

PART II

CITIZENSHIP BY DESCENT

Citizenship by descent in the case of persons born before the appointed date.

4. (1) Subject to the other provisions of this Part, a person born in Ceylon before the appointed date shall have the status of a citizen of Ceylon by descent, if—

- (a) his father was born in Ceylon, or
- (b) his paternal grandfather and paternal great grandfather were born in Ceylon.

(2) Subject to the other provisions of this Part, a person born outside Ceylon before the appointed date shall have the status of a citizen of Ceylon by descent, if—

- (a) his father and paternal grandfather were born in Ceylon, or
- (b) his paternal grandfather and paternal great grandfather were born in Ceylon.

5. (PERSONS BORN ON OR AFTER THE APPOINTED DATE.)

Certificate of citizenship of Ceylon by descent in case of doubt.

6. Upon application made in that behalf in the prescribed manner, the Minister may, in his discretion, grant, in the prescribed form, a certificate of citizenship of Ceylon by descent to a person with respect to whose status as a citizen of Ceylon by descent a doubt exists; and a certificate issued under this section to any person shall be conclusive evidence that that person was a citizen of Ceylon by descent on the date thereof, but without prejudice to any evidence that he was such a citizen at an earlier date.

No. 11 of 1968

IN THE PRIVY COUNCIL

ON APPEAL FROM

THE SUPREME COURT OF THE  
ISLAND OF CEYLON

BETWEEN:

THIRUMAN PALANIMALAY  
VERAPPEN APPELLANT

- and -

THE ATTORNEY GENERAL  
RESPONDENT

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ANNEXURE B

to the Case for the Appellant  
CITIZENSHIP ACT

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