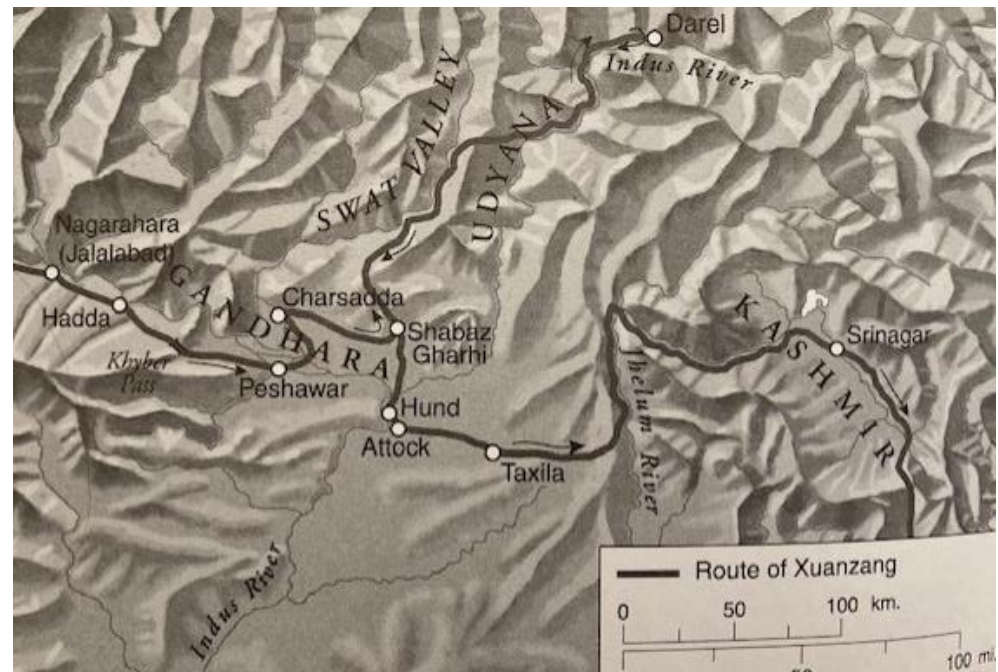


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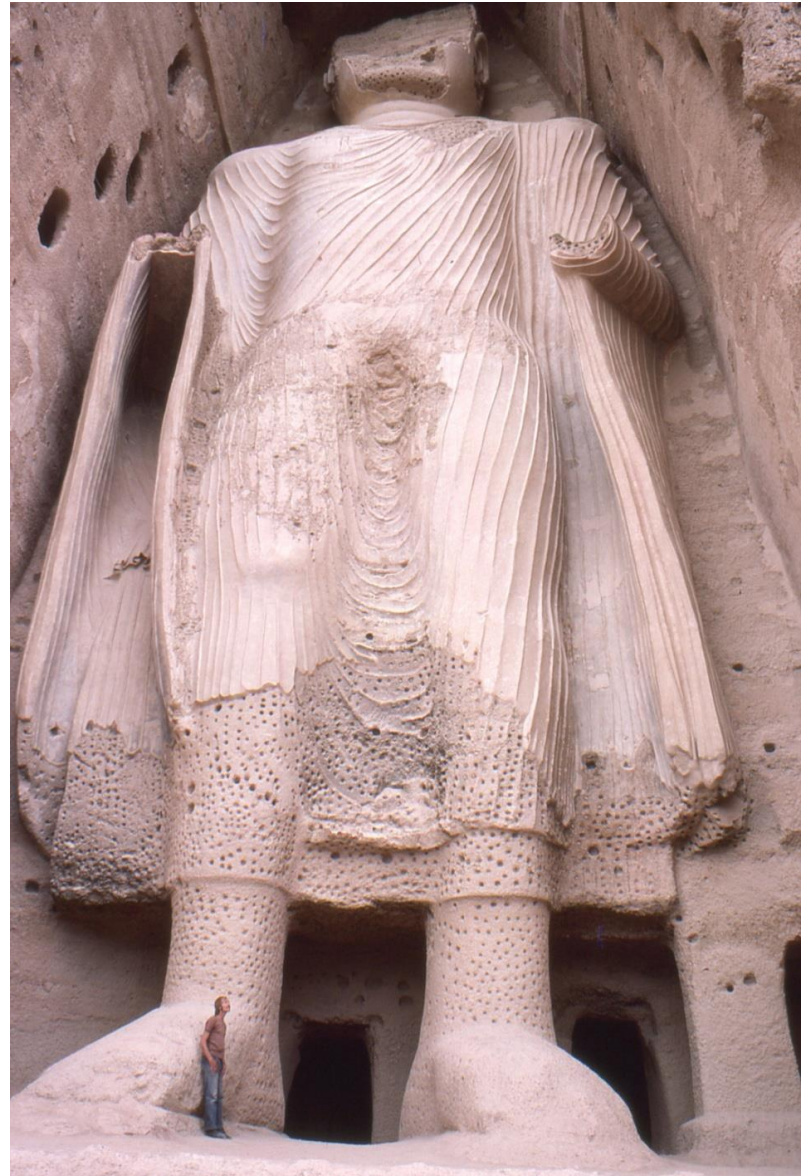
Handout # 3

