

BURMA-INDIA: AGREEMENT ON THE DELIMITATION OF THE MARITIME
BOUNDARY IN THE ANDAMAN SEA, THE COCO CHANNEL
AND THE BAY OF BENGAL*

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[Indian Chart No. 41 (Andaman Sea) and Indian Chart No.
31 (Bay of Bengal)]

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AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE REPUBLIC OF INDIA AND THE SOCIALIST REPUBLIC
OF THE UNION OF BURMA ON THE DELIMITATION OF THE MARITIME BOUNDARY
IN THE ANDAMAN SEA, IN THE COCO CHANNEL AND IN THE BAY OF BENGAL

THE REPUBLIC OF INDIA AND THE SOCIALIST REPUBLIC
OF THE UNION OF BURMA,
Desiring to strengthen the existing historical bonds of
friendship between the two countries,
Desiring to delimit by mutual agreement the Maritime Boundary
between the two countries in the Andaman Sea, in the Coco
Channel and in the Bay of Bengal,
Have agreed as follows:

ARTICLE I

The Maritime Boundary between India and Burma in
the Andaman Sea and in the Coco Channel is the straight
lines connecting points 1 to 14, the geographical coordinates
of which are in the sequence given below:-

<u>Points</u>	<u>Latitude North</u>			<u>Longitude East</u>		
1.	09°	38'	00"	95°	35'	25"
2.	09°	53'	14"	95°	28'	00"
3.	10°	18'	42"	95°	16'	02"
4.	10°	28'	00"	95°	15'	58"
5.	10°	44'	53"	95°	22'	00"
6.	11°	43'	17"	95°	26'	00"
7.	12°	19'	43"	95°	30'	00"
8.	12°	54'	07"	95°	41'	00"
9.	13°	48'	00"	95°	02'	00"
10.	13°	48'	00"	93°	50'	00"
11.	13°	34'	18"	93°	40'	59"
12.	13°	49'	11"	93°	08'	05"
13.	13°	57'	29"	92°	54'	50"
14.	14°	00'	59"	92°	50'	02"

The extension of the Maritime Boundary beyond
point 1 up to the Maritime Boundary trijunction point
between India, Burma and Thailand will be done subsequently
after the trijunction point is established by Agreement
between the three countries.

ARTICLE - II

The Maritime Boundary between India and Burma in the Bay of Bengal is the straight lines connecting points 14 to 16, the geographical coordinates of which are in the sequence given below:

<u>Points</u>	<u>Latitude North</u>	<u>Longitude East</u>
14.	14° 00' 59"	92° 50' 02"
15.	14° 17' 42"	92° 24' 17"
16.	15° 42' 50"	90° 14' 01"

The extension of the Maritime Boundary beyond point 16 in the Bay of Bengal will be done subsequently.

ARTICLE - III

The coordinates of the points specified in Articles I and II are the geographical coordinates and the straight lines connecting them are as indicated in Indian Chart No.41 of 1 December 1979 (Andaman Sea) and Indian Chart No.31 of 1 November 1976 (Bay of Bengal) annexed hereto, which form an integral part of this Agreement and which have been signed by the competent authorities of the two Parties.

ARTICLE - IV

The actual location at sea and on the seabed and on the continental shelf of the points specified in Articles I and II shall be determined by a method to be mutually agreed upon by the Hydrographic Surveyors authorised for the purpose by the two Parties.

ARTICLE - V

Each Party has sovereignty over the existing islands and any islands that may emerge, falling on its side of the Maritime Boundary.

ARTICLE - VI

Each Party has sovereignty, sovereign rights and jurisdictions in its respective maritime zones, falling on its side of the Maritime Boundary, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea, 1982.

ARTICLE - VII

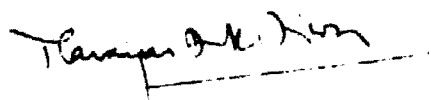
Any dispute concerning the interpretation or implementation of this Agreement shall be settled peacefully by consultation or negotiation between the two Parties.

ARTICLE - VIII

This Agreement shall be ratified in accordance with the Constitutional requirements of each Party. It shall enter into force on the date of the exchange of the Instruments of Ratification, which will take place at New Delhi as soon as possible.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the undersigned, being duly authorised thereto by their respective Governments, have signed this Agreement.

Done at Rangoon, this 23rd day of December 1986 in duplicate, each being drawn up in three authentic texts in the Hindi, Burmese and English languages. In the event of any conflict between the texts, the English text shall prevail.



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