

Technical Note

**IRAN STRONG GROUND MOTION CATALOG
(JULY TO DECEMBER 2004)**

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ABSTRACT

Iran Strong Motion Network (ISMN) that runs under the authority of Building and Housing Research Center (BHRC) of Iran, start its activity since 1973. At the present day it consists of more than 1000 digital (SSA-2) and 61 analog (SMA-1) accelerographs. The recorded earthquake accelerograms are downloaded, controlled and processed and then added to the accelerograph comprehensive data bank, which is too useful for scientists and engineers. Here in the recorded accelerograms and causal earthquakes are briefly described and more detailed information is presented in Table 1 and also available on the web page of BHRC (<http://www.bhrc.ac.ir>).

1. IRAN STRONG MOTION NETWORK

Iran Strong Motion Network started its activities since 1973; at the end of 2004 December, the network was consisted of 1013 digital and 61 analog accelerographs (Figure 1). ISMN has been recorded more than 5150 accelerograms up to December 2004, through which the maximum ground acceleration of about 1.0g is recorded due to Zanjiran (June 30, 1994) and Bam (December 26, 2003) earthquakes at Zanjiran and Bam stations respectively.

In the second half of the year 2004, 224 accelerograms were recorded at 125 accelerograph stations that were triggered by 95 different earthquakes. The location of all the triggered stations in the studied time period is presented in Figure 2. The maximum PGA of about 0.224g is occurred in Armardeh station (Kurdistan province) due to the earthquake of October 5, 2004.

**2. THE CATALOG OF ACCELEROGrams RECORDED BY ISMN FROM
JULY TO DECEMBER 2004**

In the second half of the year 2004, 224 accelerograms (with PGA greater than the trigger

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level of 0.01g), were recorded by 125 accelerographs, which were triggered by 95 different earthquakes (Figure 2). The maximum PGA of about 0.22g is occurred in Armardeh station in the Kurdistan province in the earthquake of October 5, 2004, but the greatest event was the Aqghala earthquake that occurred in Golestan province with the magnitude of M5.8 in the October 7, 2004.

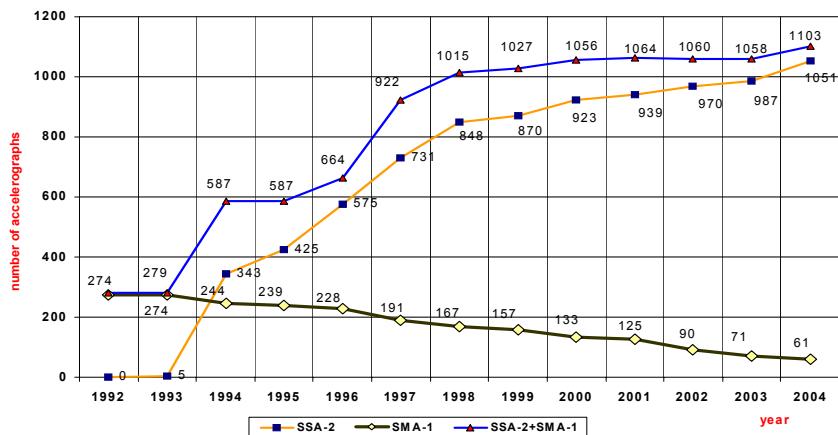


Figure 1. the growth of ISMN installed accelerographs in the period of 1992 to 2004

