. The item is of high quality. The	depth:1.1-	
		wall is thin. The colour is grey on the inside and pink on the	1.7m	
		outside. Traces of soot and burning remained on the item. The		
145	neck	surface is polished. Neck sherd of a big vessel. The neck is bent outward sharply. It	Unit 19	wall th0.8cm
'-3	TICON	goes directly into the shoulder. The rim is round. Traces of	depth:1.1-	neck h6cm
		combing are seen on the inside. The colour is light pink.	1.7m	2 - 111
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No.	Туре	Description	Unit/Depth	Dimensions
146	neck	Neck sherd of an average size vessel. It apparently crosses	Unit 19	neck h6cm
		over into the shoulder gradually. The rim is smooth. The vessel	depth:1.1- 1.7m	wall th0.6cm
		is of high quality. The colour is grey on the inside and pink on the outside.	1.7111	
147	body	Body sherd of a small vessel with a convex body. The item was	Unit 19	wall th0.5cm
		baked in unstable temperature conditions, but it is of high	depth:1.1-	
140	boud	quality. The sherd has an oval shape. The colour is dark pink.	1.7m Unit 19	boight 4
148	bowl- type	Little bowl or piyale-type vessel's half-part. The sides broaden outward slightly. The rim is round. There is an ornament below	depth:1.2-	height-4cm base diameter-
	vessel	the rim comprised of a row of protruding dots, which encircle	1.7cm	1.2cm
		the vessel's body. The base is wide and flat. It extends beyond		
		the body slightly. The vessel is somewhat roughly made. There		
		are sand and vegetative admixtures in the clay composition. The colour is dark pink on the inside and grey on the outside.		
		The vessel is covered with whitish engobed coating on the		
		outside. There are traces of soot on the vessel.		
149	body	Sherds of a bowl-type vessel body. The rim is round. It goes	Unit 23	h8cm
		directly into the body. The latter descends at the right angle. The rim is wide. The base is torn off. The surface is polished on	depth:60- 70cm	wall th1cm
		both sides. There are traces of soot throughout the vessel's	7 00111	
		outside surface. Figure 20.		
150	neck	Vessel neck sherd. The rim is wide. The rim is round. The rim is		
		bent outward slightly. The low neck goes smoothly into the wide shoulder. There are sand and vegetative admixtures in the clay		
		composition. The colour is pink.		
151	neck	Thick wall vessel's neck sherd. The rim is broken. The low and		wall th1.8cm
		wide neck goes smoothly into the shoulder. There is a model		
		chain-like stripe on the surface. The colour is light pink. The surface is covered with whitish engobed coating.		
152	rim	Small vessel rim sherd. The rim is round. The body broadens		wall th1cm
	, i	outwards on the way up. The wall is thick. The surface is		
		polished. The colour is light pink on the inside and grey on the		
153	plate	outside. Plate-type vessel's rim sherd. The rim is round. The body		wall th0.8cm
100	Piato	broadens outwards. The colour is grey.		wan an-o.oon
154	neck	Neck sherd of a small thin wall vessel. Its rim became thinner. It		wall th0.4cm
455	ma al:	is funnel-shaped. The colour is grey.		neck h3.5cm
155	neck	Small vessel rim sherd. The rim is straight. There are sand and vegetative admixtures in the clay composition. The colour is		wall th0.8cm
		light pink. There is an incompletely opened, two-sided hole on		
		the item.		
156	vessel	Clay item. The vessel has a skew rim. The rim is round. It		wall th
		apparently expands outward from the bottom. The colour is dark pink.		0.7-1cm
157	grinder	Grindstone of a river rock. The upper part is protuberant and		8.2x7,1x5cm
		convenient for holding it in hand. The bottom part is flat. There		
450	ALLC *** - 1 -	are traces of processing on it.		thicks
158	quernsto ne	Fragment of a quernstone of a porous tuff rock. Its side and edges were flattened.		thickness- 3-3.7cm
159	whetsto	Whetstone fragment of an elongated and narrow river rock. The		cross
	ne	upper part is protuberant, while the bottom part is flat.		sect.wid4cm
160	neck	Neck sherd of a vessel with a wide rim. The rim is slightly	Unit 23	neck h5cm
		inclined outward. The rim is round. The low neck goes smoothly into the shoulder. The vessel was baked in unstable	depth:1- 1.1m	
		temperature conditions, but it is of high quality. The colour is	1.1111	
		brown.		
161	lid	Sherd of a vessel lid. It was disc-like shaped. Both sides are	Unit 23	wall th1.2cm
		flat. The edge was smoothened. The upper side is polished.	depth:1- 1.1m	
		The colour is pink. There are traces of burning all over the surface.	1.1111	
162	body	Body sherd of a bowl-type vessel. The body broadens outwards	Unit 23	wall th0.5cm
		slightly. The rim is round. The wall is thin. The colour is brown.	depth:1-	
<u></u>		There are traces of burning all over the inside part.	1.1m	

