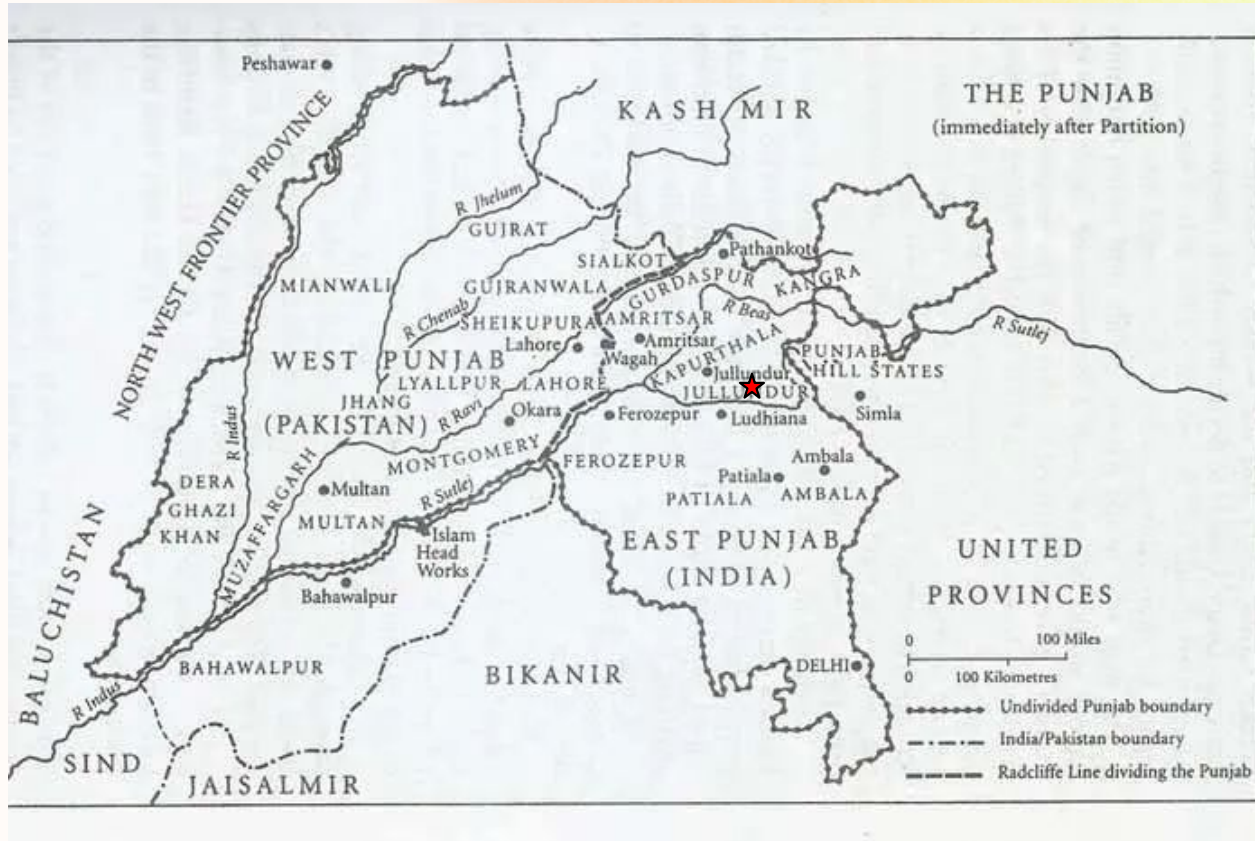


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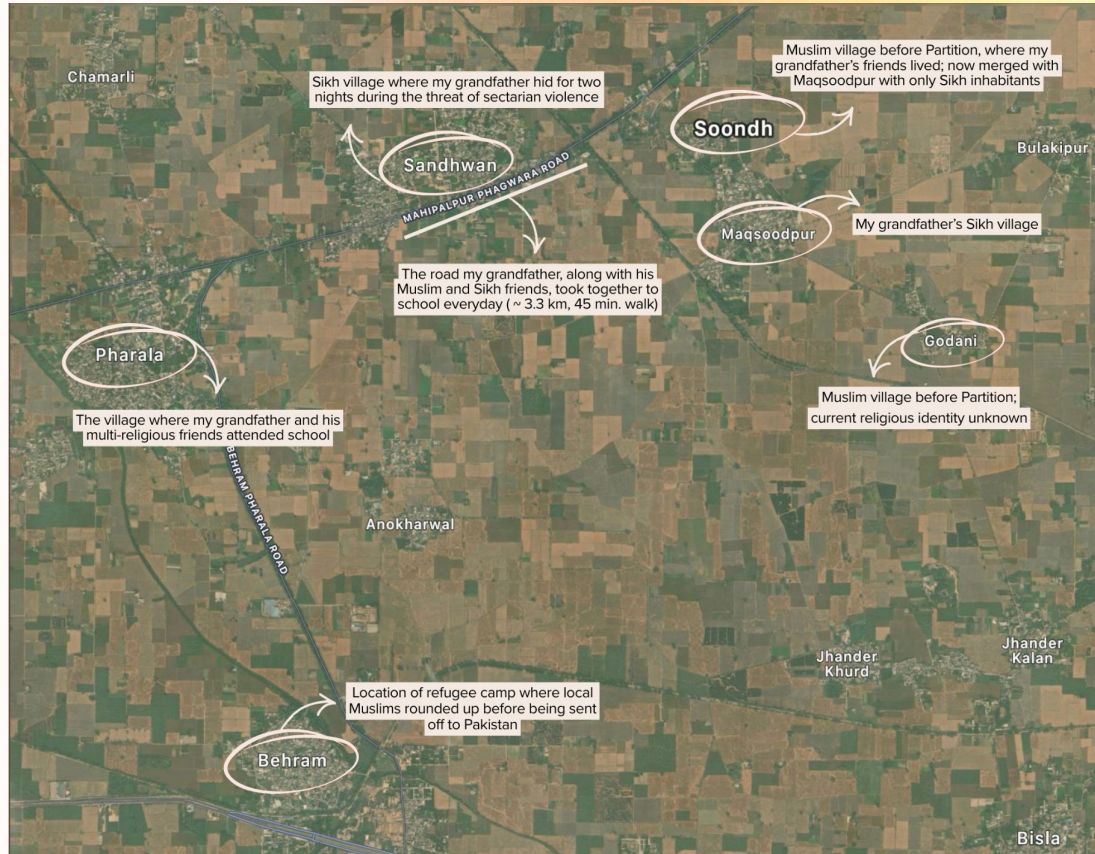
Hindus and Sikhs went east to India.

Fig. 1. Freedom at Midnight, *Map of Punjab During Partition*, 1975.

