

CHAPTER 9

ASIA

Let us read about the continent of Asia and the oceans around it. India is a part of Asia.

Compare the size of Asia with that of the other continents. Is there any continent larger than Asia?

Hang the map of Asia on the wall. There are many countries in Asia, besides India. These have been shown with different colours on the map.

What symbol has been used to show the boundaries between countries?

Taking help from Map 1, fill in the names of the countries of Asia in Map 2 and colour them in different colours.

Look at the map carefully and answer the following questions -

Which is the largest country?

Make a list of India's neighbouring countries :

- *countries to the north of India -*
- *countries to the east of India -*
- *countries to the west of India -*
- *countries to the south of India -*

You have seen that Asia is surrounded by oceans. Name these oceans. Locate their names in Map 1 and fill them up in Map 2.

You must have read that there are many islands in the oceans near India. An island is a piece of land surrounded by water on all sides.

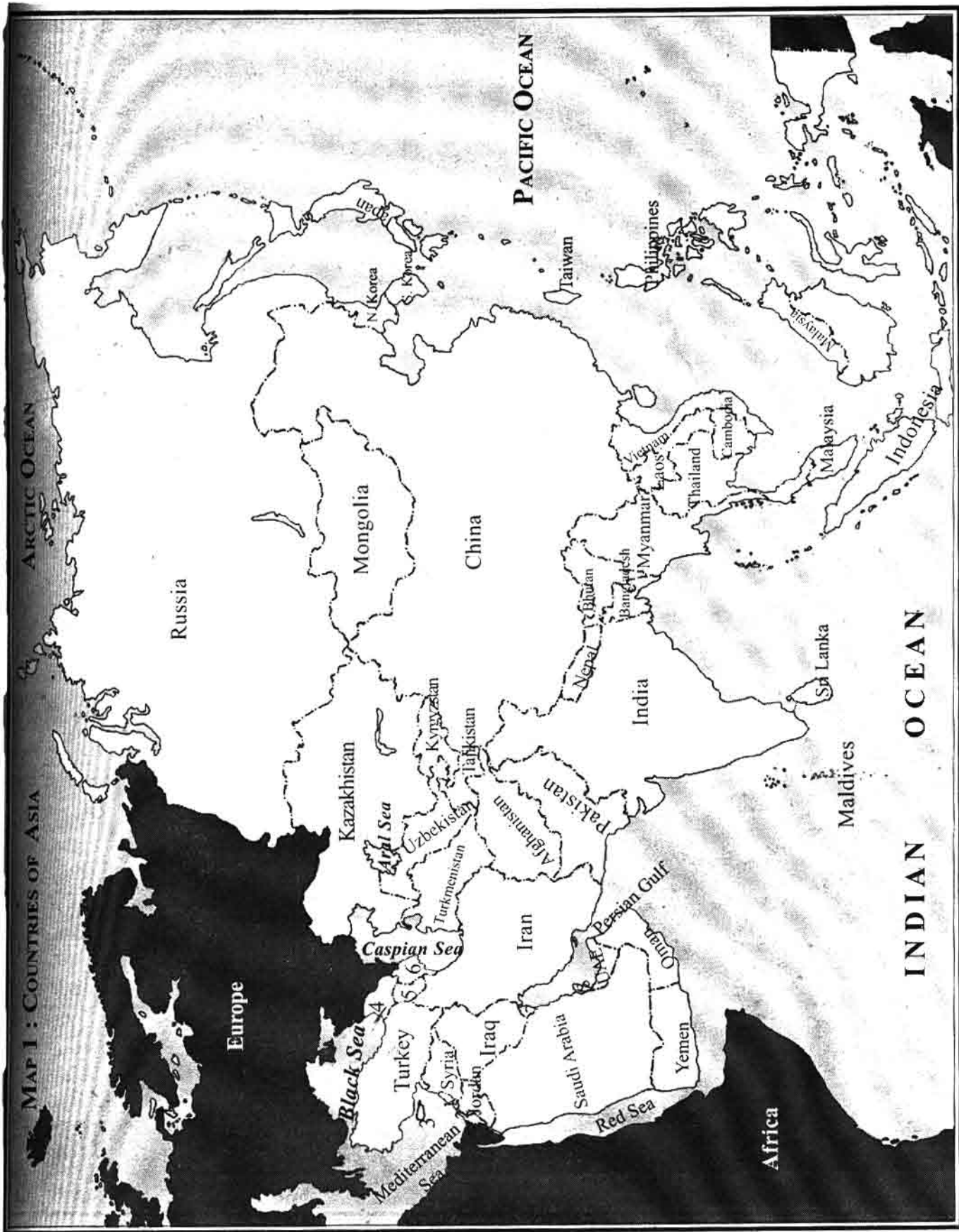
Some islands are also a part of India. Which are these?

