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ADVANCED WORD LIST-1 (APR 22, 2023)

1. Line of Control (LoC) (noun) – it is a 450 mile-long military control line lying between India and Pakistan's controlled parts of the former (under the British) Jammu and Kashmir. This line is not actually a legally recognized international boundary but prevails as per de facto. After the Simla Agreement signed in July 1972, this line was officially renamed as “Line of Control” from “the Cease-fire Line”.
2. slip away (phrasal verb) - elapse, go past, disappear, dwindle.
3. stand the test of time (phrase) - to remain successful & popular for a very long time; to last for a very long period of time; to continue to be effective for a long time; keep going, endure.
4. radical (adjective) – complete, total, entire; major, serious.
5. the equation (noun) – the situation, the problem, the case.
6. passing (noun) – death, demise, passing away.
7. envoy (noun) - ambassador, emissary, consul, official.
8. revelation (noun) – disclosure, declaration, announcement.
9. squire (verb) - accompany.
10. stand-off (noun) - deadlock, impasse, standstill.
11. judiciary (noun) – a branch of government in which judicial power is vested; judges collectively.
12. come in the way of (phrase) - prevent, obstruct, stop someone/something from doing something else (proceeding/progressing/moving/advancing).
13. shelve (verb) – postpone, put off, delay, defer, reschedule.
14. memoir (noun) – autobiography, life story, recollections/experiences.
15. insider (noun) – a member of any group of people of limited number and generally restricted access; member, staff member, employee.
16. hawk (noun) – a person who supports an aggressive or warlike policy, (in external/foreign affairs).
17. dove (noun) – a person who supports a peaceful or conciliatory policy, (in external/foreign affairs).
18. fleeting (adjective) – brief, transient, short-lived, short, momentary.
19. expand on (phrasal verb) - add detail to, build on, enlarge on, develop.
20. demilitarization (noun) – disarmament, arms control, limitation or reduction of arms, deactivation of military weapons, decommissioning (of arms/weapons).
21. hinge on (verb) – depend on, be based, be dependent.
22. reality check (noun) – something which helps us to see a situation with the real facts than ideas, concepts, hopes & etc.
23. veto (noun) – a right/power to reject a decision/proposal; rejection, dismissal, denial, ban, prohibition.

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24. [Article 370 of the Constitution of India](#) (noun) – It had “temporary provisions with respect to the State of Jammu and Kashmir” which gave special powers to the state. The article allowed the state a certain amount of autonomy – its own constitution, a separate flag and freedom to make laws. Foreign affairs, defence and communications remained the preserve (domain) of the central government. It also allowed Jammu and Kashmir to make its own rules relating to permanent residency, ownership of property and fundamental rights. It did also bar Indians from outside the state from purchasing property or settling there.
25. [optics](#) (noun) – the way in which something (political action/situation) is recognized by the general public.
26. [grim](#) (adjective) – distressing, upsetting, worrying, unpleasant, dismal/awful.
27. [rend](#) (verb) - break something violently and cause emotional pain to.
28. [Shanghai Cooperation Organisation \(SCO\)](#) (noun) – The Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) is a permanent intergovernmental international organisation, the creation of which was announced on 15 June 2001 in Shanghai (China). The SCO currently comprises eight Member States (China, India, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Russia, Pakistan, Tajikistan and Uzbekistan) and is seen as a counterweight to NATO (The North Atlantic Treaty Organization). It was established as a multilateral association to ensure security and maintain stability across the vast Eurasian region, join forces to counteract emerging challenges and threats, and enhance trade, as well as cultural and humanitarian cooperation.
29. [rupture](#) (verb) - break, fragment, split, separate.
30. [recount](#) (verb) – narrate, describe, tell, depict.
31. [airbase](#) (noun) – a military airport.
32. [back-channel](#) (noun) – a secondary or secret route.
33. [emissary](#) (noun) - ambassador, envoy, consul.
34. [intelligence](#) (noun) – (military/political) information, facts, details, particulars.
35. [ceasefire](#) (noun) – a temporary stoppage of a war, truce, armistice.
36. [missile](#) (noun) – a self-propelled/rocket-propelled weapon designed to deliver a conventional/nuclear explosive warhead with great accuracy at high speed; projectile.

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37. quasi- (combining form) – supposed, seeming, alleged, ostensible, purported, nominal, so-called.
38. statehood (noun) – the condition of being an independent state.
39. corridor (noun) – a strip/swathe of land linking two areas (particularly by a road).
40. valley (noun) – a low area between hills or mountains typically with a river running through it.
41. vet (verb) - assess, evaluate, examine, scrutinize.
42. revoke (verb) – invalidate, cancel, repeal, nullify.
43. snap (verb) – break suddenly and completely.
44. to begin with (phrase) - at first, initially, at the outset, to start with.
45. Article 35(A) of the Indian Constitution (noun) - It provides special rights and privileges to the citizens of Jammu & Kashmir, was incorporated in the Constitution of India in 1954.
46. demography (noun) – the composition/formation of a specific human population.
47. consensus (noun) – an idea or opinion that is shared by all the people in a group, agreement, concurrence.
48. 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).
49. inheritance (noun) – succession, taking over; legacy, bequest, endowment, birthright, benefaction.
50. on the ground (phrase) – in a situation/place where things are happening really/practically.
51. wrought (verb) – (old) past and past participle of work (verb) – cause, effect.
52. crackdown (noun) – clampdown, getting tough/severe measures, suppression.
53. civil society (noun) – civil society refers to space for collective action around shared interests, purposes, and values, generally distinct from government and commercial for-profit actors. It refers to a wide array of organizations: community groups, non-governmental organizations [NGOs], labour unions, indigenous groups, charitable organizations, faith-based organizations, professional associations, and foundations. Civil society – sometimes called the “third sector” (after government and commerce) – has the power to influence the actions of elected policy-makers and businesses.

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54. **social contract** (noun) – it comprises people agreeing to live as one under common laws and in enforcing those common laws justly/fairly.
55. **contract** (noun) - agreement, commitment, compact, pact.
56. **elusive** (adjective) – difficult to find, difficult to achieve; intangible.
57. **precariousness** (noun) - unpredictability, unreliability, riskiness.
58. **make headway** (phrasal verb) - to make progress.
59. **unravel** (verb) – fall apart, fail, collapse, go wrong.
60. **status quo** (noun) – the present situation, the current state, the existing state of affairs.
61. **overhang** (noun) – a situation which is lingering, indecisive and it is also having (a negative effect).
62. **proxy** (noun) – deputy, representative, substitute. (proxy war means war through a representative/agent).
63. **nuclear-armed** (adjective) – equipped/furnished with nuclear weapons.
64. **beguile** (verb) – charm, attract, captivate, mesmerize, tempt, lure, entice (in a deceptive way); mislead, deceive, trick.
65. **the way forward** (phrase) – something (a plan/action) that leads to success in the future.

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