



HERAT

HERAT, ancient city and province in northwestern Afghanistan.

i. *Geography.*

ii. *History, Pre-Islamic Period.*

iii. *History, Medieval Period.*

iv. *Topography and urbanism.*

v. *Local histories.*

vi. *The Herat question.*

vii. *The Herat frontier in the latter half of 19th and 20th centuries.*

viii. *From the Soviet occupation to the post-Ṭālebān period.* See Supplement.