

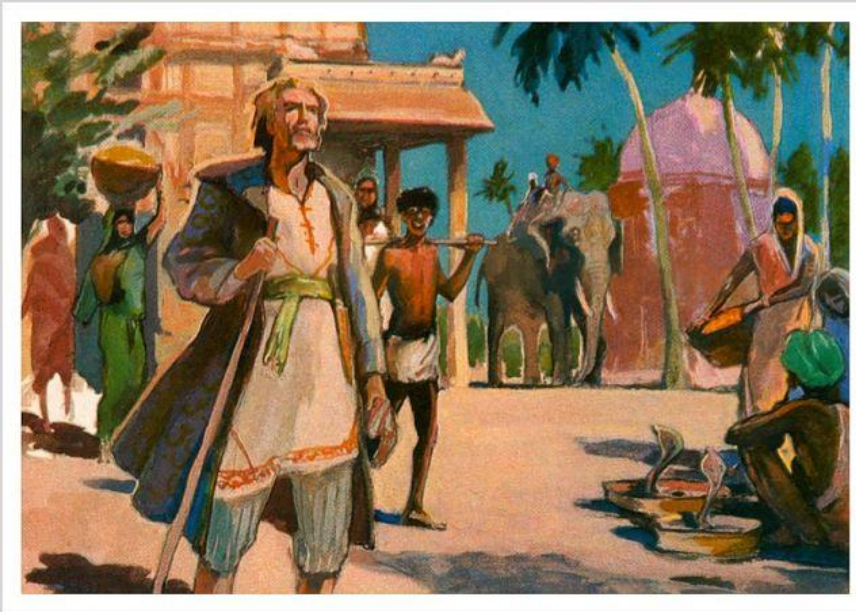
AFANASY NIKITIN

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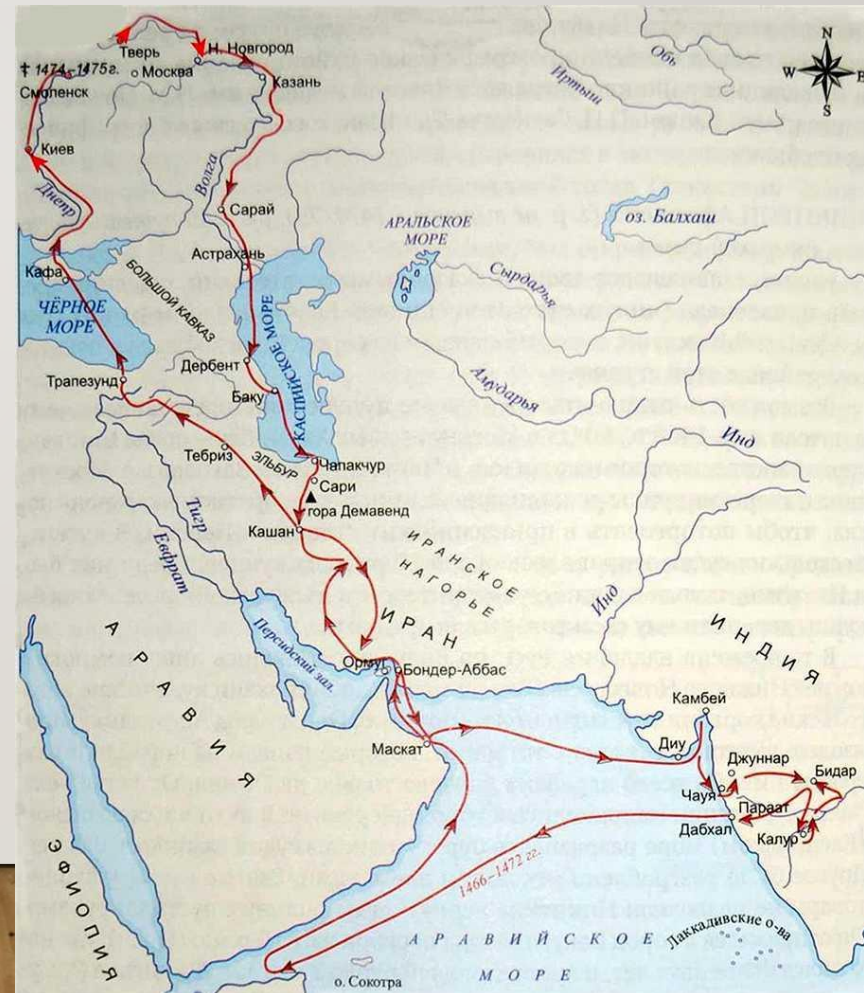
EARLY YEARS

In 1466, Nikitin left his hometown of Tver on a commercial trip to India. He travelled down the Volga River, reached Derbent, then Baku and later Persia proper by crossing the Caspian Sea. He lived in Persia for one year. In the spring of 1469, Nikitin arrived at the city of Ormus and then, crossing the Arabian Sea, reached the sultanate of Bahmani, where he would live for 3 years.



