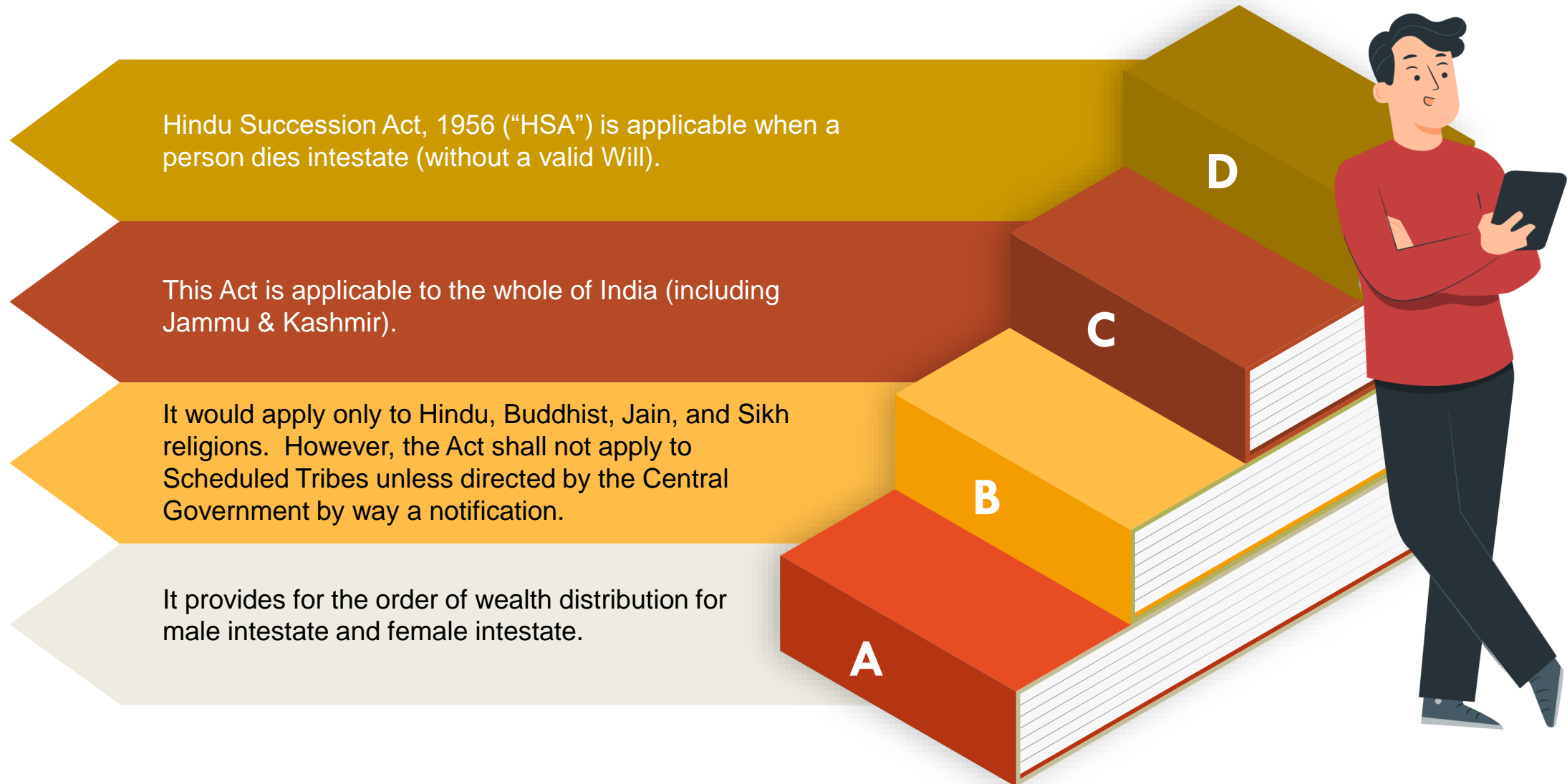




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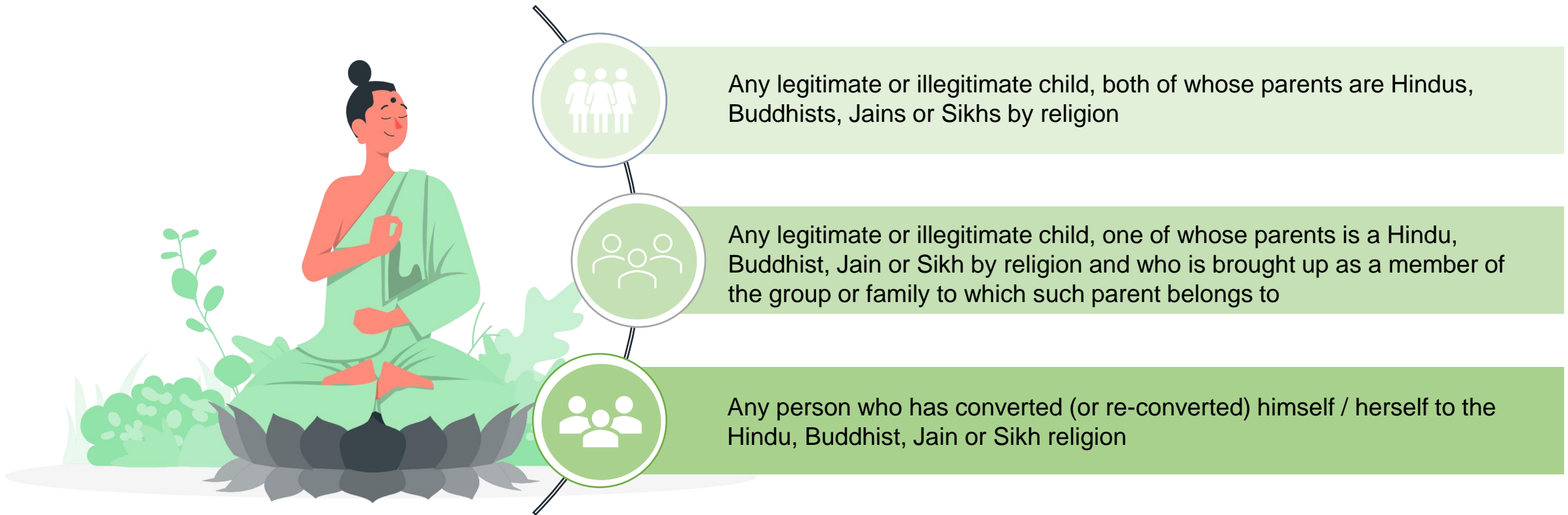
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# Introduction and Applicability

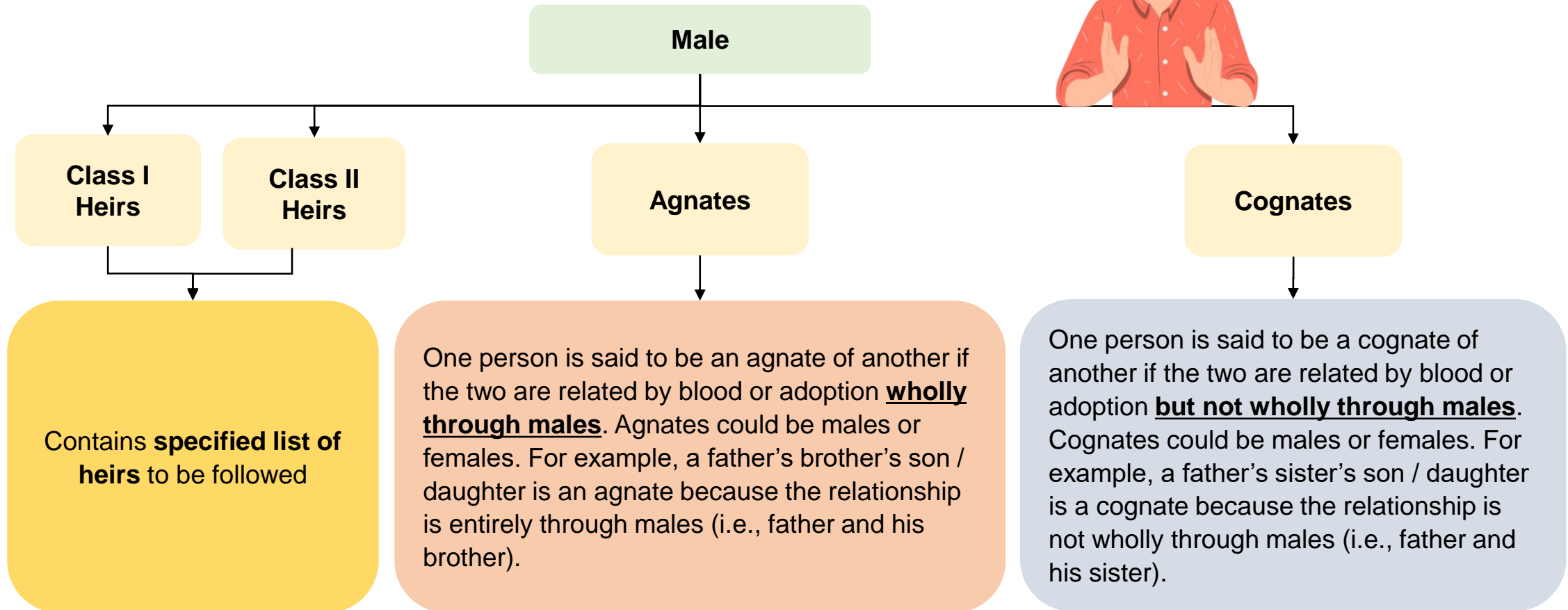
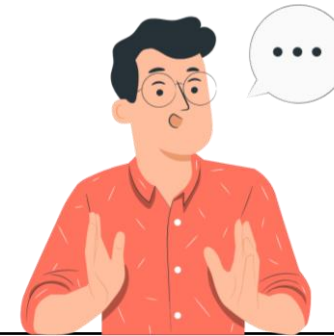


# Qualifications for applicability of HSA

The following persons are considered to be Hindus, Buddhists, Jains or Sikhs by religion and to any person who is not a Muslim, Christian, Parsi or Jew.

