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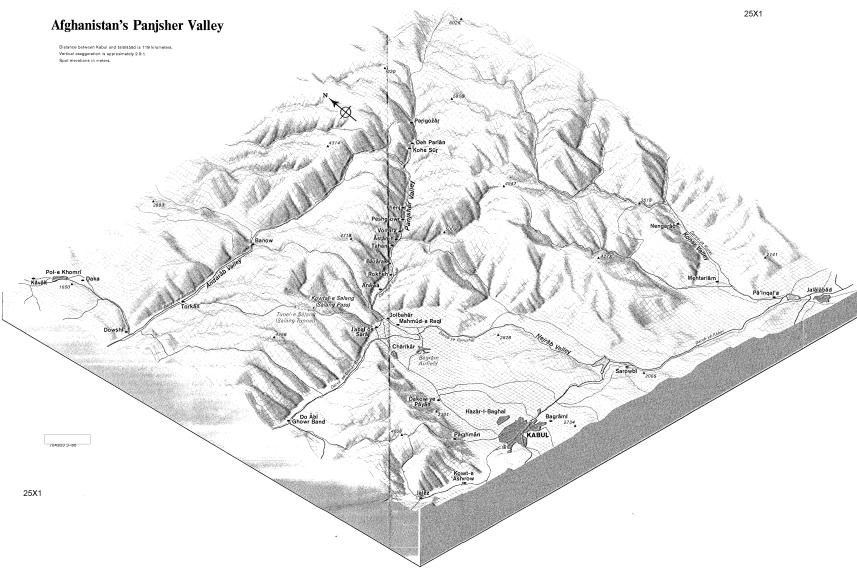
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Afghanistan's Panjsher Valley

Source: National Atlas and Geographic Information System of Afghanistan, 1983.
Map projection: UTM, Zone 52N.
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The only road (highway) between Taloqan and Kabul is the Panjsher Valley. The road is in poor condition and is often blocked by landslides and avalanches. The Panjsher Valley is a major source of opium for the Soviet Union and is a major source of opium for the Soviet Union.



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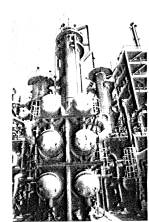
Generalized drug routes from the Panjsher Valley to the Soviet Union. The Panjsher Valley is a major source of opium for the Soviet Union and is a major source of opium for the Soviet Union.



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