

Notifications by India on the Exclusive Economic Zone
(15 January 1977).

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"In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (2) of section 1 of the Territorial Waters, Continental Shelf, Exclusive Economic Zone and other Maritime Zones Act, 1976 (80 of 1976), the Central Government hereby appoints the 15th day of January, 1977, as the date on which sections 5 and 7 of the said Act shall come into force."

II

"In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of section 8 of the Territorial Waters, Continental Shelf, Exclusive Economic Zone and other Maritime Zones Act, 1976 (80 of 1976) (hereinafter referred to as the Act), the Central Government hereby notifies that the limits of the historic waters of India in each of the areas of sea specified in column II of the Table below are as specified in the corresponding entry in column III of the Table.

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S. No.	Description of the area of sea	Limits of historic waters of India
I	II	III
1.	Palk Strait and Palk Bay	The area of sea bounded by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) the coast of the mainland of India; (b) the maritime boundary settled by the Agreement between India and Sri Lanka on the Boudary in Historic Waters between the two Countries and Related Matters, which came into force with effect from July 8, 1974; and (c) the arc of Great Circle between the following position defined by latitude and longitude in the Palk Strait: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) 10 degrees 17.5 minutes North, 79 degrees 52.7 minutes East;

- (ii) 10 degrees 05.0 minutes North, 80 degrees 03.0 minutes East.

2. Gulf of Manaar

The area of sea bounded by:

- (a) the coast of the mainland of
- (b) India, the maritime boundary settled by the Agreement between India and Sri Lanka on the Maritime Boundary between the two Countries in the Gulf of Manaar and the Bay of Bengal and Related Matters, which came into force with effect from May 10, 1976; and
- (c) the area of Great Circle between the following positions defined by latitude and longitude:
 - (i) 08 degrees 30.0 minutes North, 78 degrees 07.9 minutes East;
 - (ii) 08 degrees 22.2 minutes North, 78 degrees 55.4 minutes East.

2. - The historic waters of India in Palk Strait and Palk Bay area of sea are internal waters of India. The historic waters of India beyond the appropriate baseline referred to in section 3 (2) of the Act in the Gulf of Manaar area of sea have the same status as the territorial waters of India."