

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
RAJYA SABHA
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ANSWERED ON
JOINT SURVEY FOR SIR CREEK DISPUTE .

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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :-

- (a) whether Government has conducted any joint survey to solve the Sir Creek dispute with Pakistan;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the details of the disputed area and the modalities worked out for the purpose;
- (d) the outcome of the joint survey; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

(SHRI S.M. KRISHNA)

(a) to (e) The international Boundary in the Sir Creek area and International Maritime Boundary line (IMBL) between India and Pakistan have not been demarcated. The Joint Survey of the Sir Creek and adjoining areas was conducted in January 2007. At the Surveyor General/Additional Secretary level talks held on May 17-18, 2007 in Islamabad, the two sides discussed the delimitation of the maritime boundary as well as the delineation of the boundary in the Sir Creek. They exchanged maps/charts showing their respective positions on the delineation of the boundary in the Sir Creek and delimitation of the maritime boundary. The two sides expressed satisfaction at the successful completion of the joint survey of Sir Creek and adjoining areas and agreed to continue discussions for amicable settlement of the issue.