STATEMENT – II

(Statement indicating the sources of information and the extent to which the thesis is based on the work of others and the portion of the thesis claimed as original.)

The study is based on artifacts (movable and immovable) and other related data collected from archaeological sites in Gujarat through systematic explorations and excavations. This data includes information on fauna, flora, climate and landforms. Published books, reports, reviews and articles on previous researches in Gujarat helped in understanding the environmental and archaeological aspects, formulating strategies of exploration, data collection, artifact analysis and data analysis. For comparison and correlation of artifact data, excavation reports of Bet Dwarka, Dhatva, Jokha, Kanewal, Kuntasi, Langhnaj, Lothal, Malvan, Nageswar, Oriyo Timbo, Rangpur, Rojdi, Somnath and Surkotada were referred. Following is the list of selected references consulted for this study.


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The portion of thesis claimed as original is surveys carried out by the investigator in different regions of Gujarat and re-analysis of indigenous Chalcolithic pottery and various artifacts from selected sites. The artifacts collected from various sites by the investigator and institutions, its analyses, interpretation and comparison with other sites in the best possible mode forms the novel part of the thesis. An attempt is also made to identify various regions occupied by the Chalcolithic communities from Pre Urban Harappan to Post Urban Harappan period. Creation of regional stratigraphy and chronology based on chronometric and relative dates are also to be considered as original contributions of this work.