

## EXAMPLE OF INTERPRETATION

### CONSTITUTION OF INDIA, 2018

#### ORIGINAL TEXT FOR LITERAL OR GRAMMATICAL INTERPRETATION

##### 5. Citizenship at the commencement of the Constitution:

At the commencement of this Constitution, every person who has his domicile in the territory of India and-

(a) who was born in the territory of India;

or (b) either of whose parents was born in the territory of India;

or (c) who has been ordinarily resident in the territory of India for not less than five years immediately preceding such commencement, shall be a citizen of India

#### CONTEXTUAL INTERPRETATION OF CLAUSES IN ARTICLE 5

1. at the commencement of this Constitution, every person shall be a citizen of India (*Main clause*)
2. who has his domicile in the territory of India (*Adjective clause, qualifying, "every person" in 1*)
3. and **(a)** who was born in the territory of India (*Adjective clause, qualifying, "every person" in 1, coordinate to 2*)
4. or **(b)** either of whose parents was born in the territory of India (*Adjective clause, qualifying, "every person" in 1, coordinate to 3*)
5. or **(c)** who has been ordinarily resident in the territory of India for not less than five years immediately preceding such commencement (*Adjective clause, qualifying, "every person" in 1, coordinate to 4*)

**CLASSIFICATION OF ARTICLE 5:** It contains one main clause and four subordinate clauses