

**Strength & Distribution of Troops  
in the Kurram District, Afghanistan  
April 1880**

Commanding: Major-General J Watson, C.B., V.C.

At Kohat:

No. 5 Garrison Battery 0/0/1/40\*  
E Battery, 3rd Brigade R.A. (4 guns) 4/108/0/0  
1st Bengal Cavalry 0/0/1/109  
4/Rifle Brigade 3/124/0/0  
1st Sikh Infantry 0/0/8/701

On Outposts:

1st Bengal Cavalry (detachment) 0/0/0/35  
1st Sikh Infantry (detachment) 0/0/0/28

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1st Bengal Cavalry 0/0/5/112

On Outposts:

1st Bengal Cavalry (detachment) 0/0/1/63

Thal:

E Battery, 3rd Brigade R.A. (2 guns) 1/50/0/0  
85th Foot (detachment) 1/52/0/0  
18th Bengal Cavalry 0/0/5/114  
11th Bengal Infantry (left wing) 0/0/4/404  
13th Bengal Infantry 0/0/7/289

On Outposts:

18th Bengal Cavalry 0/0/1/230  
11th Bengal Infantry 0/0/0/51  
13th Bengal Infantry 0/0/0/183

At Chapri:

8th Company Sappers & Miners 2/3/0/96  
5th Bengal Infantry (detachment) 0/0/2/159

At Balesh-Khel:

5th Bengal Infantry 0/0/4/336  
18th Bengal Cavalry 0/0/1/50

On Outposts:

5th Bengal Infantry (detachment) 0/0/1/91

Kurram Fort:

C Battery, 4th Brigade R.A. (4 guns) 2/54/0/0  
2/8th Foot (detachment) 3/176/0/0  
13th Bengal Lancers 0/0/6/212  
29th Punjab Infantry 0/0/7/540

On Outposts:

13th Bengal Lancers 0/0/0/40

Shalozan:

1st Battery, 8th Brigade R.A. (4 guns) 3/68/0/70  
C Battery, 4th Brigade R.A. (4 guns) 4/108/0/0  
85th Foot 21/774/0/0  
13th Bengal Lancers 0/0/0/100  
20th Punjab Infantry 0/0/6/473  
21st Punjab Infantry 0/0/5/420

At Paiwar Kotal:

1st Battery, 8th Brigade R.A (2 guns) 1/19/0/7

2/8th Foot 15/633/0/0

1st Punjab Infantry (detachment) 0/0/1/144

Total 60/62,169/66/5,098 = 7,393

\* Figures are : British officers; British NCO's & men; British officers of Native regiments; Native officers, NCO's & men

Intelligence Department of The War Office, Official History of the 2nd Afghan War, 1878-1880, London 1908, Appendix 25

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