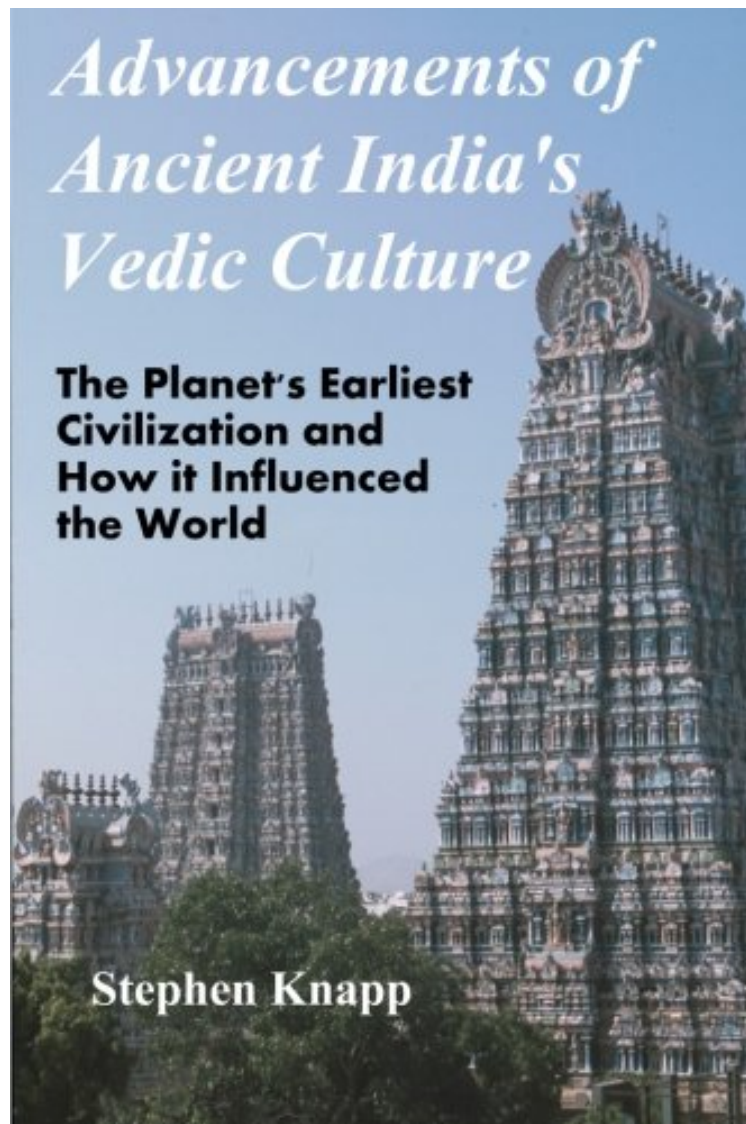


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opener on Indian Vedic Advancements and its importance/influence on modern world. What I am highly impressed with is the amount of supporting references/details mentioned in this book as it sifts through the immense advancements and contributions of this civilization! Immaculate proofs and evidence are provided to date the important events recorded in this civilization's history. Being from India, I am only saddened that I never read such history in my school years about Indian Civilization (perhaps due to variety of speculations that have been refuted only in recent times with series of major archeological discoveries)! 2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Fascinating history By pdk Like Knapp's other books, it is very well referenced and detailed. He covers many topics of ancient India's achievements in the arts, sciences, agriculture, manufacturing, architecture, and especially interesting to me, governance; and other aspects as well. My only complaint is that the book is too short! I wish he had gone a bit more in depth, but he covered so many topics the book would have had to be a few hundred more pages. India's real history has been hidden - for some reason the ancient histories of Egypt and other civilizations are well known; but India's secrets have not been so. It's time that changes, as it is now becoming clear that advanced civilizations in India pre-dated others all over the world. In fact, the more they dig, the more ancient finds they make. Much of what is taught as history is but bits and pieces, and history books will need to be re-written to include the ancient past of greater India. 2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Exposing misread history By Jayana Clerk Stephen Knapp's findings compels one to look at history afresh. It is time to reexamine old information with neutral perspective, New awareness invariably requires a revision of old theories.

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About the Author Stephen Knapp has studied the major Vedic texts of India and practiced yoga and the Eastern teachings for over 40 years. He has traveled throughout India and has a collection of over 17,000 slides and images of the many holy places and temples he has visited. He has authored over twenty well-received books on Vedic culture and Eastern spirituality. He also regularly gives lectures at various venues both in America and in India. He is also the president of the Vedic Friends Association. There is much more information about him and Vedic culture on his website: www.stephen-knapp.com and <http://stephenknapp.info>, and at <http://stephenknapp.wordpress.com>.