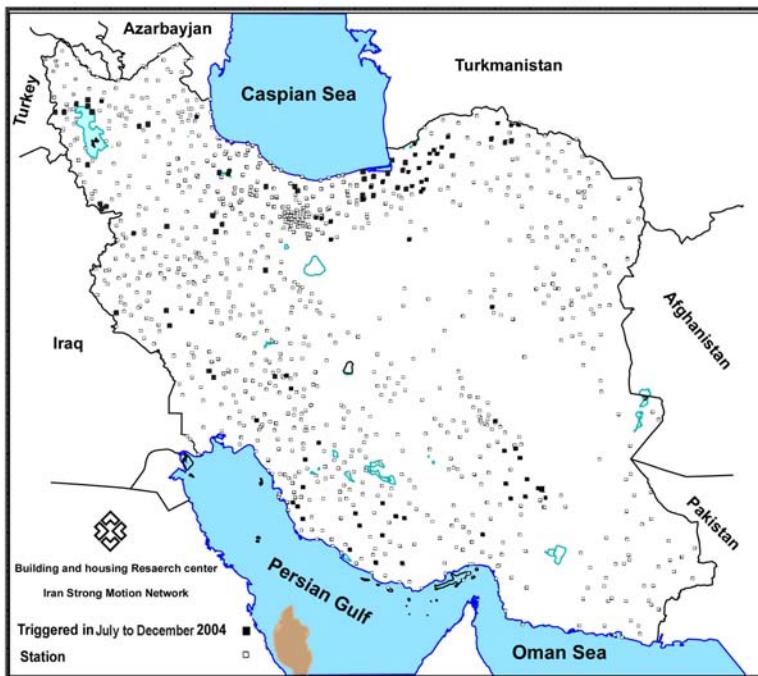


Figure 2. The triggered accelerograph locations in the second half of the year 2004.

The strong motion and the seismological data of the major earthquakes are presented in Table 1. There are more than 50 single accelerograms that were caused due to the earthquakes without any reported or accessible seismological data that are omitted from this table. The most important events are briefly described at the following.

2.1 Boldaji Earthquake (Chaharmahal and Bakhtiari Province)

On July 25, 2004 at 14:45:43 UTC, an earthquake with the magnitude of M15.1 (BHRC) struck the Chaharmahal and Bakhtiari province. Accelerograph stations of Mohamadabad, Darmazar and Abaraq recorded the earthquake. The peak ground acceleration of about 0.118g occurred in Mohamadabad station on the horizontal (L) component.

2.2 Robat Earthquake (North Khorasan Province)

On August 21, 2004 at 03:32:42 UTC, an earthquake with the magnitude of mb4.7 (NEIC) in North Khorasan province is happened. Accelerograph stations of Robat, Garmakhan, Ashkhaneh, Raz and Bojnoord (BHRC) recorded the earthquake. This event caused the peak ground acceleration of about 0.244g that is recorded in the Robat station.

2.3 Sharafkhaneh Earthquake (West Azerbaijan Province)

On September 09, 2004 at 17:33:58 (UTC), an earthquake with the magnitude of M3.9 (NEIC) occurred in the East Azerbaijan province. The earthquake was recorded by three SSA-2 accelerographs of Iran strong motion network. The peak ground acceleration at about 0.024g is recorded on the vertical component in the Sharafkhaneh station. The epicenter of this earthquake is reported to be at 38.56N, 45.32E (NEIC).

2.4 Baneh Earthquake (Kurdistan Province)

On October 05, 2004 at 15:34:14 UTC, an earthquake with the magnitude of M4.2 (NEIC) occurred at the west of Kurdistan province. Three SSA-2 accelerographs of Baneh, Namshir and Armardeh stations of Iran strong motion network recorded this earthquake and the peak ground acceleration of about 0.144g is occurred in the Armardeh station.

2.5 Mohamadabad earthquake (Kerman Province)

At 11:14:37 UTC on October 6, 2004, an earthquake happened in Jebalbarez region in the Kerman province. The magnitude of this event is reported to be M5.2 (IGTU). The earthquake was recorded by three SSA-2 accelerographs of Mohamadabad, Darmazar and Abaraq stations. The peak ground acceleration with the maximum of about 0.118g is recorded at the Mohamadabad station on horizontal (L) component. The epicenter of this earthquake is located to be at 28.91N, 57.74E (BHRC), 28.89N, 57.29E (IGTU) and 28.76 N, 58.07 E, (NEIC).

