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ADVANCED WORD LIST-1 (NOV 04, 2021)

1. bat for (phrasal verb) - support, back.
2. make sense (phrase) – be accepted, be convincing, hold up, prove true.
3. climate change (noun) – a long-term change in the Earth's climate, or of a region on Earth.
4. pack a punch (phrase) - have a strong effect.
5. road map (noun) – plan/strategy to do something successfully.
6. G-20 (noun) – The G20, formed in 1999, is a group of twenty of the world's largest economies that meets regularly to coordinate global policy on trade, health, climate, and other issues. It brings together the world's major advanced and emerging economies. The G20 comprises Argentina, Australia, Brazil, Canada, China, EU, France, Germany, India, Indonesia, Italy, Japan, Mexico, Russia, Saudi Arabia, South Africa, South Korea, Turkey, UK and USA. The G20 Countries together represent around 90% of global GDP, 80% of global trade, and two thirds of the world's population.
7. 26th UN Climate Change Conference of the Parties (COP26) (noun) – The 26th session of the Conference of the Parties (COP26) of the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) is expected to take place from 01-12 November 2021, in Glasgow, UK. The COP26 summit will bring parties together to accelerate action towards the goals of the Paris Agreement and the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change.
8. Climate Treaty or Paris Agreement/Accord/pact (noun) – The Paris Agreement is a legally binding international treaty on climate change. It was adopted by 196 Parties at COP 21 in Paris, on 12 December 2015 and entered into force on 4 November 2016. Its goal is to limit global warming to well below 2, preferably to 1.5 degrees Celsius, compared to pre-industrial levels.
9. International Solar Alliance (ISA) (noun) - The International Solar Alliance (ISA) was conceived as a coalition of solar-resource-rich countries (which lie either completely or partly between the Tropic of Cancer and the Tropic of Capricorn) to address their special energy needs. ISA has been conceived as be an action-oriented, member-driven, collaborative platform for increased deployment of solar energy technologies to enhance energy security and sustainable development, and to improve access to energy in developing member countries.

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10. Coalition for Disaster Resilient Infrastructure (CDRI) (noun) - The Coalition for Disaster Resilient Infrastructure (CDRI) is a partnership of national governments, UN agencies and programmes, multilateral development banks and financing mechanisms, the private sector, and knowledge institutions that aims to promote the resilience of new and existing infrastructure systems to climate and disaster risks in support of sustainable development.
11. Infrastructure for Resilient Island States (IRIS) (noun) - IRIS, a dedicated initiative, has been co-created by the Coalition for Disaster Resilient Infrastructure (CDRI) with support from Member Countries and organizations and Small Island Developing States (SIDS) representatives. IRIS aims to support SIDS in achieving sustainable development through a systematic approach to resilient, sustainable, and inclusive infrastructure.
12. summit (noun) – meeting, conference, conclave.
13. Nationally determined contributions (NDCs) (noun) – NDCs are at the heart of the Paris Agreement and the achievement of these long-term goals. NDCs embody efforts by each country to reduce national emissions and adapt to the impacts of climate change.
14. elicit (verb) – obtain, bring forth/bring out, draw out.
15. subcontinent (noun) – the Indian subcontinent, it is a physiographical region in South Asia. Geopolitically, the Indian subcontinent, consisting variably of India, Nepal, Bangladesh, Pakistan, Bhutan, Sri Lanka, and the Maldives.
16. foray (noun) – a brief & active attempt to get involved in a new activity/sphere.
17. fruitless (adjective) – ineffective, unproductive, futile, useless.
18. feeble (adjective) – weak, powerless, helpless; insubstantial, unsuccessful, ineffective.
19. voice (noun) – opinion, view, wish, desire.
20. accrue (verb) – to receive an amount of something gradually over a period of time; accumulate, collect, gather, build up, be added.
21. degradation (noun) – deterioration, degeneration, breakdown.
22. South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation (SAARC) (noun) – Established in 1985, it is the regional intergovernmental organization and geopolitical union of states in South Asia. Its member states are Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Bhutan, India, the Maldives, Nepal, Pakistan and Sri Lanka.