No.	Туре	Description	Unit/Depth	Dimensions
163	body	Little vessel body sherd. The body is convex. The wall is thin.	Unit 23	wall th0.3-
		The colour is pink. The inside part is covered with grey engobed	depth:1-	0.5cm
101		coating. The walls are thinning further upward.	1.1m	
164	strainer	Strainer-type vessel body sherd. The body broadens outwards.	Unit 23	wall th1cm
		The rim is smooth. It was once part of a small vessel. There is a	depth:1- 1.1m	
		hole in the protruding surface. The colour is greyish-pink. It is	1. IM	
		burnt on the inside. Traces of combing are visible on the item. Figure 4.6, 23.		
165	neck	Large vessel neck sherd. The broad neck smoothly crosses	Unit 25	wall th1m
100	HOOK	over into the shoulder. There is a roughly made model stripe	depth: 1-	Wan an. Tim
		with depressed dots inside over the part transiting into the	1.1m	
		shoulder. The vessel's walls are thick. The colour is pink. The		
		surface is covered with white engobed coating.		
166	body	Sherd of a pitcher-type vessel body's lower part. The body		wall th1cm
		broadens upward from the base. The base is flat. The colour is		
		pale pink. The surface is polished. Traces of soot remained on		
107	n a alc	the surface.		naakh Fam
167	neck	Neck sherd of a medium size pitcher-type vessel. The low and wide neck goes smoothly into the shoulder. The rim broadens		neck h5cm wall th0.5cm
		outward slightly. The rim is smooth. The sherd was part of a		wall til0.5cm
		thin wall vessel. The item is of high quality. The colour is pink.		
168	body	Body sherd of a vessel with a wide rim. It is cylinder-shaped.	Unit 27	wall th0.5cm
	,	The round rim is inclined inward. It goes directly into the body. It	depth: 1-	
		was baked in an unstable temperature regime. The colour is	1.1m	
		light pink. The walls are thin.		
169	neck	Neck sherd of a small vessel with a wide rim. The low and wide	Unit 27	neck h3.5cm
		neck smoothly goes into the shoulder. The rim is flat. The	depth: 1-	wall th0.5cm
470	la a ala c	vessel is of high quality. The colour is light pink.	1.1m	
170	body	Body sherd of a milk pail-type vessel. The rim is wide. The thinning rim is slightly oriented inward. It goes directly into the	Unit 27 depth: 1-	wall th0.5cm
		body. The latter apparently narrows downward. The body's	1.1m	
		upper part is girdled by a row of protruding holes. The walls are	1.1111	
		thin. The surface was combed. The colour is light grey. Traces		
		of burning remained on the outside surface. Figure 3.2, 22.		
171	rim	Rim sherd of a small salt shaker-type vessel. The smooth rim is	Unit 27	wall th0.8cm
		oriented inward. It goes directly into the body. The item is of	depth: 1-	
		high quality. The colour is blackish and dark brown. The surface	1.1m	
470		is polished on both sides.	11 11 07	"" 0 5
172	neck	Thin wall vessel's neck sherd. The neck is funnel-shaped. The thin rim goes directly into the neck. The item is of high quality.	Unit 27	wall th0.5cm
		The colour is light pink. The surface is covered with grey	depth: 1- 1.1m	
		engobed coating on both sides. Two rows of round-shaped,	1.1111	
		descending signs were applied vertically in grey paint on the		
		inside.		
173	tool	Round-shaped river rock. There is a dent on it.	Unit 27	diameter-2cm
			depth: 1-	
			1.1m	
174	handle	Hook-like handle that was part of a medium size vessel. It	Unit 20	diam.:
		connected the rim with the body. Its cross section is tape-	depth:40-	inside-2.5cm
		shaped. The item is of high quality. The surface is polished. The vessel's colour is light pink on the inside and grey on the	60cm	outside-3.5cm
		outside.		
175	body	Body sherd of a little boiler-type vessel. The smooth rim directly	Unit 20	wall th0.7cm
	,	crosses over into the body. There is a pair of protrusions over	depth:40-	3.7 5111
		the rim. The body, which is rather convex, narrows downward	60cm	
		and the surface is polished. The item is of high quality. The		
		vessel's colour is light pink. It is entirely covered with scale on		
		the inside. There are traces of soot over the vessel.		
176	cutting	Part of a two-faceted cutting tool of black coloured obsidian.	Unit 20	width-2.2cm
	tool	One of the sides is flat, while the faceted part is protuberant.	depth:40-	
177	amira al c :-	The item has barbed edges.	60cm	diameter 7
177	grinder	Grinder made using a round-shaped river rock. Both the upper	Unit 20 depth:0.8-	diameter-7cm
		and bottom parts are flattened.	1m	
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No.	Туре	Description	Unit/Depth	Dimensions
178	Sickle tooth	Sickle tooth of a greyish flintstone. Traces of a white coloured reinforcing substance remained upon the upper side, which is protuberant. The item has barbed edges.		width-1.5cm
179	neck s	Two neck sherds of a large household jug. The low and wide neck smoothly goes into the shoulder. The shoulder is encircled by a model stripe, which is decorated on top with depressed dents. The colour is pink. The rim is slanted outward slightly. The edge was made thinner. The item is of high quality.	Unit 25 depth:1.1m	neck h9.7cm wall th1.2m
180	neck	Large vessel neck sherd. The cylindrical and low neck goes smoothly into the shoulder. The rim is slanted outward slightly. The edges were made thinner. The colour is light pink. Traces of soot remained on the surface.	Unit 25 depth:1.1m	neck h8cm wall th1m
181	Body	Body sherd of a small pitcher-type vessel. The rim is bent outward slightly. The neck is low and wide. The slightly convex body is separated from the neck in the terrace shape. The item is of high quality. Polished on the inside. The colour is pink.	Unit 19a inside furnace	neck h1.5cm wall th0.9cm
182	boiler	Small boiler-type vessel body sherd. The neck is low and wide. The body is separated from the neck in the shape of a protuberance. It narrows downward. The rim is round. There is a tiny symbolic hook-like handle connecting the rim with the body's upper part. Evidently, the handle was used to hang the vessel above the furnace. The vessel is of perfect quality. The colour is grey. The surface is polished on both sides.	Unit 19a inside furnace	neck h1cm wall th0.5cm
183	handle	Little vessel handle. It is hook-like shaped. The rim is bent outward. The neck smoothly transforms into the shoulder. The handle connected the rim and the shoulder. The vessel is of perfect quality. The colour is pink.	Unit 19a inside furnace	neck height- 0.5cm wall th1cm
184 - 186	cutting tools	Three fragments of a one-faceted cutting tool of transparent obsidian. Two of the items have barbed edges, while the other one has a smooth lateral part.	Unit 25 depth:1.1m	width- 184-1cm 185-1.8cm 186-1cm

