

WORD LIST-2 (MAR 09, 2023)

1. **Supreme Leader of Iran** (noun) – the head of state of the Islamic Republic of Iran. The dominant figure in Iranian politics is not the president but rather the supreme leader. According to the constitution of Islamic Republic of Iran, the President of Iran is the chief executive who is elected by direct vote of people of Iran and Supreme Leader of Iran is the highest ranked political and religious head in Islamic Republic of Iran.
2. **de facto** (adjective) – actual, real, existing, existent.
3. **subject to** (adjective) – susceptible to, liable to, easily affected by, in danger of, at risk of.
4. **amidst** (preposition) – amid, in the middle of; during.
5. **trigger** (verb) – cause, give rise to, lead to, bring about, generate, provoke, stir up.
6. **infamous** (adjective) – notorious, disreputable, ill-famed.
7. **morality police** (noun) – “Gasht-e-Ershad,” which translates as “guidance patrols,” and is widely known as the “morality police,” is a unit of Iran’s police force established under former hardline president Mahmoud Ahmadinejad.
8. **province** (noun) – territory, region, district, area.
9. **reportedly** (adverb) – allegedly, supposedly, purportedly, ostensibly, apparently.
10. **theory** (noun) – hypothesis, speculation, assumption.
11. **extremist** (noun) – fanatic, militant, radical, sectarian/partisan.
12. **authorities** (noun) – officials, officialdom, the people in charge, the government the bureaucracy.
13. **probably** (adverb) – possibly, potentially, likely.
14. **regime** (noun) – government.
15. **spare** (verb) – excuse, pardon, forgive, leave unpunished, be lenient to.
16. **Islamic Revolution/Iranian Revolution** (noun) – it was a popular revolt in Iran in 1978–79 that led to the toppling of the monarchy on February 11, 1979, and resulted in the establishment of an Islamic republic.
17. **workforce** (noun) – personnel, staff, employees.

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18. **World Bank** (noun) – The World Bank is an international development organization owned by 187 countries. Its role is to reduce poverty by lending money to the governments of its poorer members to improve their economies and to improve the standard of living of their people. The World Bank was established in 1944 to help rebuild Europe and Japan after World War II. Its official name was the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD).
19. **literacy** (noun) – the ability to read and write.
20. **decade** (noun) – a period of ten years.
21. **consistently** (adverb) – repeatedly, constantly, regularly, invariably.
22. **outnumber** (verb) – to be more than someone in number; to exceed in number; beat, outstrip, eclipse, outdo.
23. **given** (preposition) – considering, taking into account, bearing in mind.
24. **jolt** (verb) – surprise, shock, stun.
25. **coincidence** (noun) – co-occurrence, coexistence, conjunction, simultaneity.
26. **brutal** (adjective) – savage, vicious, barbaric, murderous, wicked.
27. **mullah** (noun) – a Muslim scholar, teacher, or religious leader.
28. **persist** (verb) – continue, last, endure.
29. **growing** (adjective) – increasing.
30. **chasm** (noun) – a clear difference between two people/groups' thoughts, feelings, opinions, etc.; divergence, disunion, gulf, void, gap.
31. **revolutionary** (noun) – rebel, insurgent, agitator.
32. **lack** (noun) – absence, unavailability, non-existence.
33. **widen** (verb) – increase, enlarge, expand.
34. **crack** (noun) – gap, break, fracture, fissure; flaw; a vulnerable point.
35. **the state** (noun) - the government, the administration.
36. **drive** (verb) – propel, push, move; urge.
37. **embrace** (verb) – undertake, accept, adapt, shoulder.
38. **address** (verb) – tackle, deal with, attend to, try to sort out.

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