

FIELD GUIDE / ISSUE 001

The space between ideas is where the universe begins.

An atlas is not a directory. A directory tells you where things are. An atlas helps you understand where to go, what connects, and which paths are worth the trip.

ORBITAL gathers the Sahilverse as a navigable intellectual landscape. It connects research, work, psychology, perfumery, music, art, human capital, everyday life and speculative systems without pretending they can be reduced to one score.

436	196	120	52	68
Recorded URLs	HTTP working	Broken	Connection errors	Manual reviews

EVIDENCE NOTE. Figures come from the Live Domain Atlas recorded on 26 October 2026. A successful HTTP response does not certify browser rendering, functioning interactions, accessibility or current availability.

Inspect the source: [SAHILVERSE - LIVE DOMAIN ATLAS](#)

CHAPTER 01 / HOW TO EXPLORE

Six doors. No compulsory order.

01 / Orbit

See a star map of the 436 URLs. Each cluster is heuristically inferred from titles and addresses; it is not a scientifically validated taxonomy.

02 / Library

Find anything in the source inventory by title, host, status and broad theme. Choose relevance over popularity.

03 / Bridges

Combine two recorded worlds and generate a comparison question. A bridge is a hypothesis to investigate, never a claim of causation.

04 / Voyages

Travel six human-curated routes, each with four audit-working destinations. You can diverge at any point.

05 / Observatory

See what the audit reported as working, broken, unable to connect or requiring manual review. Treat DNS export differences as work to investigate.

06 / Vault

Save links and conceptual bridges privately in the browser. Export the journey as JSON or load a new ALL LINKS CSV locally.

Remember: maps are acts of interpretation. A good atlas makes its choices inspectable.

CHAPTER 02 / THE FIRST THREE VOYAGES

Move through a question.

01 From intention to experiment

A decision is not an identity. Trace what happens between an idea, an attempt, and a tool.

1. The Identity-Action Gap / identityaction.sahiltayal.com
2. The Archive of Attempts — Field guide to iteration, failed experiments & / attempts.sahiltayal.com
3. SYNAPSE — A living idea laboratory / synth.sahiltayal.com
4. THE WORLD ENGINE / worldengine.sahiltayal.com

02 The human capital commons

Begin at work as lived experience. Continue through dignity, learning, and what institutions overlook.

1. The Kirana Observatory — A Living Ledger / thekiranaobservatory.sahiltayal.com
2. NIGHT SHIFT — The Human Ledger | Interactive Work Simulation by Sahil Ta / humanledger.sahiltayal.com
3. The Human Capital Commons | An open teaching library / humancapitalcommons.sahiltayal.com
4. UNGRADABLE — A Playable Examination of What Exams Cannot Measure / ungradable.sahiltayal.com

03 Weather inside a person

From social weather to psychological perspective, with room for ordinary contentment.

1. The Unfinished Weather / unfinishedweather.sahiltayal.com
2. Madness: Who Decides What Is Normal? / madness.sahiltayal.com
3. Hold Still: a living surface that unravels when you stop moving / holdstill.sahiltayal.com
4. Enough. / enough.sahiltayal.com

CHAPTER 03 / THREE MORE VOYAGES

Let different worlds speak.

04 Connection without mind-reading

Investigate relationships as reciprocal actions, incomplete information, and mutual boundaries.

1. Good Company — A Relational Intelligence Studio / goodcompany.sahiltayal.online
2. The Reciprocity Atlas — Stories Without Mind-Reading / reciprocityatlas.sahiltayal.com
3. The Reciprocity Lab — Human connection, beautifully complicated / relationships.sahiltayal.online
4. Ordinary Tuesday — The Friction Ledger / ordinarytuesday.sahiltayal.com

05 The sensory library

Walk between fragrance, perception, music and memory without pretending a screen can emit scent.

1. The Psychology of Scent | Perfume, Memory & Craft / perfume.sahiltayal.online
2. The Olfactory Cathedral / olfactorycathedral.sahiltayal.com
3. Music & Mind | Music, Memory, Emotion & Identity / musicandmind.sahiltayal.com
4. The Sound of Becoming — A compositional memoir instrument / thesoundofbecoming.sahiltayal.com

06 Beyond the scoreboard

What remains when success, learning and a meaningful life refuse to be collapsed into one number?