2.6 Aqghala earthquake (Golestan Province)

The greatest earthquake of the studied time period with the magnitude of M5.6 (IGTU) is took place On October 7, 2004 at 21:46:18 UTC at the North of Golestan province. The earthquake was recorded by 29 SSA-2 digital Accelerographs (Figure 3). The peak ground acceleration of about 0.104g was the maximum acceleration that recorded at the Gorgan station.

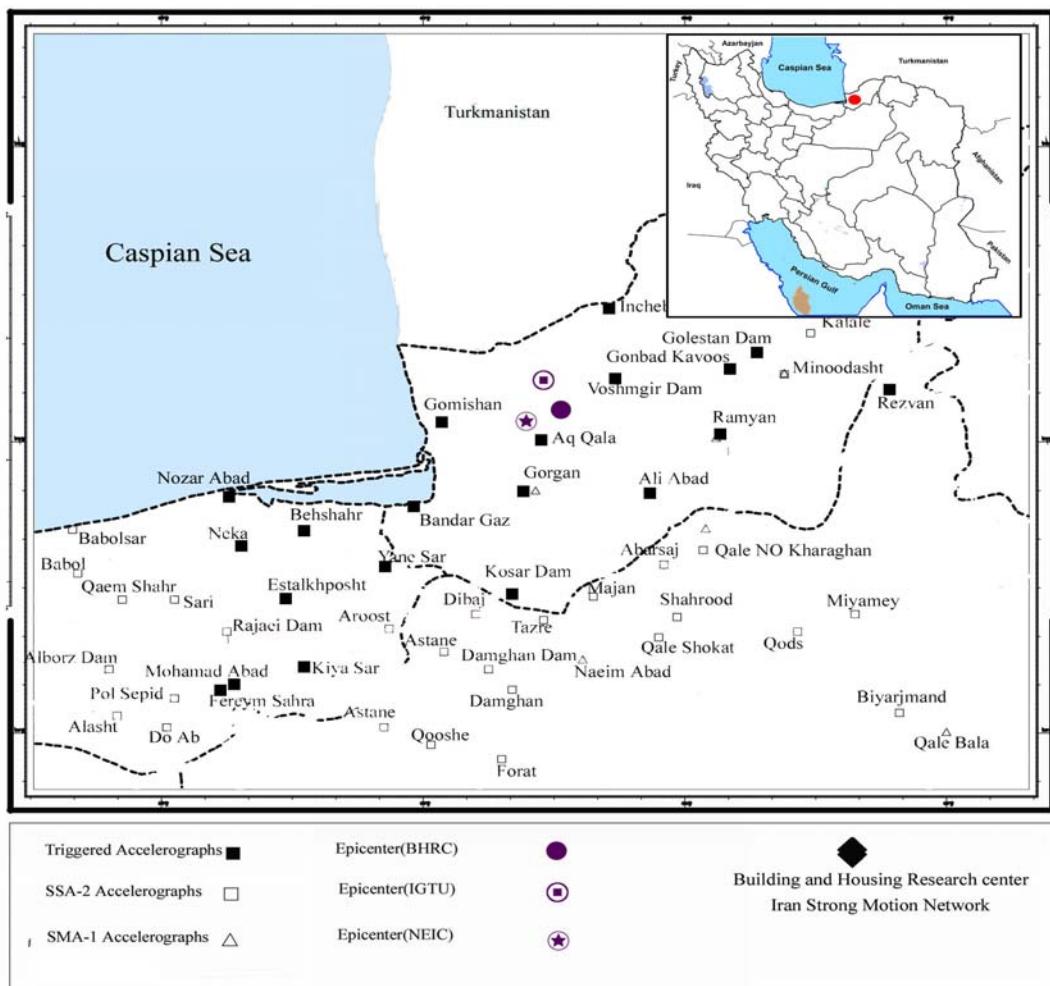


Figure 3. The location of Aqghala earthquake of October 7, 2004 and triggered accelerographs

