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Constitution of India contains 395 articles in 22 parts.

Additional articles and parts are inserted later through various amendments. There are also 12 schedules in Indian Constitution. Those who are looking for a summary of Indian Constitution, this post might be the right place to start with; to understand the purpose and background of each article of the Constitution of India. This post can be seen as a ready reckoner/index of the Constitution of India. (Titles are mentioned for all articles from 1-395, separated under various parts and chapters. Preamble and Repealed articles or parts are specially mentioned.)

PREAMBLE

WE, THE PEOPLE OF INDIA, having solemnly resolved to constitute India into a SOVEREIGN, SOCIALIST, SECULAR, DEMOCRATIC, REPUBLIC and to secure to all its citizens:

JUSTICE, social, economic and political;

LIBERTY of thought, expression, belief, faith and worship; EQUALITY of status and of opportunity; and to promote among them all

FRATERNITY assuring the dignity of the individual and the unity and integrity of the nation;

IN OUR CONSTITUENT ASSEMBLY this twenty sixth day of November 1949 , do HEREBY ADOPT, ENACT AND GIVE TO OURSELVES THIS CONSTITUTION.

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393 Short title.

394 Commencement.

394A Authoritative text in the Hindi language.

395 Repeals.