MENTAL MAPPINGS OF RURAL PUNJAB

*"I still remember
the names of the
Muslim boys I
went to school
with."*

*I can even see
pictures of them
inside my head."*

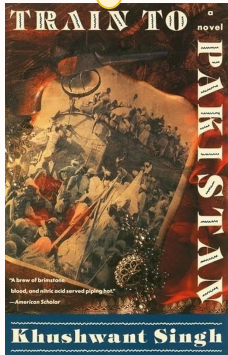


*"One was named
Mohammed Nasir."*

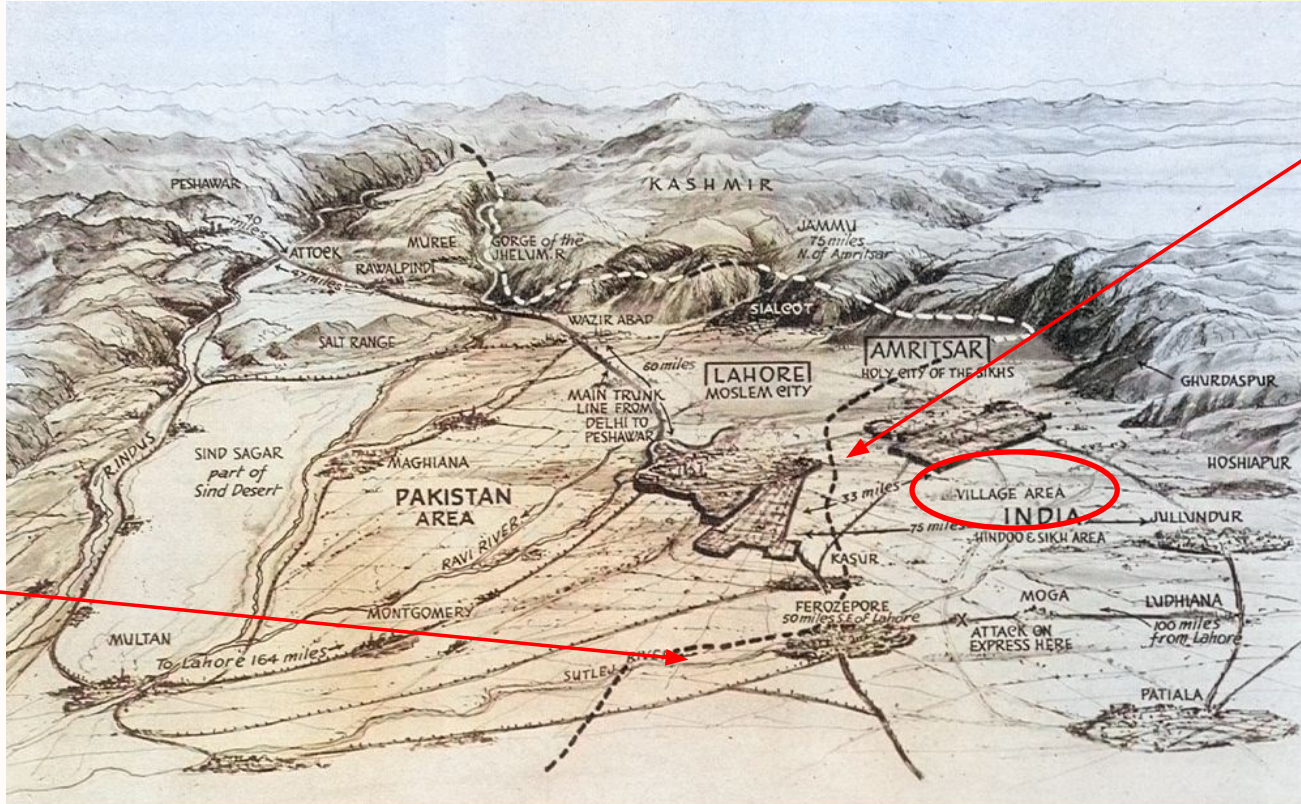
*"There were two or
three more. I can't
remember their
names right now,
but it'll probably
come to me later."*

Fig. 2. Google Maps, A Village Network in Rural Punjab: Annotated by My Grandfather, 2026.

FILLING THE GAPS IN PARTITION'S HISTORIOGRAPHY



Mano Majra
(from Khushwant
Singh's *Train to
Pakistan*)



Pir Pindo (from
Bapsi Sidhwa's
Cracking India)

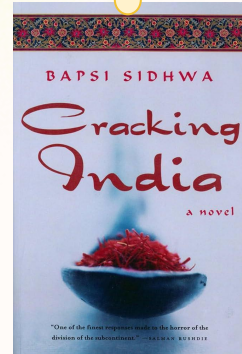


Fig. 3. The Sphere, *The Two-Way Exodus of the Punjab*, 1947.

MAPPING OUT THE FUTURE OF 'PUNJABIYAT'



Fig. 4. Hasan al Din, *The Darbar of Maharaja Ranjit Singh*, 1850.