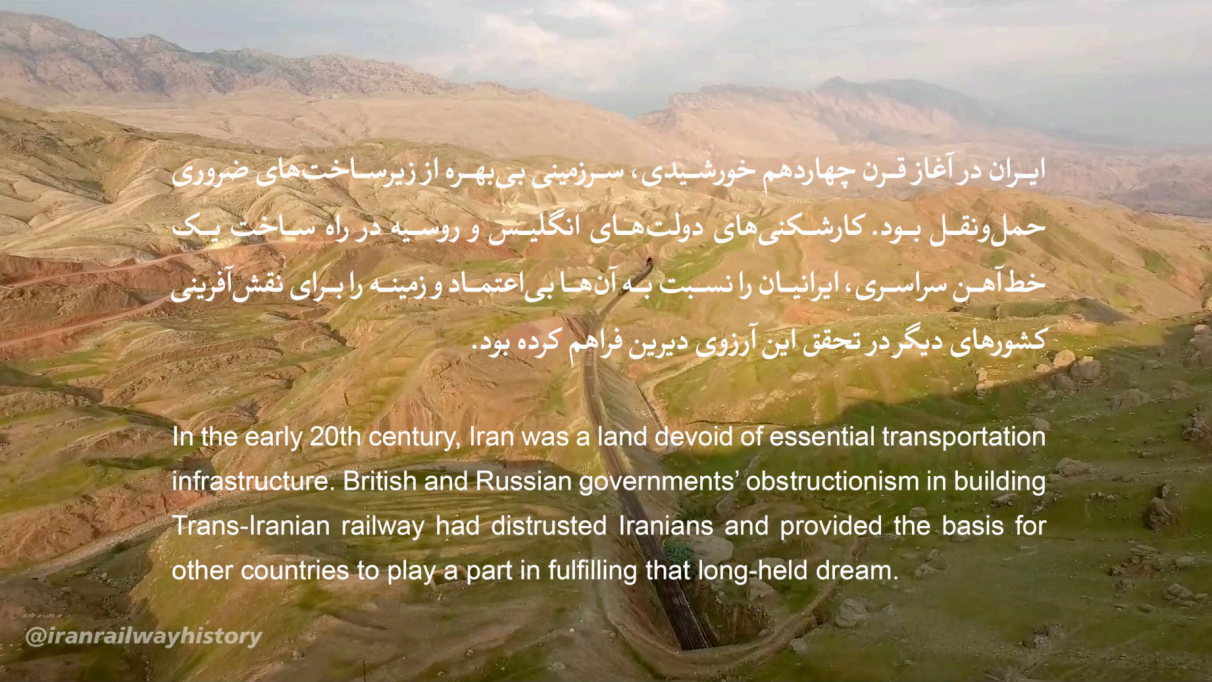


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An aerial photograph showing a railway track that has been built through a rugged, mountainous landscape. The terrain is characterized by layered, eroded hills in shades of brown, tan, and green. The sky is overcast with soft, grey clouds. The railway track is a dark line that curves through the valley, connecting different parts of the mountainous region.

ایران در آغاز قرن چهاردهم خورشیدی، سرزمینی بی بهره از زیرساخت های ضروری حمل و نقل بود. کارشکنی های دولت های انگلیس و روسیه در راه ساخت یک خط آهن سراسری، ایرانیان را نسبت به آن ها بی اعتماد و زمینه را برای نقش آفرینی کشورهای دیگر در تحقق این آرزوی دیرین فراهم کرده بود.

In the early 20th century, Iran was a land devoid of essential transportation infrastructure. British and Russian governments' obstructionism in building Trans-Iranian railway had distrusted Iranians and provided the basis for other countries to play a part in fulfilling that long-held dream.



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