2.7 Shushtar Earthquakes (*Khoozestan Province*)

An earthquake swarm started to shake the Shushtar city and its vicinity villages in the Khoozestan province from Friday (19, Nov, 2004), which continued for 20 days and caused a public scare. The first event was happened on 19, November 2004 at 17:23:45 UTC, which followed by 23 events more. Among them the event with the magnitude of 4.9 was the greatest one that occurred on November 19, 2004 at 23:49:35 UTC. There have been 14 accelerograms recorded in Shushtar and Darkhazineh stations in the time duration of this swarm and the maximum acceleration of about 80 cm/sec/sec is recorded on horizontal (T) component in the Shushtar station due to the greatest event. Fortunately there were no human death or hard injuries reported.

The catalogue of events of 2004 (1 July / 30 December)

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Strong Motion Data (BHRC)					Seismological Data						
No.	Station	Record No.	Coordinate		U.PGA (cm/s/s)	Origin Time		Epicenter		Magnitude	Ref.
			N	E		Y-M-D	h:m:s	N	E		
26	Dorahan	3840/01	31.62	51.19	76.10	2004/09/08	22:19:37	31.64	50.84	mb	4.7
27	Khoram Abad	3527	33.49	48.36	23.46	2004/09/15	08:27:39	33.28	48.45	mb	4.2
28	Qir	3523	28.48	53.03	34.14	2004/09/17	23:32:20	28.43	52.81	M	3.7
29	Damavand	3530	35.72	52.06	11.82			28.60	52.75	mb	3.8
	Sarbandan	3570	35.64	52.32	43.11						NEIC
30	Posht Rood2	3738/01	29.12	58.38	26.68	2004/09/25	17:49:59	29.37	58.49	Ml	3.1
	Posht Rood	3745/01	29.12	58.38	26.76					IIEES	
31	Armordeh	3539	35.93	45.78	144.48	2004/10/05	15:34:14	35.95	45.37	M	4.2
	Kani Soor	3540	36.05	45.74	19.47					IGTU	
	Baneh	3541	35.99	45.89	22.89			35.89	45.72	mb	4.6
32	Abaragh	3553	29.35	57.94	17.62	2004/10/06	11:14:37	28.91	57.74	BHRC	
	Darmazar	3554/03	29.24	57.33	13.57						
	Mohammad Abad	3555/01	28.91	57.89	118.58						
	Jiroft Dam1	3742	28.86	57.47	18.53			28.89	57.29	M	5.2
	Jiroft Dam2	3743/02	28.86	57.47	65.57					IGTU	
	Qotb Abad	3783/01	28.88	58.48	15.55			28.76	58.07	mb	5.1
33	Mohammad Abad	3555/02	28.91	57.89	40.96	2004/10/07	07:17:00	28.88	57.97	Ml	4.3
	Qotb Abad	3783/02	28.88	58.48	13.14			28.80	57.84	mb	4.5
34	Dibaj	3590	36.43	54.23	27.11	2004/10/07	21:46:15	37.35	54.56	Ml	6.0
	Qapan-e-Olya	3636/01	37.62	55.68	16.34						
	Minoodasht	3639/01	37.23	55.37	36.18						
	Abarsej	3641/01	36.58	54.92	18.47						
	Ghalehno Kharagan	3642/01	36.63	55.07	19.79						
	Shahrood	3643/01	36.41	54.97	13.65						
	*Minoodasht	3654/01	37.23	55.36	78.29						
	Shahid Rajaei Dam 3	3790/01	36.25	53.23	17.83						
	Shahid Rajaei Dam 5	3792/01	36.25	53.23	14.24						
	Ali Abad	3542	36.90	54.85	61.72						
	Behshahr	3543	36.69	53.54	52.27						
	Gonbad-e-Kavoos	3544	37.24	55.16	26.89						
	Gorgan	3545	36.84	54.38	104.15						
	Gomishan	3546	37.07	54.08	92.14						
	Kia-sar	3547	36.24	53.54	20.17						
	Mohammad Abad	3548	36.17	53.27	16.53						
	Neka	3549	36.63	53.28	22.93						
	Rezvan	3550	37.18	55.79	16.75						
	Ramyan	3551	37.02	55.14	62.21						
	Nozar Abad	3552	36.80	53.25	48.19						
	Agh Gala	3556/01	37.01	54.46	79.96						
	Bandar-e-Gaz	3557/02	36.76	53.95	67.30						
	Golestan Dam	3558	37.32	55.28	30.57						
	Estalkh Posht	3559	36.46	53.48	51.80						
	Incheh Borun	3560/01	37.46	54.72	74.59						
	Kowsar Dam	3561/01	36.81	54.55	96.10						
	Voshmgir Dam	3562/01	37.21	54.74	82.97						
	Fereym Sahra Dam	3563	36.16	53.23	11.51						
	Yaneh Sar	3564	36.57	53.81	42.97						
35	Mojen	3622/01	36.48	54.65	16.60	2004/10/07	21:46:20	37.32	54.37	Ml	5.9
	Ghale Shokat	3862	36.35	54.91	21.27			37.12	54.48	mb	5.6
	Tazareh	3863/01	36.40	54.47	13.87					NEIC	