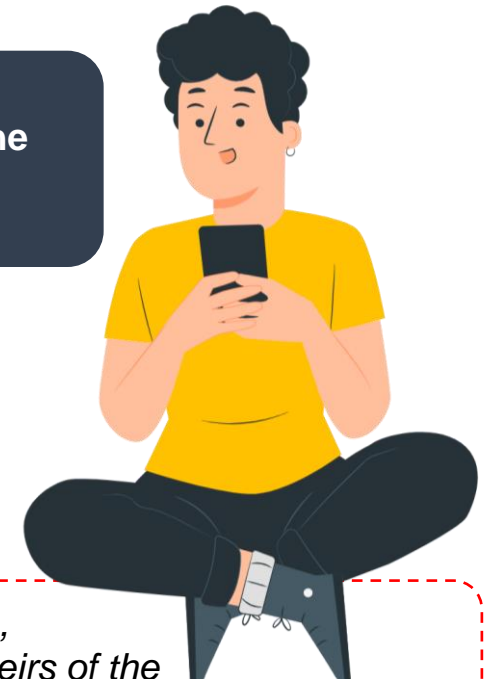
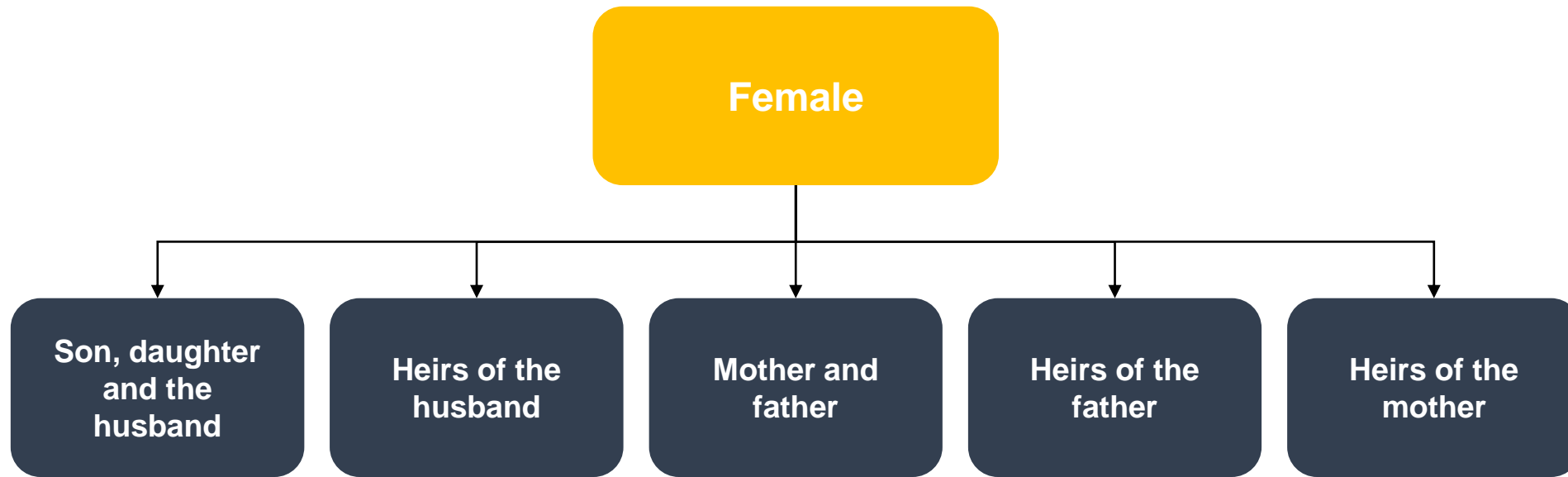


# Order for intestate succession for Male



The above hierarchy should be followed in a chronological manner. For instance, first preference should be given to Class I heirs and in case there is no class I heir, then to Class II heirs and so on. Even within the classes, there are certain rules. Stay tuned for future alerts for further understanding of the same.

# Order for intestate succession for Female



*Similar to male succession, the above hierarchy should be followed in a chronological manner. For instance, first preference to be given to Son, daughter and the husband and in case none of them are there, then to heirs of the husband and so on.*

# Did you know ?

1

**What would be the consequences in case there is no one who falls under the specified categories of succession for the deceased ?**

In case of absence of any such heir, the right in the property shall be passed on to the Government.

2

**What are the disqualifications for an heir to inherit the property ?**



- A person who commits or assists in a murder shall be disqualified from inheriting the property of the person murdered.
- Children, who are born to a person after conversion of such person's religion from Hindu to other religion (not covered by HSA), would be disqualified from inheriting any property of the deceased relative unless such children, at the time of succession, have converted themselves to the religion covered by HSA.  
Exception to the above – A person shall not be disqualified from inheritance on the ground of any disease, defect or deformity.

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