

WORD LIST-1 (MAR 15, 2023)

1. [inaction](#) (noun) – inactivity, passivity, apathy, negligence, disregard.
2. [intervention](#) (noun) – the process of intervening in something; involvement, interference.
3. [handling](#) (noun) – control, leadership, management, administration.
4. [legislative](#) (adjective) – relating to a legislature; law-making (body), parliamentary, policy-making, administrative.
5. [legitimise](#) (verb) – validate, legitimate, justify.
6. [Constitution Bench](#) (noun) – a bench of the Supreme Court having five or more judges on it. These benches are not a routine phenomenon. Constitution Benches are exceptions, set up only if some circumstances exist).
7. [Bench](#) (noun) – a court of law with a number of judges.
8. [recognition](#) (noun) – (formal) acknowledgement, official approval, acceptance, admission, validation.
9. [gender equality/parity/equity](#) (noun) – It is the view that everyone should receive equal treatment and not be discriminated against based on their gender (sex).
10. [apprehension](#) (noun) – doubt, misgiving, disquiet, concern.
11. [encroach](#) (verb) – intrude, violate, infringe, trespass, obtrude.
12. [domain](#) (noun) – area (of activity); realm, field, area.
13. [consequence](#) (noun) – outcome, ramification, repercussion.
14. [decriminalise](#) (verb) – to stop something from being illegal; make legal, legitimate, validate.
15. [contend](#) (verb) – claim, argue, state, assert, insist.
16. [depart from](#) (verb) - diverge, digress, deviate, turn away, vary, change.
17. [heteronormative](#) (adjective) – relating to the belief that people fall into distinct and complementary genders (male and female) with natural roles in life.
18. [understanding](#) (noun) – perception, comprehension, knowledge, awareness; feeling, consideration.
19. [ought to](#) (modal verb) – must, should.
20. [legislature](#) (noun) – law-making body or governing body; parliament, congress, council, assembly.
21. [interpret](#) (verb) – explain, elucidate, clarify, make clear.
22. [provision](#) (noun) – clause, (legal) term, stipulation, requirement, condition.

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23. Special Marriage Act (1954) (noun) – a legislation to govern marriages that could not be solemnised/Performed according to religious customs/traditions – which essentially meant inter-faith or inter-caste marriages.
24. marital (adjective) – relating to marriage/wedding.
25. act (noun) – law, decree, statute, bill, Act of Parliament, fiat, dictum, resolution, ruling, rule, ordinance.
26. solemnisation (noun) - a formal ceremony, especially that of marriage.
27. decriminalisation (noun) – the process of making something as a legal/legitimate one.
28. consensual (adjective) – relating to consensus/consent; in agreement with those who involved.
29. stigma (noun) – shame, disgrace, dishonour, discredit; Stigma occurs when society labels someone as disgraced or less desirable. Stigma involves three elements; a lack of knowledge (ignorance), negative attitudes (prejudice) and people behaving in ways that disadvantage the stigmatised person (discrimination).
30. confer (verb) – grant, bestow, present/give.
31. the state (noun) - the government, the administration, the regime, the authorities, the Establishment.
32. entitle (verb) - authorize, allow, empower.
33. keep out of (phrase) - to stop or prevent (something) from (something else).
34. in terms of (phrase) – with regard to, regarding/concerning, in connection with.
35. equality (noun) – equal rights, equal opportunities, non-discrimination.
36. norm (noun) – standard, convention, regulation.
37. recognise (verb) – acknowledge, accept, admit something (existence, validity, or legality).
38. civil rights (noun) - civil rights are the rights of individuals to be protected against unfair treatment based on certain personal characteristics like race, gender, age, or disability. Governments enact civil rights laws to protect people from discrimination in social functions such as education, employment, housing, and access to public accommodations.

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39. **incidental** (adjective) - unplanned, unexpected, inadvertent, accidental.
40. **succe^ssion** (noun) - line of descent, descent, ancestry, lineage, heritage, background.
41. **pose** (verb) – constitute, present, create, cause (a problem or danger or risk).
42. **insurmountable** (adjective) – unassailable, unbeatable, unstoppable, overwhelming, hopeless, impossible; no way to overcome/defeat.
43. **invoke** (verb) – cite, refer to, adduce, use, put into effect, turn to, resort to.
44. **futile** (adjective) – pointless, useless, valueless.
45. **undermine** (verb) – weaken, subvert, sabotage, damage.
46. **faith** (noun) – religion, religious belief, belief/ideology.
47. **rock** (verb) - stun, shock, shake up, surprise.
48. **societal** (adjective) – relating to society or social relations; public.
49. **sacrament** (noun) – a religious symbol, a religious rite, a religious act; ritual, ceremony, observance, practice.
50. **contract** (noun) - agreement, deal, pact.
51. **remedy** (noun) – solution, answer, antidote/panacea.
52. **bring about** (phrasal verb) - cause, create, give rise to.
53. **far-reaching** (adjective) – extensive, profound, radical, comprehensive, sweeping, all-embracing.
54. **indeed** (adverb) – in fact, actually, undeniably.
55. **proposition** (noun) – theory, concept, premise, idea, assumption.
56. **responsive** (adjective) – receptive, approachable/accessible, answering.
57. **cede** (verb) - concede, relinquish, yield, give up.
58. **act on** (phrasal verb) – comply with, follow, obey, conform to, adhere to, abide by.
59. **act on one's own** (phrase) – to act oneself without being asked to by someone in power; to behave in a more mature way.
60. **regardless of** (adverb) - in the face of, notwithstanding, in spite of, despite.

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