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36	Abaragh	3739	29.35	57.94	13.63	2004/10/08	07:15:56	29.27	58.44	Ml 4.2	IIEES			
	Bam1	3740	29.09	58.35	16.91									
	Barvat	3741/02	29.07	58.40	48.05									
	Khaje Asgar	3744	29.12	58.26	34.78									
	Posht Rood	3745/02	29.12	58.38	15.76									
	Posht Rood2	3738/02	29.12	58.38	15.50									
	Qotb Abad	3783/03	28.88	58.48	22.49									
37	Agh Gala	3556/02	37.01	54.46	17.98	2004/10/08	13:45:55	37.15	54.35	M 4.9	IGTU			
	Bandar-e-Gaz	3557/03	36.76	53.95	14.69									
	Incheh Borun	3560/02	37.46	54.72	37.21									
	Kowsar Dam	3561/02	36.81	54.55	19.33									
	Voshmgir Dam	3562/02	37.21	54.74	14.62									
	Gomishan	3568	37.07	54.08	13.57									
	Gorgan	3572	36.84	54.38	13.09									
38	Ramyan	3621/01	37.02	55.14	12.23	2004/10/09	14:48:35	31.62	50.95	mb 4.4	NEIC			
	Dorahan	3840/03	31.62	51.19	54.33									
	Shirinrood Dam	3596	30.81	57.03	14.66		2004/10/14	01:21:20	30.68	56.81	M 4.2	IGTU		
									30.51	56.55	mb 4.2			
	Saleh Abad	3569	33.47	46.19	27.10	2004/10/16	10:04:38	33.43	45.92	mb	5.3	NEIC		
	Abarsej	3641/02	36.58	54.92	26.12	2004/10/16			36.61	55.81	Ml 3.7			
	Garmsar	3591	35.22	52.33	16.89	2004/10/17	03:25:09	35.19	52.35	Ml	3.3	IIEES		
43	Avaj	3576	35.57	49.22	25.38	2004/10/17				M	4.7	IGTU		
	Changoureh	3567	35.77	48.96	27.02	35.60			49.16	mb				
	Razan	3592	35.39	49.03	21.47	35.75			48.94	4.5	NEIC			
	Tasooj	3583/03	38.31	45.36	14.54	38.72			45.45	Ml				
	Zanjireh	3830/03	38.46	45.37	21.94	2004/10/20	14:11:12	30.50	50.12	Ml	3.0	IIEES		
	Salafchegan	3597	34.47	50.47	14.90	2004/10/25			34.79	50.55	M 3.8	IGTU		
	Changoureh	3580	35.77	48.96	27.02	2004/10/27	00:49:30	35.75	48.92	M 3.6	IGTU			
47	Tashan	3653	30.83	50.20	16.03	2004/10/28	17:32:25		48.94	M 3.6	IGTU			
	Kalaleh	3619/01	37.38	55.50	28.46	2004/11/01	20:20:13	37.66	55.25	Ml 4.1	IIEES			
	Minoodasht	3639/02	37.23	55.37	86.72				37.37	55.40	Ml 4.0	KHSN		
	Minoodasht	3654/02	37.23	55.36	20.32				37.38	55.78	mb 4.3	NEIC		
	Minoodasht	3639/03	37.23	55.37	22.01	2004/11/01	22:26:43							
	Minoodasht	3654/03	37.23	55.36	6.36									
50	Moalem Kelayeh	3581	36.45	50.47	17.50	2004/11/02	19:13:24	36.40	50.38	M 3.6	IGTU			
	Doobaran	3577	28.41	54.18	61.29	2004/11/06	18:08:54		28.20	54.30	M 4.2	IGTU		
								28.35	53.82	mb	4.3			
	Khoormoj	3579	28.66	51.37	23.79	2004/11/06	23:19:49		28.84	51.51	M 4.2	NEIC		
	Doobaran	3588/01	28.41	54.18	14.60	2004/11/08	06:34:15	28.04	53.74	Ml	2.9	IIEES		
	Tazeh-Shahr	3656/01	38.17	44.70	18.11	2004/11/08	18:06:42		28.70	51.38	mb 4.5	NEIC		
	Koozehrash	3825	38.17	44.44	14.61				44.50	mb	3.4			
55	Khaje Asgar	3600/01	29.12	58.26	24.49	2004/11/09	18:48:49			Ml 2.50	BHRC			
	Posht Rood	3719/01	29.12	58.38	22.00									
	Khaje Asgar	3648/01	29.12	58.26	17.10									

