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Copyright Act, 1957

Section 13 - Works in which copyright subsists.—

1) Subject to the provisions of this section and the other provisions of this Act, copyright shall subsist throughout India in the following classes of works, that is to say, (a) original literary, dramatic, musical and artistic works; (b) cinematograph films; and (c) 6[sound recording]. (2) Copyright shall not subsist in any work specified in sub-section (1), other than a work to which the provisions of section 40 or section 41 apply, unless (i) in the case of a published work, the work is first published in India, or where the work is first published outside India, the author is at the date of such publication, or in a case where the author was dead at that date, was at the time of his death, a citizen of India; (ii) in the case of an unpublished work other than an 7[work of architecture], the author is at the date of making of the work a citizen of India or domiciled in India; and (iii) in the case of an 7[work of architecture], the work is located in India. Explanation. In the case of a work of joint authorship, the conditions conferring copyright specified in this sub-section shall be satisfied by all the authors of the work.