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WORD LIST-2 (JAN 29, 2022)

1. **Valley** (noun) – a low area between hills or mountains typically with a river running through it.
2. **seek** (verb) – try, aim, attempt.
3. **bridge** (verb) – join, link, connect, unite.
4. **bridge the gulf/gap/divide** (phrase) – try to find a way to reduce the gap and bring the two separate groups or viewpoints together.
5. **eye** (verb) – look at, see, observe, view, consider, contemplate.
6. **term** (noun) - spell, stint.
7. **alliance** (noun) – coalition, association, union, partnership.
8. **defector** (noun) – betrayer, turncoat, traitor (a person who changes sides).
9. **mark** (noun) – required level, stage.
10. **defection** (noun) – desertion, absconding, decamping.
11. **ally** (verb) - join up, join forces, go into partnership, team up, collaborate, form an alliance.
12. **ally** (noun) - partner.
13. **exercise** (verb) – use, employ, make use of, utilize.
14. **undue** (adjective) – excessive, extreme, immoderate.
15. **influence** (noun) - power, authority, sway, leverage, weight.
16. **rival** (noun) – opponent, adversary.
17. **tie-up** (noun) – alliance, coalition.
18. **likely** (adjective) – probable, possible, credible, plausible, believable, imaginable.
19. **scenario** (noun) – situation, background, context.
20. **influential** (adjective) – powerful, dominant, strong; important.
21. **functionary** (noun) – official, representative, agent, especially in a government or political party.
22. **in contention** (phrase) – competing, contesting, contending, vying (& having a good chance of success in a contest).

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23. neighbouring (adjective) – adjacent.
24. geographical (adjective) – zonal, territorial, topical.
25. divide (noun) - division, separation, difference.
26. Meitei/Manipuri people (noun) - an ethnic group native to the state of Manipur in northeastern India. Meitei people also called Manipuri, dominant population of Manipur in northeastern India.
27. dominate (verb) – be most important, be influential, be significant.
28. have an edge over (phrase) - to have a slight advantage/superiority over.
29. inhabit (verb) – live in, occupy (a place).
30. inhabited (adjective) – relating to a place where people & animals live in.
31. largely (adverb) – mostly, mainly.
32. ideological (adjective) – relating to a system of ideas (ideology).
33. tap (verb) – use, utilize, draw on, exploit, milk, make use of, put to use.
34. decade (noun) – a period of ten years.
35. foothold (noun) – grip, anchorage, purchase, support.
36. in the event of something (phrase) – if something happens.
37. hung Assembly (noun) - When no party or pre-poll alliance is able to secure a majority in the election, this leads to a hung Assembly.
38. stronghold (noun) – bastion, fortress, fort.
39. limited (adjective) – restricted, controlled, restrained, constrained, confined.
40. fray (noun) – competition, contest.
41. infrastructure (noun) – the basic physical or organisational structure or framework that a country or organization needs in order to function properly. For a whole nation, it includes all the physical systems such as buildings, roads & railways networks, utilities, etc.
42. electrification (noun) – making a machine/system work using electricity.
43. psychological (adjective) - mental, emotional, rational.

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44. **repeal** (noun) - revocation, cancellation, reversal, annulment, nullification, invalidation, abolition, abrogation, withdrawal.
45. **Armed Forces (Special Powers) Act, (AFSPA), 1958** (noun) – In simple terms, Armed Forces (Special Powers) Act (AFSPA) gives armed forces the power to maintain public order in “disturbed areas”. They have the authority to prohibit a gathering of five or more persons in an area, can use force or even open fire after giving due warning if they feel a person is in contravention of the law. If reasonable suspicion exists, the army can also arrest a person without a warrant; enter or search a premises without a warrant; and ban the possession of firearms.
46. **enactment** (noun) - passing, making law, implementation.
47. **Manipur (Hill Areas) Autonomous District Councils (ADC) Bill 2021** (noun) - it provides more autonomy to the tribal councils.
48. **the Hill Area Committee (HAC), Manipur** (noun) - it has been constituted with a sole purpose of ensuring accelerated development of the hill areas and to promote unity between the people of the hill areas and the remaining sections of the state.
49. **autonomy** (noun) – independence, freedom (from external control/influence).
50. **talking point** (noun) - subject, subject matter, theme.
51. **campaign** (noun) – canvassing, electioneering, an act of soliciting (asking for/requesting) votes; an organized effort that seeks to influence the decision-making progress within a specific group.

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