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56	Minoodash	3639/04	37.23	55.37	29.88	2004/11/11	20:22:24	37.05	55.57	M	3.7	IGTU
	Minoodash	3654/04	37.23	55.36	32.89							
57	Khosro Abad	3606	35.52	47.63	38.94	2004/11/13	01:46:38	35.43	47.57	MI	3.5	IIEES
58	Rooddehen	3582	35.74	51.91	25.36	2004/11/13	15:05:53	35.71	51.87	M	3.1	IGTU
59	Naqan	3589/02	31.93	50.72	30.15	2004/11/18	01:03:39	31.69	50.87	MI	3.0	IIEES
60	Roodbar	3735/03	36.81	49.41	61.83	2004/11/19	09:32:25	36.97	49.58	MI	3.1	IIEES
	Sefidrood Dam 1	3736/02	36.76	49.39	20.65							
61	Shooshtar	3584/01	32.05	48.85	79.55	2004/11/19	17:23:45	32.06	48.88	mb	4.8	NEIC
	Dar khazineh	3585	31.90	48.98	35.24			31.99	48.87	M	4.7	IGTU
62	Shooshtar	3584/02	32.05	48.85	40.74	2004/11/19	17:29:36	31.98	48.84	M	4.4	IGTU
	Dar khazineh	3595/01	31.90	48.98	53.46			32.06	48.89	mb	4.7	NEIC
63	Shooshtar	3584/03	32.05	48.85	80.42	2004/11/19	23:49:35	31.97	48.84	M	4.9	IGTU
	Dar khazineh	3595/02	31.90	48.98	28.56			32.02	48.84	mb	4.8	NEIC
64	Shooshtar	3584/04	32.05	48.85	22.52	2004/11/20	02:10:59	31.99	48.85	M	4.1	IGTU
	Dar khazineh	3595/03	31.90	48.98	30.08			32.10	48.82	mb	4.7	NEIC
65	Shooshtar	3584/06	32.05	48.85	18.03	2004/11/20	02:27:50	31.86	48.77	M	4.0	IGTU
66	Dar khazineh	3595/04	31.90	48.98	13.76	2004/11/20	09:03:30	31.95	48.84	MI	3.7	IIEES
	Shooshtar	3586/01	32.05	48.85	20.04			31.73	49.07	M	3.8	IGTU
67	Haji Abad	3601	28.36	54.43	23.14	2004/11/20	11:50:02	28.49	54.18	MI	4.3	IIEES
68	Shooshtar	3586/02	32.05	48.85	43.54	2004/11/20	12:06:14	31.96	48.83	M	4.7	IGTU
	Dar khazineh	3595/05	31.90	48.98	39.39			32.02	48.79	mb	4.8	NEIC