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23. takeover (noun) – seizure, occupation, capture; gaining of control, change of ownership.
24. bring close (phrase) – bring to an end, dissolve, finish, conclude.
25. The Bangladesh, Bhutan, India, Nepal (BBIN) Initiative (noun) – The Bangladesh, Bhutan, India, Nepal (BBIN) sub-regional initiative is envisioned to improve economic cooperation and connectivity among the four South Asian countries. For India, this initiative allows it to bypass some of the more complex political issues of SAARC and engage in direct discussions on connectivity with Bhutan, Bangladesh and Nepal.
26. hold up (phrasal verb) – support, hold, sustain, keep up.
27. Motor Vehicle Agreement (MVA) (noun) - a landmark framework agreement to facilitate the seamless flow of passenger, personal and cargo vehicular traffic between and among the BBIN countries.
28. Bay of Bengal Initiative for Multi-Sectoral Technical and Economic Cooperation (BIMSTEC) (noun) – a regional organization comprising seven Member States lying in the littoral and adjacent areas of the Bay of Bengal constituting a contiguous regional unity. This sub-regional organization came into being on 6 June 1997 through the Bangkok Declaration. It constitutes seven Member States: five deriving from South Asia, including Bangladesh, Bhutan, India, Nepal, Sri Lanka, and two from Southeast Asia, including Myanmar and Thailand.
29. bring about (phrasal verb) – cause, create, produce.
30. charter (noun) – constitution, system of rules, a body of law.
31. to begin with (phrase) – at first, originally, to start with.
32. regardless of (phrase) – despite, notwithstanding, in spite of.
33. rivalry (noun) – opposition, conflict, discord.
34. cohesive (adjective) – united, integrated, cooperated; adhering.
35. glacier (noun) – a large body of ice which flows under its own mass. Glaciers are made of layers of compressed snow that move or “flow” due to gravity and the softness of ice relative to rock.
36. intricate (adjective) - complex, complicated.
37. buffet (verb) - (of difficult situations) afflict, trouble, burden, bother, beset someone repeatedly over a long period of time.
38. Global Climate Risk Index (noun) - It analyses to what extent countries and regions have been affected by impacts of weather-related loss events (storms, floods, heat waves etc.). Human impacts (fatalities) and direct economic losses were analysed.

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39. vulnerability (noun) – weakness, defencelessness, unprotectedness, susceptibility.
40. 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.
41. salinity (noun) - the term "salinity" refers to the concentrations of salts in water or soils.
42. scarcity (noun) – shortage, paucity, insufficiency.
43. Asian Development Bank (ADB) (noun) - The Asian Development Bank (ADB) envisions a prosperous, inclusive, resilient, and sustainable Asia and the Pacific, while sustaining its efforts to eradicate extreme poverty in the region. Established in 1966, it is owned by 68 members-49 from the region.
44. Gross domestic product (GDP) (noun) – a measure of economic activity in a country. It is the total value of a country's annual output of goods and services.
45. Business-As-Usual (BAU) Emissions (noun) - The Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) defines a “business-as-usual” baseline case as the level of emissions that would result if future development trends follow those of the past and no changes in policies take place.
46. business as usual (phrase) – a normal state of affairs, the daily round, routine, a normal pattern.
47. migrant (noun) – a person who moves from one region to another – either within a country or across national borders in order to find work or better living conditions.
48. grim (adjective) – distressing, upsetting, worrying, unpleasant, dismal/awful.
49. reparation (noun) - amends, restitution, redress.
50. wrought (verb) – (old) past and past participle of work (verb) – cause, effect.
51. bloc (noun) – alliance, association, union.
52. per capita (adverb & adjective) – per person, for each, individually.
53. green (adjective) – vigorous, strong, flourishing.
54. potential (noun) – possibility, potentiality, prospect.
55. speak of (phrasal verb) – mention, talk about, discuss, refer to.

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56. climate justice (noun) – as a form of environmental justice, climate justice is the fair treatment of all people and the freedom from discrimination in the creation of policies and projects that address climate change as well as the systems that create climate change and perpetuate (cause to continue) discrimination.
57. adaptation (noun) – alteration, modification, adjustment. (adjustments in ecological, social, or economic systems in response to actual or expected climatic stimuli and their effects or impacts. It refers to changes in processes, practices, and structures to moderate potential damages or to benefit from opportunities associated with climate change).
58. whopping (adjective) – huge, massive, very large, substantial.
59. infrastructure (noun) – the basic physical or organizational structure for something (to function properly).
60. windfarm/windpark (noun) - also called a wind power station or wind power plant, is a group of wind turbines in the same location used to produce electricity.
61. run-of-river (adjective) - relating to a type of hydroelectric generation plant whereby little or no water storage is provided. (A plant without storage reservoir is subject to seasonal river flows, thus the plant will operate as an intermittent energy source).
62. drawback (noun) – problem, disadvantage, snag, downside, stumbling block.
63. New Development Bank (NDB) (noun) – formerly referred to as the BRICS Development Bank, NDB is a multilateral development bank established by the BRICS states. According to the Agreement on the NDB, “the Bank shall support public or private projects through loans, guarantees, equity participation and other financial instruments”. Its headquarters is in Shanghai, China.
64. Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB) (noun) – The Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB) is a multilateral development bank whose mission is financing the Infrastructure for Tomorrow- infrastructure with sustainability at its core. It began operations in Beijing in January 2016 and have since grown to 103 approved members worldwide. As a multilateral development bank focused on developing Asia, but with members from all over the world, our investments in infrastructure and other productive sectors seek to foster sustainable economic development, create wealth and improve infrastructure connectivity.