Similarly, there are many chains (groups) of islands in South-East Asia.

Look at the map and find out the names of some of these island chains.

One of these groups of islands to the south-east of India is on the Equator. They are part of a country called Indonesia. We will read about this country in the next chapter.

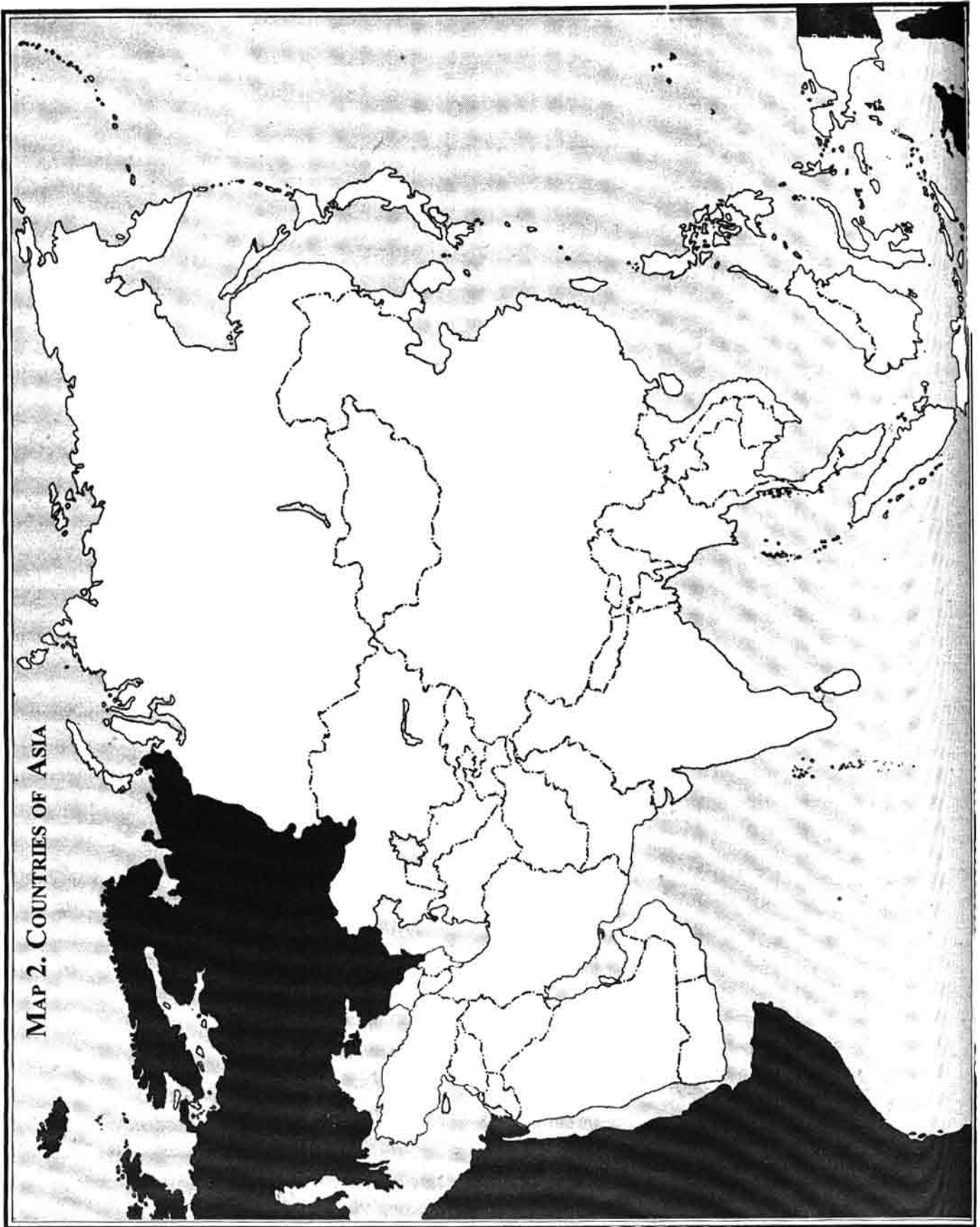
There are many kinds of climates, vegetation, animals, crops, lifestyles, etc on this earth. There is a world of difference between Indonesia on the Equator and the North Pole. Let us go on a journey from the Equator to the North Pole, and learn new things about different countries.



MAP 1 : COUNTRIES OF ASIA

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- 1- Lebanon 2- Israel 3- Cyprus 4- Georgia 5- Armenia 6- Azerbaijan
- 7- Kuwait 8- Baharein , Qatar.



Countries of Asia

Fill in the names of all the countries and colour each one differently. Be careful not to colour two neighbouring countries with the same colour.