

## WORD LIST-2 (MAR 06, 2023)

1. power (noun) - control, influence, dominance.
2. Centre for Policy Research (CPR) (noun) - Founded in 1973, the CPR is a “non-profit, non-partisan, independent institution dedicated to conducting research that contributes to high quality scholarship, better policies, and a more robust public discourse about the issues that impact life in India”. This Delhi-based think tank works with government departments, autonomous institutions, charitable organisations and universities in India and across the globe.
3. Foreign Contribution (Regulation) Act (FCRA), 2010 (noun) – The FCRA regulates foreign donations and ensures that such contributions do not adversely affect internal security. First enacted in 1976, it was amended in 2010 when a slew of new measures were adopted to regulate foreign donations. The FCRA is applicable to all associations, groups and NGOs which intend to receive foreign donations. It is mandatory for all such NGOs to register themselves under the FCRA.
4. suspension (noun) - removal, stoppage, elimination.
5. drag into (phrasal verb) - to involve someone in a trouble (or a difficult situation).
6. quagmire (noun) – predicament, trouble, difficulty, difficult/unfortunate situation, muddle, mix-up.
7. premier (adjective) – leading, top-most, main, pre-eminent.
8. think tank (noun) – a panel of experts who provide advice and ideas on political, social or economic issues.
9. optics (noun) – (usually in a political situation) the way in which an event is seen/understood by the public.
10. substance (noun) – significant subject, important matter/content, valid message.
11. cite (verb) – refer to, make reference to, mention, point to.
12. authorities (noun) – official, officialdom, the people in charge.
13. lapse (noun) – failure, mistake, blunder, oversight.

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14. lack (noun) – absence, unavailability, non-existence.
15. due process (noun) – fair treatment (per established principles & procedures).
16. diversion (noun) – reallocation, redirection, rerouting.
17. allege (verb) – claim, indicate, argue; charge, accuse.
18. objective (noun) – intention, purpose, intent, goal, aim.
19. eagerness (noun) – willingness, preparedness, disposition, readiness.
20. writ large (phrase) – very clear, more obvious.
21. exercise (noun) – activity, operation; task, assignment.
22. governance (noun) – the act of governing something; government activity; administration.
23. state capacity (noun) – the ability of a government to accomplish policy goals, either generally or in reference to specific aims.
24. among other things (phrase) – used to indicate that there are several more things like the one mentioned, but that you do not intend to mention them all.
25. collaboration (noun) – cooperation, joint effort, team work,
26. advocacy (noun) – support, endorsement, backing, approval.
27. campaign (noun) – an organized effort which seeks to influence the decision making progress within a specific group.
28. wrath (noun) – extreme anger, rage, fury, ire, indignation.
29. raise/lower the bar (phrase) – set higher/lower level of something (e.g. standard) for others to meet.
30. tolerance (noun) – forbearance, toleration, liberality, open-mindedness, lack of prejudice, broad-mindedness, liberalism.
31. establishment (noun) – the powers that be, the system, the regime, the authorities, officialdom.
32. abysmal (adjective) – very bad, awful, terrible.
33. betray (verb) – reveal, expose, disclose, lay bare, make known.
34. inexplicable (adjective) – perplexing, mystifying, bewildering, mysterious, strange; incomprehensible, unfathomable, unexplainable.

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35. hostility (noun) - enmity, bitterness, rancour, resentment.
36. of all kinds (noun) - of all sorts/types.
37. regulatory (adjective) – organizational, managerial, supervisory.
38. mechanism (noun) – apparatus, medium, agency, instrument, channel.
39. vested interest (noun) – a personal interest in something to get a benefit.
40. unduly (adverb) – needlessly, unnecessarily, inappropriately, unreasonably, unjustifiably.
41. influence (verb) – have an effect on, affect, decide, determine.
42. sweeping (adjective) – extensive, decisive, complete, unconditional, unrestricted.
43. application (noun) – exercise, use, utilization, implementation.
44. border on (phrasal verb) – to be very like something; to come very close to being something.
45. vindictiveness (noun)  
– vengefulness, revengefulness, vengeance, revenge, avengement.
46. National Education Policy (NEP) (noun) – The National Education Policy, 2020 proposes the revision and revamping of all aspects of the education structure, including its regulation and governance, to create a new system that is aligned with the aspirational goals of 21st century education, including Sustainable Development Goal 4 (SDG4), while building upon India's traditions and value systems.
47. envisage (verb) – conceive, imagine, envision, think, perceive, apprehend.
48. excellence (noun) – a measurement of an individual's progress and growth; skill, talent, merit, brilliance.
49. centre of excellence (noun) – a place where highest standards are followed/observed.
50. Centre of Excellence (COE) (noun) – a team of skilled knowledge workers whose mission is to provide the organization they work for with best practices around a particular area of interest.
51. clash (with) (verb) – disagree, differ, dispute.

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52. insecure (adjective) – unconfident, self-doubting, doubtful, timid, apprehensive.
53. reactionary (adjective) – preventing/opposing political or social change; stopping/blocking new ideas.
54. (the) state (noun) – (the) government.
55. personnel (noun) – staff, employees, workforce.
56. sparingly (adverb) – in a restricted way; in a limited way; in small quantities; meagrely.
57. insulate (verb) – protect, safeguard, shield.
58. seek (verb) – try, aim, attempt (to obtain).
59. capital inflow (noun) – a steady movement of capital (amount) into a place, economy, activity etc.
60. paradox (noun) – contradiction, inconsistency, dichotomy, incongruity, anomaly; oddity, conundrum, mystery, puzzle, enigma.
61. at any rate (phrase) – in any case, anyhow, anyway, nevertheless, whatever happens.
62. capacity (noun) - ability, talent, competence, aptitude, skilfulness.
63. need of the hour (phrase) – some (urgent) need/requirement/demand at a particular point of time.
64. horizons (noun) – range of experience, outlook, perspective, perception, purview.
65. merely (adverb) – only, just.
66. tolerate (verb) – allow, acknowledge, accept, recognize; agree to, accede to, approve of.
67. facilitate (verb) – assist, help, aid, promote, ease, make possible.

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