INDIA

On his way back, Nikitin visited Muscat, the Arabian sultanate of Fartak, Somalia and Trabzon, and in 1472 arrived at Feodosiya by crossing the Black Sea. On his way to Tver, Nikitin died not far from Smolensk in the autumn of that year.



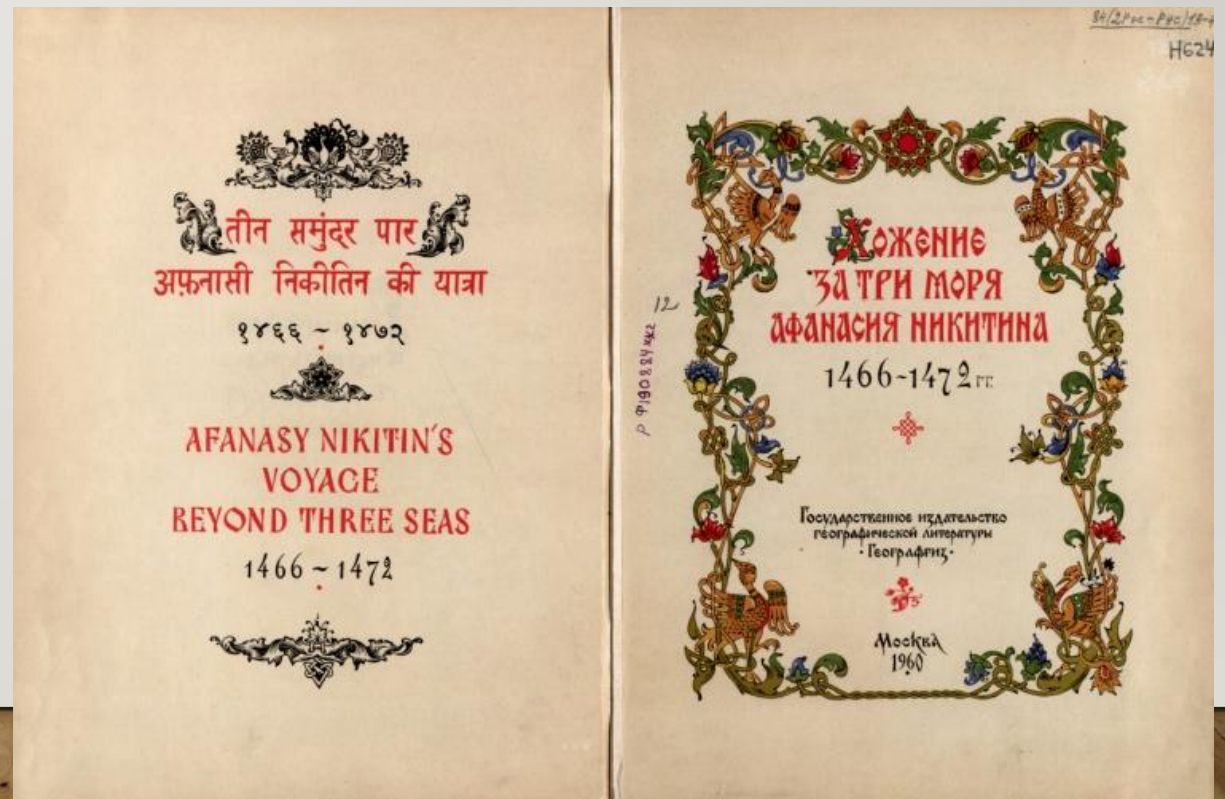
STUDIES

During his trip, Nikitin studied the population of India, its social system, government, military (he witnessed war-games featuring war elephants), its economy, religion, lifestyles, and natural resources. His research provides a valuable source of information about India at that time.



BOOK

He described his trip in a narrative known as ***The Journey Beyond Three Seas*** (*Khozheniye za tri morya*).



MEMORY



Statue in Tver



Coins