

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3613
ANSWERED ON:29.07.2009
RETRIEVAL OF KATCHATHEEVU ISLAND
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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to take steps for retrieval of Katchatheevu island; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI S.M. KRISHNA)

(a) & (b) No. The Government of India considers its maritime boundary with Sri Lanka settled under the Agreements concluded with Sri Lanka in 1974 and 1976. Both these Agreements were subsequently laid before Parliament.