

Chagos Islands

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Recently, Britain's government said that it had put on hold its deal to cede sovereignty of the Chagos Islands.

About Chagos Islands

- **Location:** It is an island group located in the **central Indian Ocean**.
- It is about 1,000 miles (1,600 km) south of the **southern tip of the Indian subcontinent**.
- It is an **overseas territory of the United Kingdom** that was established on November 8, 1965.
 - The principal islands in the archipelago include the Diego Garcia atoll, Danger Island, Egmont Islands, Eagle Islands, Nelsons Island, Peros Banhos atoll, Three Brothers Islands, and the Solomon Islands.
 - **Diego Garcia** is the largest and the most southerly island of the Chagos Archipelago.
- **Terrain:** The islands feature **flat and low terrain**, and most areas of the islands do not exceed more than 2 m in elevation.
- There are **no rivers and lakes** on the islands.
- **Climate:** It experiences a **tropical marine climate** with high temperatures and elevated humidity levels.

- The island's climate is **heavily moderated by the trade winds** which blow over the islands.

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