

INDIA – Size and Location

Exercise -

01. Choose the right answer from the four alternatives given below:
- [i] The Tropic of Cancer does not pass through
-> (b) Odisha
 - [ii] The easternmost longitude of India is
-> (a) $97^{\circ}25'E$
 - [iii] Uttarakhand, Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, West Bengal and Sikkim have common frontiers with
-> (c) Nepal
 - [iv] If you intend to visit Kavaratti during your summer vacation, which one of the following Union Territories of India you will be going to
-> (b) Lakshadweep
 - [v] My friend hails from a country which does not share land boundary with India. Identify the country
-> (b) Tajikistan
02. Answer the following questions briefly:
- [i] Name the group of islands lying in the Arabian Sea
-> Lakshadweep
 - [ii] Name the countries which are larger than India
-> According to area (in million sq. km), Russia (17.09), Canada (9.98), USA (9.83), China (9.60), Brazil (8.51) and Australia (7.69)
 - [iii] Which island group of India lies to its south-east?
-> Andaman & Nicobar Islands
 - [iv] Which island countries are our southern neighbours?
-> Sri Lanka and Maldives
03. The Sun rises two hours earlier in Arunachal Pradesh as compared to Gujarat in the west but the watches show the same time. How does this happen?
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04. *The central location of India at the head of the Indian Ocean is considered of great importance. Why?*

-> *The central location of India at the head of the Indian Ocean is considered of great importance. This is because the trans-Indian Ocean routes which connect the countries of Europe in the West and the countries of East Asia provide a strategic central location to India.*

Map Skills -

01. *Identify the following with the help of map reading.*

[i] *The island groups of India lying in the Arabian Sea and the Bay of Bengal.*

-> *Lakshadweep in the Arabian Sea and Andaman & Nicobar Islands in the Bay of Bengal.*

[ii] *The countries constituting Indian subcontinent.*

-> *Pakistan, Afghanistan, China, Nepal, Bhutan, Bangladesh and Myanmar*

[iii] *The states through which the Tropic of Cancer passes*

-> *Gujarat, Rajasthan, Madhya Pradesh, Chhatisgarh, Jharkhand, West Bengal, Tripura and Mizoram.*

[iv] *The northernmost latitude in degrees*

-> *37°6'N*

[v] *The southernmost latitude of the Indian mainland in degrees*

-> *8°4'N*

[vi] *The eastern and westernmost longitude in degrees*

-> *Eastern-97°25'E and Western-68°7'E*

[vii] *The place situated on the three seas*

-> *India*

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[viii] The strait separating Sri Lanka from India

-> The Palk Strait

[ix] The Union Territories of India

-> Andaman & Nicobar Islands, Chandigarh, Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu, Delhi, Jammu & Kashmir, Ladakh, Lakshadweep and Puducherry.