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## WORD LIST-1 (APR 18, 2022)

1. India Meteorological Department (IMD) (noun) – an agency under the Ministry of Earth Sciences of the Government of India which is responsible for meteorological observations, weather forecasting and seismology. It has the responsibility for forecasting, naming and distributing warnings for tropical cyclones in the Northern Indian Ocean region, including the Malacca Straits, the Bay of Bengal, the Arabian Sea and the Persian Gulf.
2. forecast (noun) – prediction, indication, projection, prognosis, speculation, calculation (of future events or trends).
3. stress (verb) - emphasize, draw/focus attention on, highlight, underline, underscore.
4. long period average (LPA) (noun) – LPA is the average rainfall received by the country as a whole during the south-west monsoon, for a 50-year period. The current LPA is 88 cm, based on the mean (average) rainfall over the years 1951 and 2000.
5. lopsided (adjective) - asymmetrical, uneven, unequal.
6. around the time (phrase) - at the moment (approximately).
7. imminent (adjective) – close/near, about to happen, approaching/impending.
8. thus (adverb) – therefore, accordingly, hence, as a result, for that reason.
9. utility (noun) – usefulness, use, advantage, benefit, value, helpfulness, service.
10. predicate on/upon (phrasal verb) – base, be dependent, establish, found, premise.
11. El Nino (noun) – an unusual/abnormal warming of the waters across the central and eastern equatorial Pacific that lies closer to the Americas). La Niña means abnormal cooling.
12. dry up (phrasal verb) - dwindle, wane, disappear, vanish, subside, fade away, come to nothing, come to a an end.
13. parameter (noun) - criterion, factor, guideline.
14. Indian Ocean Dipole (IOD) (noun) – it is defined by the difference in the sea surface temperature between the two equatorial areas of the Indian Ocean – a western pole near the Arabian Sea (in the western Indian Ocean) and an eastern pole closer to the Bay of Bengal (in the eastern Indian Ocean). The IOD affects the climate of Southeast Asia, Australia and other countries across the Indian Ocean.

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15. make public (phrase) - publish, publicize, communicate, circulate, broadcast.
16. norm (noun) – standard, rule, convention, regulation, guideline.
17. World Meteorological Organization (WMO) (noun) - As a specialized agency of the United Nations, WMO is dedicated to international cooperation and coordination on the state and behaviour of the Earth's atmosphere, its interaction with the land and oceans, the weather and climate it produces, and the resulting distribution of water resources. Headquarters location: Geneva, Switzerland.
18. signatory (noun) – the person who signed an official document/agreement.
19. stuck with (phrase) - continue with something.
20. reflect (verb) - indicate, show, display, demonstrate, represent.
21. count for (phrase) - to be valid for something.
22. surface (noun) - outward appearance; at first glance, to the casual eye, outwardly, apparently, ostensibly.
23. decade (noun) – a period of ten years.
24. shift (noun) - change, alteration, adjustment, variation, modification, revision.
25. epoch (noun) – era, period, time.
26. global warming (noun) – it is the unusually rapid increase in Earth's average surface temperature over the past century primarily due to the greenhouse gases released as people burn fossil fuels.
27. tendency (noun) – inclination, disposition, leaning, penchant; trend.
28. certainly (adverb) - unquestionably, surely, definitely, beyond question/doubt, unequivocally, undeniably, obviously.
29. play a role (phrase) – contribute to, be instrumental in, be a factor in.
30. lay stress on (phrase) - emphasize, draw/focus attention on, highlight, underline, underscore.
31. fortnight (noun) – a period of two weeks/fourteen days continuously.
32. rather than (phrase) - instead of.
33. anachronistic (adjective) - outdated, out-of-date, old-fashioned, outmoded, old-time, ancient, archaic.

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