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WORD LIST-2 (NOV 20, 2021)

1. interpret (verb) – explain, elucidate, explicate, clarify, understand, construe.
2. Protection of Children from Sexual Offences (POCSO) Act, 2012 (noun) – To deal with child (any person below eighteen years of age) sexual abuse cases, the Government has brought in a special law, namely, The Protection of Children from Sexual Offences (POCSO) Act, 2012. The Act has come into force with effect from 14th November, 2012 along with the Rules framed thereunder.
3. intent (noun) – aim, purpose, intention, objective.
4. egregious (adjective) – shocking, horrible/terrible, very bad.
5. interpretation (noun) – explanation, elucidation, explication, clarification, understanding, construal, definition.
6. bench (noun) – a court of law with a number of judges.
7. hold (verb) – rule, decide (verdict/judgment).
8. sexual assault (noun) – sexual misconduct, molestation, sexual interference, physical violence.
9. set aside (phrasal verb) – overrule, overturn, reverse, revoke, rule against, nullify, annul, cancel, quash, dismiss, reject.
10. acquit (verb) – declare innocent, exonerate, absolve; discharge, release, free (from a criminal charge).
11. offender (noun) – criminal, wrongdoer/evil-doer, culprit.
12. graver comparative adjective of grave (adjective) – crucial/critical, important/significant, serious.
13. sentence (verb) – pass judgement on, punish, convict.
14. offence (noun) – crime, illegal/unlawful act, misdeed, wrongdoing.
15. construe (verb) – interpret, understand, explain, elucidate, analyse.
16. Section 7 of POCSO Act (noun) - Section 7 of POCSO Act mandates that “whoever with sexual intent touches the vagina, penis, anus or breast of the child or makes the child touch the vagina, penis, anus or breast of such person or any other person, or does any other act with sexual intent which involves physical contact without penetration is said to commit sexual assault”.
17. pertain to (verb) – concern, relate to, be connected with.
18. amount to (phrasal verb) – be equal to, be equivalent to, represent.
19. attorney (noun) – lawyer, legal adviser, legal representative, prosecuting counsel.
20. attorney general (noun) – the main legal advisor to the government; the chief law officer of a nation/state.

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21. take the initiative (phrase) - be the first person to act in a particular situation.
22. National Commission for Women (NCW) (noun) – The National Commission for Women was set up as a statutory body of the Government of India in January 1992 to review the Constitutional and Legal safeguards for women; recommend remedial legislative measures; facilitate redressal of grievances and advise the Government on all policy matters affecting women.
23. understanding (noun) - interpretation, comprehension, discernment.
24. provision (noun) – term, clause, requirement, specification, stipulation.
25. brook (verb) - tolerate, put up with, allow/accept (something like dissent/difference of opinion).
26. sort (non) – type, kind.
27. dilution (noun) – reduction in value/power/force of something.
28. lead to (verb) – result in, cause, bring on/bring about.
29. penalise (verb) – punish, discipline, mete out punishment to, sentence.
30. be rooted in (verb) – have (something) as an origin/cause for something else.
31. alacrity (noun) – readiness, willingness, swiftness, promptness.
32. sensitivity (noun) – sensibility, finer feelings.
33. stay (verb) - stop, delay, postpone, prevent, suspend something, particularly judicial proceedings.
34. diluted (adjective) – weakened/reduced.
35. grope (verb) - touch, fondle (without the person's consent); molest.
36. preparatory to (adjective) – as a preparation for.
37. trial (noun) – legal action, legal proceedings, court case, lawsuit.
38. absence (noun) – non-existence, lack, unavailability.
39. absolve (verb) – set free, discharge, acquit, release, relieve, liberate, exempt.
40. lenient (noun) - forgiving, forbearing, tolerant, moderate, easy-going.
41. prosecutrix (noun) - a female prosecutor or plaintiff; a female victim.
42. fit into (phrasal verb) - constitute (a part of a particular thing).
43. apparent (adjective) – evident/clear, visible, noticeable, recognizable.
44. flawed (adjective) – defective, faulty, distorted, inaccurate.
45. out of sync (phrase) - out of the agreement.
46. legislative (adjective) – law-making, policy-making, parliamentary, judicial, governmental.

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47. enactment (noun) – passing, validation, approval, endorsement, ratification (of a legislation).
48. stringent (adjective) – strict, severe, extreme, rigorous.
49. The United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC) (noun) – The UNCRC is a legally-binding international agreement setting out the civil, political, economic, social, and cultural rights of every child, regardless of their race, religion or abilities.
50. narrow (adjective) – narrowminded, intolerant, illiberal, shortsighted, myopic, inward-looking.
51. pedantic (adjective) – overscrupulous, hypercritical, perfectionist, over-exacting, fault-finding, nitpicking.
52. frustrate (verb) – obstruct, impede, hamper, hinder, thwart; annoy, vex, irritate.
53. object (noun) - purpose, objective, aim, goal, intent, intention.
54. set right (phrasal verb) - to correct/rectify something; put right.
55. misinterpretation (noun) - incomprehension, misunderstanding, misreading, misconstruing.
56. statute (noun) – act/law, regulation, rule (written & laid down by the legislature).
57. underscore (verb) – underline, emphasize, highlight.
58. ingredient (noun) – constituent, part, component, element.
59. conviction (noun) – pronouncement of guilt, sentence, judgement.
60. aggravated (adjective) – (of an offense) severe, serious, very bad.
61. in favour of (phrase) – in support of, to the advantage of, approve of.
62. ambiguity (noun) – doubtfulness, obscurity, uncertainty, ambivalence, indecision, inexactness.
63. point out (phrasal verb) – identify, mention, indicate, draw attention to.
64. concurring (adjective) - agreeing, coinciding, accompanying, attending.
65. destructive (adjective) - detrimental, disadvantageous.

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