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## Constitution of India Art 1 - Name and territory of the Union

- (1) India, that is Bharat, shall be a Union of State
- (2) The States and the territories thereof shall be as specified in the First Schedule.
- (3) The territory of India shall comprise—
  - (a) the territories of the States;
  - (b) the Union territories specified in the First Schedule; and
  - (c) such other territories as may be acquired.

### NOTES

**Nature of Indian Federation:** India is an indestructible union of destructible units.<sup>1</sup>

**Nature & Scope:** Article 1(3)(c) does not purport to confer power on India to acquire territories.<sup>2</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> Raja Ram Pal v. Hon'ble Speaker, Lok Sabha, (2007) 3 SCC 184 cited in Sankaranarayanan 2017

<sup>2</sup> Berubari Union (I), re AIR 1960 SC 845 cited in Sankaranarayanan 2017