Samarkand to Kashmir





Tall Buddha, 175' (1963)



Shorter Buddha 125' (1977)

Buddhas at Bamiyan prior to 2001

Kushan Empire 1st-3rd c





“The Buddha’s images are magnificent, having been made with perfect craftsmanship.” X



The Buddha

Topknot= ushnisha

Forehead dot = urna

Long earlobes (his past as a prince)

Simple robes

Bare feet

Gandhara 2nd-3rd century



Bodhisattva

Being who has achieved Enlightenment, but elects to stay in this world to help others achieve Enlightenment. Highly compassionate.

Bodhi = wisdom

Sattva = essence

Dressed like princes

Bodhisattva Maitreya, Gandhara
2nd-3rd c, schist, NS



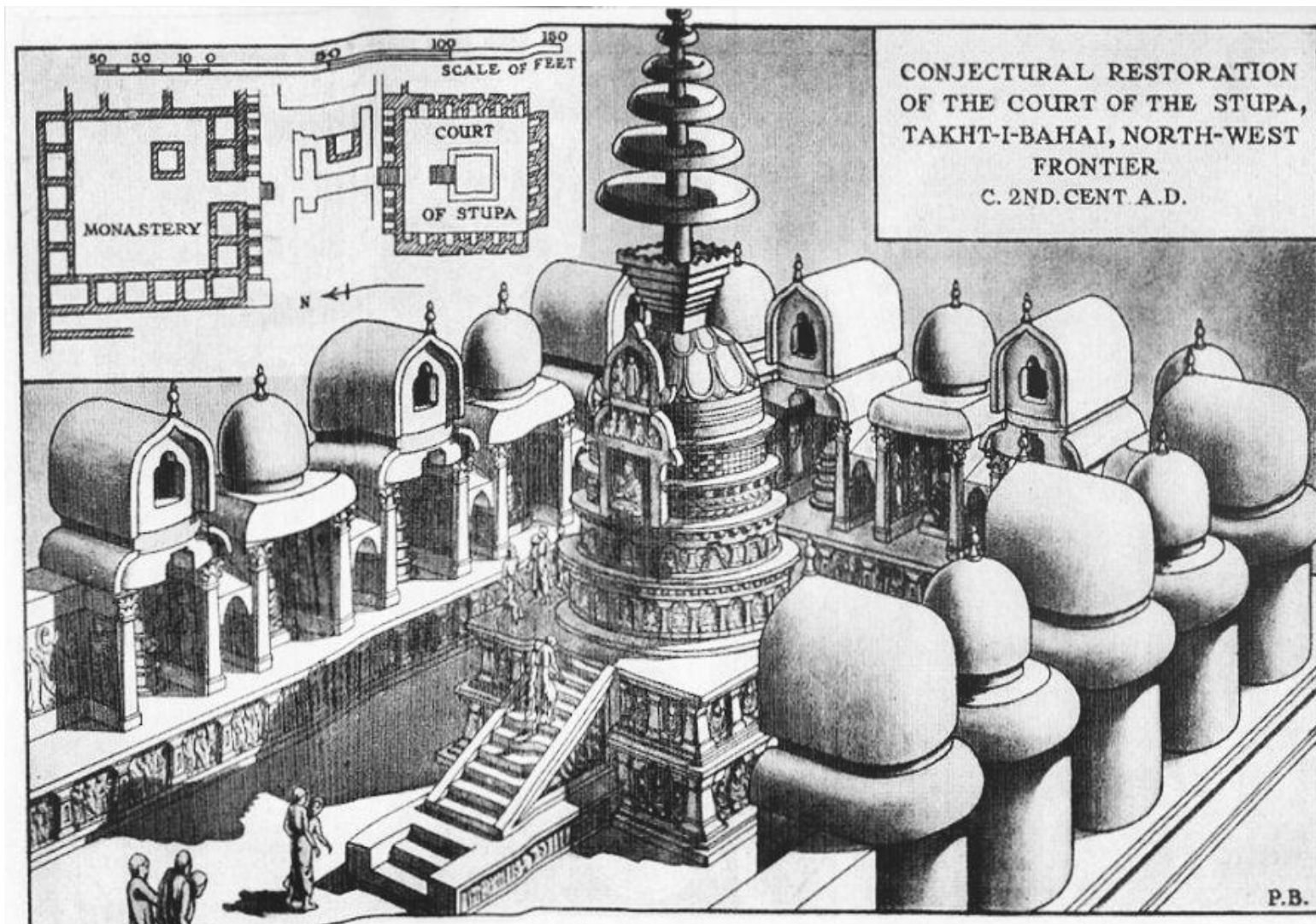
Votive Stupa,
Lorian Tangai
Gandhara 1st-3rd c ad



Dharmarajika Stupa, Taxila



Fig. 2. The Dharmarajika stupa c



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