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- 1 This is a report about the excavations conducted by the Iranian Italian Joint Expedition in Khuzestan on the site of Kal-e Chendar in the Shami valley, Khuzestan, where the famous Shami statue was originally found. The investigation revealed a series of terraces placed at different elevations, probably supporting large buildings with religious functions. The mission began to explore the large cemetery surrounding the structures, undoubtedly related to the religious buildings. Some tombs seem to be part of larger burial complexes that possibly hosted the spoils of the local Hellenistic and Parthian aristocracy members.

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