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65. entity (noun) – structure, system, establishment, organization.
66. concessional (adjective) – having a concession (reduction, cut, discount, deduction).
67. carbon footprint (noun) – the total amount of greenhouse gases produced to directly and indirectly support human activities, usually expressed in equivalent tons of carbon dioxide (CO₂).
68. look for (phrasal verb) – try to find/obtain a particular thing.
69. globalisation (noun) – the process of making the trade of goods and services equivalent in all nations.
70. supply chain (noun) – a dynamic network when a company purchases or uses goods or services from others. It involves people, information, processes, and resources involved in the production, handling, and distribution of materials and finished products or providing a service to the customer.
71. persistently (adverb) – continuously.
72. inter- (prefix) – between.
73. cross-border (adjective) – across a border between two states/countries.
74. pernicious (adjective) – harmful, damaging, destructive.
75. unsustainable (adjective) – undefendable, unjustifiable, unacceptable, illogical, irrational.
76. Belt and Road Initiative (BRI) (noun) – The Belt and Road Initiative, formerly known as One Belt One Road or OBOR for short, is a global infrastructure development strategy adopted by the Chinese government in 2013 to invest in nearly 71 countries and international organizations. It is also referred to as “21st century silk road”. From South-east Asia to Eastern Europe and Africa, Belt and Road includes 71 countries that account for half the world’s population and a quarter of global GDP.
77. proffer (verb) - offer, present, suggest, propose, put forward.
78. Quad/Quadrilateral (noun) – The ‘Quadrilateral’ is described as four democracies (the United States, Japan, Australia and India) with a shared objective to ensure and support a “free, open and prosperous” Indo-Pacific region.
79. vaccine (noun) – a biological preparation that improves immunity to a particular disease.
80. desperate (adjective) – urgent, pressing, compelling, crying.
81. Oxford vaccine/Covishield (noun) – (ChAdOx1 nCoV-19) or (AZD1222) is named Covishield in India. Serum Institute of India (SII), a biotechnology company has partnered with global pharma giant AstraZeneca and Oxford University for this vaccine candidate ‘Covidshield’.

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82. debt crisis (noun) – a situation in which a country is unable to pay back its government debt.
83. surmount (verb) – overcome, conquer, get over; deal with, cope with, resist, endure.
84. in the face of (phrase) – despite, notwithstanding, regardless of; when confronted with.
85. show the way (phrase) – to guide someone.
86. holistic (adjective) – relating to an integrated approach that takes care of the “whole thing”, instead of certain parts in it.
87. tap (verb) – make use of, put to use, use, utilize.
88. renewable energy (noun) – clean energy, green energy; energy generated from natural resources (such as water, wind & solar energy).
89. One Sun One World One Grid (OSOWOG) initiative (noun) - Prime Minister Narendra Modi launched the Green Grids Initiative-One Sun One World One Grid (GGI-OSOWOG), the first international network of global interconnected solar power grids, jointly with his UK counterpart Boris Johnson, at COP26, Glasgow. The project aims to connect energy grids across borders to facilitate a faster transition to the use of renewable energy. PM Modi reiterated that the idea for the One Sun One World One Grid (OSOWOG) initiative was put forth by him at the First Assembly of the International Solar Alliance (ISA) in October 2018.
90. Panchamrit plans (noun) - At the recently-concluded COP-26 Climate Conference in Glasgow, Prime Minister Narendra Modi presented a five-point 50-year agenda in his ‘National Statement’. He termed it as the ‘Panchamrit’, the ‘five nectar elements’. They are as follows (1) the first agenda was to raise the non-fossil fuel based energy capacity of the country to 500 GW by 2030, (2) also, by 2030, 50% of the country’s energy requirements would be met using renewable energy sources, (3) the country will reduce the total projected carbon emission by one billion tonnes between now and the year 2030, (4) the carbon intensity of the economy would be reduced to less than 45% by 2030, (5) the final agenda is that the country would become carbon neutral and achieve net zero emissions by the year 2070.
91. taskforce (noun) – unit, crew, outfit, section (mainly arranged for a task).
92. lie ahead (phrasal verb) – be going to happen.

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