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## **WORD LIST-2 (NOV 24, 2021)**

1. transition (noun) – change, transformation.
2. coup (noun) – a sudden and violent regime change, seizure of power, (illegal) takeover of power.
3. climbdown (noun) – withdrawal, retraction, u-turn.
4. civilian (noun) – non-military person, ordinary citizen.
5. reinstate (verb) – reinstall, bring back.
6. ousted (adjective) - removed, dislodged, overthrown.
7. oust (verb) – remove, dislodge, overthrow.
8. consolidate (verb) – strengthen, reinforce, fortify.
9. in one's hands (phrase) - under one's control or influence.
10. dissolve (verb) – disband, disestablish, close down.
11. Sovereignty Council (Sudan) (noun) – The eleven-member Sovereignty Council of Sudan was the collective head of state of Sudan from 20 August 2019, when it was created by the August 2019 Draft Constitutional Declaration.
12. sovereignty (noun) – supreme power, hegemony, authority.
13. imprison (verb) – incarcerate, put in prison jail, lock up, take into custody, confine, detain.
14. imperil (verb) – endanger, jeopardize, put in danger.
15. dictatorship (noun) – totalitarianism, absolute rule, autocracy.
16. apparently (adverb) – seemingly, evidently, it appears that; supposedly.
17. overplay one's hand (phrase) - used to emphasize that someone's overconfidence in his/her ability or position will spoil his/her chance of success.
18. topple (verb) – overthrow, oust, unseat, overturn.
19. seize (verb) – capture, take possession of, conquer, take over.
20. take to the streets (phrase) - to gather together in the streets to protest.
21. regime (noun) – government.
22. power grab (noun) – an attempt to get control over something opportunistically/unethically.
23. come under (phrasal verb) - be subjected to.
24. freeze (verb) – stop, suspend.
25. aid (noun) – assistance; contributions, relief.
26. make clear (phrase) – explain, clarify, elucidate.
27. ties (noun) – association, relationship, connection.
28. political prisoner (noun) – a person who is imprisoned/confined because they have opposed or criticized the government.
29. point to (verb) – indicate, suggest, denote.
30. necessarily (adverb) – inevitably, certainly, surely.

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32. **reluctant** (adjective) – unwilling, disinclined, resisting, opposed, hesitant.
33. **concession** (noun) – compromise, adjustment, modification.
34. **revolutionary** (noun) – political revolutionist.
35. **no longer** (phrase) – not anymore.
36. **pro-** (prefix) – supporting.
37. **dismiss** (verb) – reject, deny, spurn, disregard.
38. **vow** (verb) – swear, pledge, promise, affirm.
39. **unenviable** (adjective) – difficult, painful, undesirable, unpleasant.
40. **undermine** (verb) – weaken, subvert, sabotage, damage.
41. **negotiate** (verb) – discuss terms, hold talks, discuss a settlement, talk, try to reach a compromise.
42. **address** (verb) – tackle, deal with, attend to, try to sort out.
43. **win back** (phrasal verb) - get back, recover.
44. **civil society** (noun) – civil society refers to space for collective action around shared interests, purposes, and values, generally distinct from government and commercial for-profit actors. It refers to a wide array of organizations: community groups, non-governmental organizations [NGOs], labour unions, indigenous groups, charitable organizations, faith-based organizations, professional associations, and foundations. Civil society – sometimes called the “third sector” (after government and commerce) – has the power to influence the actions of elected policy-makers and businesses.
45. **fraught** (adjective) - worried, upset, troubled, stressful, distressed, agitated, distracted, distraught (and with many problems).
46. **(get/put) back on track** (phrase) – to return to the right direction (after a problem).
47. **take a step back** (phrase) – withdraw, back away, move away, back off, retreat, pull back, give ground.
48. **usurp** (verb) – take over, appropriate, seize.
49. **scenario** (noun) – course of events; situation, context.
50. **constitutional order** (noun) – a reasonably stable set of institutions through which a nation's fundamental decisions are made over a sustained period, and the principles that guide those decisions; put simply, the constitutional order is the combination of institutions and principles.

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