



Jean-François JARRIGE

### **Curriculum vitae**

Born: August, 5th, 1940

Married to Catherine Jarrige, archaeologist, Dy. Director of the French Archaeological Mission to Pakistan, member of the National Council of Scientific Research (CNRS) and Chevalier of Légion d'Honneur. Two daughters.

### **Studies**

1961 : admitted in the curatorial course of Ecole du Louvre

1965 : Licence-ès-lettres. University of Paris, la Sorbonne

1967 : Diploma of Ecole du Louvre

1966 : Diploma of Indian Studies (Sanskrit), University of Lyon

1971 : Doctorate in Oriental Archaeology. University of Paris

### **Field-activities**

1963-65 : excavations at Nindowari, Balochistan (Pakistan), under J.-M. Casal,

1969-74 : excavations at Pirak, Balochistan (as field-director from 1973)

1974-85 : excavations at Mehrgarh, Balochistan

1985-97 : excavations at Nausharo, Balochistan

1997-2000: new excavations at Mehrgarh-Neolithic.

### **Positions**

1965 : Appointed as research assistant in the C.N.R.S. (National Council of Scientific Research)

1967 : Attaché de recherche, C.N.R.S.

1972 : Chargé de recherche, C.N.R.S.

1975 : Director of the French Archaeological Mission to Pakistan

1985 : Directeur de recherche, C.N.R.S.

1986 : Directeur (Conservateur général) of The National Museum of Asiatic Arts- Guimet, Paris

### **Awards**

1987: Sitara-e Pakistan

1996: Officier de l'ordre du Mérite

2001: Officier de la Légion d'Honneur

**Membership :**

- Fellow of the Asiatic Society of Paris
- Member of the consultative board of Ecole Française d'Extrême-Orient.
- Chairman of the consultative board for the French archaeological research abroad (Ministry of Foreign Affairs)
- Elected in 1997 member of the "Académie des Inscriptions et Belles-Lettres" (Academy of France)

**Field of research:**

The archaeology of India and Pakistan with a bibliography of 75 titles connected mostly with pre- and protohistory of the Indian subcontinent and to a large extent related to the excavations in Central Balochistan at Pirak (1800-600 BC), Mehrgarh (7000-2500 BC), Nausharo (3000-2000 BC).

Since 1963 excavations every winter in Balochistan, first as assistant of Prof. J.-M. Casal, then from 1973 to 1975 as Dy. Director of the French Archaeological Mission to Pakistan and from 1975 as Director. This archaeological work conducted in Balochistan, just on the western border of the Indus valley, has revealed for the first time in this part of the world a continuous sequence of occupation from the end of the 8th millennium BC to the mid-first millennium BC. The evidence of a very dynamic Neolithic and Chalcolithic background has changed the perception of the Indus civilization with its major cities of the 3rd millennium BC such as Mohenjo-daro and Harappa. The work conducted at the site of Nausharo, which has been occupied before and during the Indus civilization has also been a major contribution to the understanding of this civilization.

**Field of activities :**

Since 1986, the directorship of Musée Guimet and the organisation of two or three exhibitions every year in Musée Guimet, in the Grand Palais in Paris or in several other museums in the world. From 1996 to 2001, the general architectural renovation of musée Guimet.

Directorship of the archaeological units of the joint CNRS-Musée Guimet teams (Central Balochistan, Southern Balochistan, Afghanistan, Tadjikistan, Mongolia and Laos).