

Found the 2,800 year old Urartian wastewater treatment system at Van

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Accordingly, this wastewater treatment system, called **Urartian**, is estimated to be around 2,800 years old, found during an excavation of **Çavuştepe castle** located in Van City, eastern Turkey.

Specifically, this sewage system is 30 meters long, 1 meter wide and covered with hard rock.



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The head of the excavation, Rafet Çavuşoğlu, a professor at the Department of Archeology at the University of Yüzüncü Yıl, said the Çavuştepe castle's sewage system is an especially important archaeological event in the country's history. For more or less, this castle was once located on an important commercial route of ancient local inhabitants thousands of years ago.

Archaeological experts say, this sewage system may be a product of local urban reform of the ancient residents of the past. And one important thing to learn is the technique and operation when they build this sewage system.

Rafet Çavuşoğlu said that the sewage system is entirely made of stone, the lid of the system is also covered with stone, inside is an extended hollow road system to lead waste water.

In addition, when the ancient castle Çavustepe was unearthed, the team also discovered a decrepit **ancient toilet** , and connected it to the sewage system. This is a very important evidence, **demonstrating the progressive civilization** of the ancient local inhabitants thousands of years ago.

Not only that, a series of old dyke traces of kilometers spanning the east and west of the castle were also discovered to serve as a protective defense system. - Çavustepe said.

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