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Q. Trace the evolution of concept of citizenship in India from the constitution's inception to the enactment of the CAA, 2019. How has this evolution reflected the changing dynamics of identity, security and inclusivity in Indian Policy?

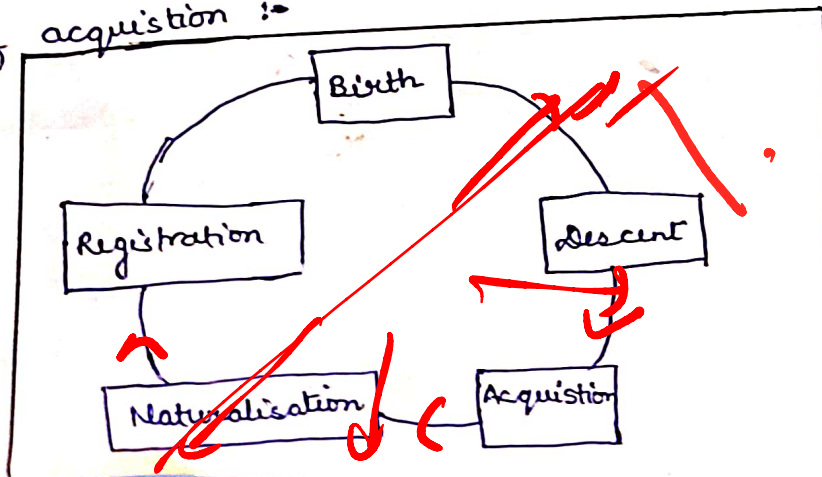
Citizenship defines the relationship between state and individual where later's full and equal participation to the highest political unit i.e. state. Part II of Indian constitution consists of article 5-11 contains the provision of citizenship.

### EVOLUTION OF CITIZENSHIP

1. Citizenship act, 1955

:- It provides for the acquisition and loss of citizenship after the commencement of the constitution.

Means of acquisition :-



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## 2. Citizenship amendment act Bill, 1984

- It is no longer to be born in India to be granted Indian citizenship.
- At the time of birth, one of the parents must be an Indian citizen.

## 3. Citizenship amendment Bill, 1993

- Eliminate discrimination against women in the matter of citizenship and their children.
- After this, the person shall be citizen if either of the parents is Indian.

## 4. Citizenship amendment act, 2003

- This act introduced and defined the concept of illegal migrant and making provision for potential imprisonment and deportation.

## 5. Citizenship amendment act, 2019

- It aims to grant citizenship to Hindu, Sikh, Buddhism, Jain, Parsi, Christian from Pakistan, Afghanistan and Bangladesh.
- It has 31<sup>st</sup> Dec, 2014 as a demarcated line to provide citizenship if you have entered on or before this date.

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- Residence requirement is relaxed from 11 years to 5 years.

### IMPACT ON IDENTITY

#### 1. SUBJECT TO CITIZEN

In pre colonial era individual is treated as subject but after 26th Jan 1950 they are being treated as citizen where they had access to their equal rights.

#### 2. JUST SOLI TO JUST SANGVINE

According to citizenship act 1955, citizenship is granted on the basis of birth i.e Just soli but in citizenship amendment act 2019, citizenship is granted if either of parent is born in India i.e on concept of blood i.e Just sanguine.

#### 3. DUAL IDENTITY OR IDENTITY POLITICS

Assamese identity got fueled with assamese blood and dual identity has been seen during 1985 and they were being identified as assamese-Indian.

#### 4. SHIFTING FROM TERRITORY IDENTITY TO DETERRITORISATION

Citizenship amendment act 2003 focused on ethnic cultural connection and there is reconstruction of cultural ambassador.

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and Hindutava also got strengthened.

### IMPACT ON SECURITY

1. Assam got disturbed due to influx of illegal bengali migrant from Bangladesh and in 1979-1985 there is youth movement against them by All Assam Student's Union and this resulted into Assam Accord 1985 which purpose is to identify the illegal migrant and they will be deported back to Bangladesh.
2. CAA 2019, led to communal tension as it hampered India's secular credential.

### IMPACT ON INCLUSIVENESS

#### 1. FROM INCLUSIVE TO EXCLUSIVE

CAA 2019 made it religious centric approach and in starting there is concept of inclusiveness through <sup>act</sup> 1955 where there is full and equal participation of an individual has been seen but CAA 2019 hampered article 14 which guarantees equality before the law and it excluded muslim population.



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2. All the articles related to citizenship i.e. from 5 to 10 talks about the inclusion of citizenship except article 9 which follows the principle of exclusion.

Thus, Indian citizenship is an inclusive concept, it is a marker of equality among all individual. So, a non-discriminatory framework and balancing the need of security and inclusivity should be developed guided by international principle of non-seifoulment.

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