1. The Future of Education | A Personal Vision by Sahil Tayal / education.sahiltayal.online
2. UNGRADABLE — A Playable Examination of What Exams Cannot Measure / ungradable.sahiltayal.com
3. Am I Successful? Who Defines Success? / success.sahiltayal.com
4. But Sahil, You Said X. Now You're Saying Y! — Still Becoming / stillbecoming.sahiltayal.com

CHAPTER 04 / A THEORY OF THE ARCHIVE

When does a collection become a universe?

A website has pages. A living archive has traces. A meaningful atlas helps people move between traces without making every detour into a recommendation or every relationship into a causal claim.

Three hypotheses worth testing

1. Discovery value. A visitor who starts at one world may find a useful neighbouring idea they would not have sought deliberately.
2. Context value. An essay on work gains meaning beside a simulation of invisible labour, a field observation from a neighbourhood shop, and a critique of rank-based education. Context supplies alternative lenses, not automatic proof.
3. Maintenance value. A shared registry makes disappearing links and technical debt visible. A beautiful map that fails to disclose broken destinations is theatre, not infrastructure.

A visitor experiment

Choose one genuinely interesting page and follow two adjacent worlds. Write down the question you arrived with, the surprise you encountered, and what you would now test or create. No points. No badge. The output is a changed question.

How to talk about evidence

Keep three labels separate: observed (an HTTP response was logged), interpreted (two works appear thematically related), and proposed (a future bridge, world, or idea worth investigating). Mixing these creates the illusion of certainty.

The goal is not to prove that every idea connects. It is to help human curiosity travel without losing contact with reality.

CHAPTER 05 / KEEPING THE LIGHTS ON

Maintenance is part of the art.

This is the protocol behind the public magic. It is intentionally less dramatic than a star map, and considerably more useful.

The status ladder

Working / 196

A successful HTTP response was recorded. Next: verify real rendering and core interactions in desktop and mobile browsers.

Broken / 120

A recorded error or unsuccessful response. Next: inspect path, redirects, deployment, certificate and content routing.

Cannot connect / 52

The auditor could not establish the connection. Next: investigate DNS, hosting, network restrictions or temporary failure.

Manual check / 68

Automated evidence was insufficient. Next: inspect a browser, page intent, and whether the URL should remain in the public atlas.

Refresh and verification

The packaged ORBITAL site is a static October 26 snapshot. To work with a newer registry, export the ALL LINKS sheet as CSV and import it using ORBITAL > Vault. That refresh affects only your browser; a new public build is required to publish the updated dataset. A direct authenticated sync would require an intentionally designed backend and permission model.

Three rules for the next iteration

Promote validated browser QA above HTTP-only status; curate links for each world instead of scattering hundreds of uncontextualised backlinks; preserve the canonical Sahil Tayal homepage as the stable entrance while allowing independent side doors.

SOURCE NOTES / OPEN DOOR POLICY

Go further without losing the thread.

The following first-party works are included because they are present in the atlas snapshot. Their page claims are not independently audited by this guide.

[Canonical home: sahiltayal.com](#)

[The alternative Sahilverse entrance](#)

[The Identity-Action Gap](#)

[Human Capital for Humans](#)

[The Kirana Observatory](#)

[The Olfactory Cathedral](#)

[The Reciprocity Atlas](#)

[The Unranked Learning World](#)

[SYNAPSE: A Living Idea Laboratory](#)

[The World Engine](#)

A tiny manifesto

More output is not automatically more value. An archive becomes more useful when someone can find what they need, identify uncertainty, move between perspectives, and leave with a better question. The stars are only the interface. The relationships are the work.

Created for ORBITAL / The Living Sahilverse Atlas. Designed as a visitor-oriented companion to the interactive site. Source snapshot: October 26, 2026. All external links were selected from the connected Live Atlas and their statuses are historical HTTP observations.