

Clarification/Explanation Simulator 2022 Test 4

Q.54) A doubt was raised regarding whether Oman borders Persian Gulf or not?

Explanation) **Oman does not borders Persian Gulf.**

Despite conflicting information on the internet, the locations of countries on water bodies are a matter of natural fact. The two water bodies- The Persian Gulf and the Gulf of Oman are inherently different entities. The two water bodies are separated by the famous Strait of Hormuz.

In common parlance, the countries of the region are grouped together as Gulf countries. Therefore, some sources may erroneously list Oman with the countries of the Persian Gulf. However, we urge you to consult your atlases and decide such factoids on your own observation.

Also, as per the official website of Oman, it says 'Oman is situated in the south eastern corner of the Arabian Peninsula. It is surrounded by the sea on two sides, the Sea of Oman to the Northeast and the Arabian Sea and the Indian Ocean to the Southeast.

From Musandam (located in the extreme North of the Sultanate) it overlooks the Strait of Hormuz, the gateway to the Gulf. So, here also it does not talk about bordering the Persian Gulf. In our understanding, the answer to this question remains the same.