69	Shooshtar	3586/03	32.05	48.85	22.53	2004/11/20	14:24:50	32.03	48.90	M	4.0	IGTU
70	Shooshtar	3586/04	32.05	48.85	25.96	2004/11/20	16:10:20	32.00	48.88	M	4.0	IGTU
71	Doobaran	3588/02	28.41	54.18	103.63	2004/11/20	16:50:02	28.22	54.13	M	4.2	IGTU
72	Shooshtar	3586/05	32.05	48.85	28.13	2004/11/20	17:33:12	32.08	48.89	M	3.9	IGTU
73	Shooshtar	3586/06	32.05	48.85	26.67	2004/11/20	17:45:02	32.09	48.88	M	4.1	IGTU
74	Dar khazineh	3595/06	31.90	48.98	36.87	2004/11/20	20:41:58	32.00	48.74	mb	4.4	NEIC
	Shooshtar	3586/07	32.05	48.85	35.53			32.18	48.91	M	4.1	IGTU
75	Shooshtar	3593	32.05	48.85	15.59	2004/11/21	05:24:26	32.05	48.74	MI	2.9	IIEES
76	Pol Dokhtar	3594/01	33.15	47.71	22.51	2004/11/21	21:37:24	33.31	47.99	mb	5.0	NEIC
	Kouhdasht	3767/01	33.52	47.61	32.32							
77	Kouhdasht	3767/02	33.52	47.61	12.56	2004/11/22	04:01:30	33.29	47.97	mb	5.0	NEIC
78	Pol Dokhtar	3594/02	33.15	47.71	18.51	2004/11/26	18:48:20	29.95	51.42	mb	3.5	NEIC
79	Ghaemiyeh	3598	29.85	51.59	26.62	2004/11/26						
80	Kouhdasht	3767/03	33.52	47.61	14.63	2004/11/27	16:12:06	33.43	47.94	mb	4.9	NEIC
	Pol Dokhtar	3594/03	33.15	47.71	13.19							
81	Doobaran	3650/01	28.41	54.18	27.68	2004/12/09	14:44:21	27.92	54.26	MI	3.3	IIEES
82	Kooreh	3649	27.92	53.80	38.45	2004/12/10	03:31:08	28.04	53.76	mb	3.7	NEIC
83	Golbaf	3599	29.89	57.73	42.38	2004/12/10	19:02:54	29.75	57.64	M	3.6	IIEES
84	Hir	3698/02	38.08	48.49	30.23	2004/12/19	21:27:57	38.19	48.61	MI	3.0	IIEES
85	Doobaran	3650/02	28.41	54.18	48.46	2004/12/28	20:30:15	28.19	54.18	M	4.0	IIEES
86	Seyf Abad	3630	28.17	53.15	13.67	2004/12/31	18:07:42	28.43	53.28	M	4.1	IGTU
								28.06	53.39	mb	4.6	NEIC