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8.2 ILLUSTRATIONS

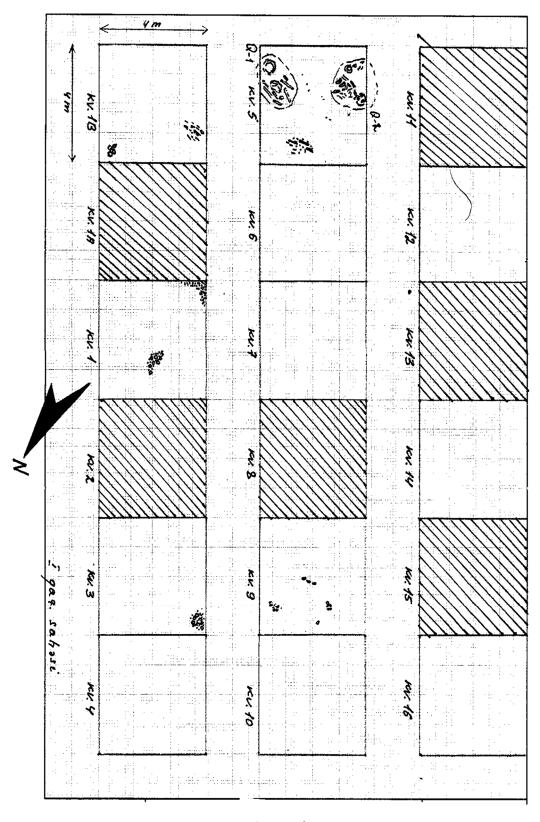


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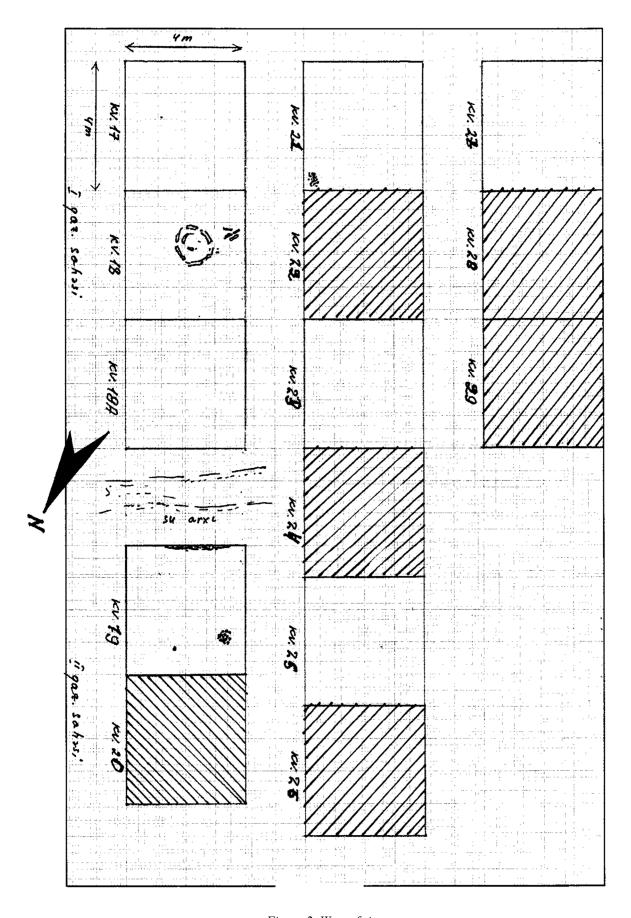


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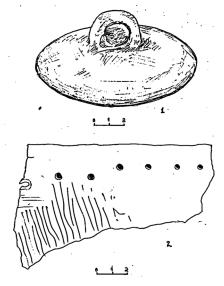


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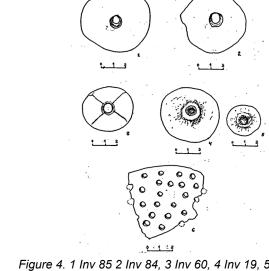
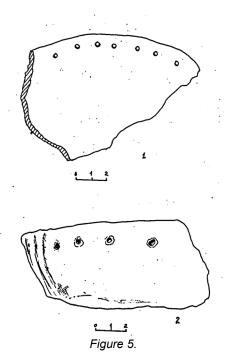


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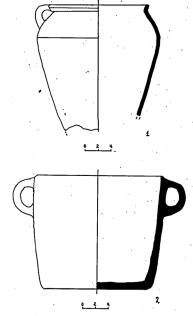


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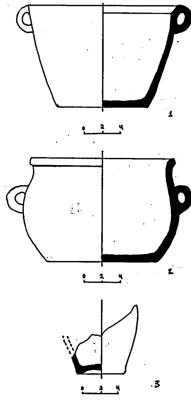


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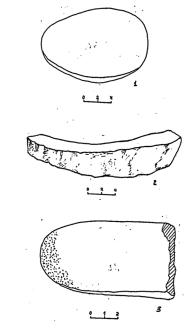
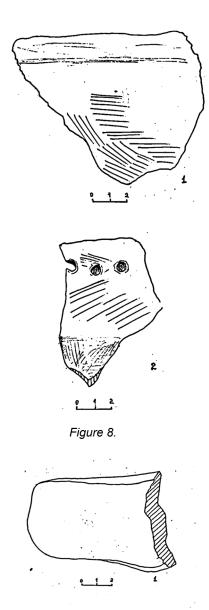


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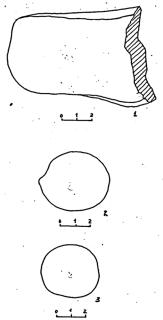


Figure 10. 1 Inv 15, 2 Inv x

8.3 PHOTOGRAPHS



Figure 11. Chalcolithic boiler-type vessel



Figure 12. Chalcolithic boiler-type vessel.



Figure 13. Early Bronze Age vessel Inv 8.



Figure 14. Early Bronze Age vessel Inv 39.



Figure 15. Chalcolithic plate-type vessel.



Figure 16. Chalcolithic plate-type vessel.



Figure 17. Early Bronze Age vessel Inv 69.



Figure 18. Lid. Inv 68.



Figure 19. Grave 2 goblet-type vessel Inv 46.



Figure 20. Pottery sherds Inv 149.



Figure 21. Chalcolithic vessel with holes in rim Inv 134.



Figure 22. Chalcolithic vessel with holes in rim Inv 170.



Figure 23. Strainer-type ceramic vessel Inv 164.



Figure 24. Grave 2, clay spindle whorls Inv 19, 20.



Figure 25. Limestone spindle whorl Inv 60.



Figure 26. Limestone spindle whorl Inv 85.



Figure 27. Grey river rock spindle whorl Inv 84.



Figure 28. Stone working tool Inv 112.



Figure 30. Boat shaped lower quernstone Inv 103.



Figure 29. Stone working tool Inv 15.



Figure 31. Grinder Inv 52.