

## ADVANCED WORD LIST-1 (APR 19, 2023)

1. [civil society organization \(CSO\)](#) (noun) – non-governmental organization (NGO); any non-profit, voluntary citizens' group which is organized on a local, national or international level.
2. [prevailing](#) (adjective) – existing, current, present.
3. [stakeholder](#) (noun) – a person with an interest in something.
4. [move forward](#) (phrasal verb) - proceed, advance, improve.
5. [suffocation](#) (noun) – an act of preventing something from developing in a positive way; suppression, stifling, throttling, smothering.
6. [redress](#) (noun) – reparation, restitution, compensation, indemnity, remedy.
7. [lacunae](#) (plural of) [lacuna](#) (noun) – a gap/empty space; missing part of something.
8. [advocacy](#) (noun) – support, endorsement, backing, approval.
9. [discourse](#) (noun) – discussion, conversation, communication, expression.
10. [clampdown](#) (noun) - restriction, control, limitation, crackdown.
11. [lobbying](#) (noun) – a group of people attempting to influence (the government / its official group/elected legislators) to create the actions, policies, or decisions to help a particular organization.
12. [Foreign Contribution \(Regulation\) Act \(FCRA\)](#) (noun) – It regulates the acceptance and utilisation of foreign contribution by individuals, associations and companies.
13. [revoke](#) (verb) – invalidate, cancel, repeal, nullify.
14. [retrospective](#) (adjective) – backdated, retroactive, backward-looking.
15. [furtherance](#) (noun) – promotion, advancement, development, furthering/forwarding.
16. [vilify](#) (verb) – censure, insult, disparage, criticize, speak evil of.
17. [portend](#) (verb) – indicate, signal, foretell, augur.
18. [integrity](#) (noun) – unity, unification, wholeness, coherence, cohesion, togetherness, solidarity.
19. [indispensable](#) (adjective) – necessary, required, essential, vital, needed.
20. [safety valve](#) (noun) – a way or medium of expression to release strong feelings without harming oneself & others.
21. [polity](#) (noun) – a politically organized society.
22. [spearhead](#) (verb) – lead (a movement); be in the forefront of, be in the vanguard of.
23. [landscape](#) (noun) – the distinctive features of a field of activity.
24. [foster](#) (verb) – encourage, promote, develop.
25. [patronage](#) (noun) – support, backing, protection.

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26. **Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR)** (noun) – the ethical role of the corporation (private business) in society. It ensures that the company spends, in every financial year, at least two per cent of the average net profits of the company made during the three immediately preceding financial years, in pursuance of its Corporate Social Responsibility Policy.
27. **quid pro quo** (phrase) – “something for something”; support in exchange for something.
28. **blatant** (adjective) – evident, flagrant/glaring, obvious.
29. **coercion** (noun) – it means compelling an individual to act against his/her will by the use of psychological pressure or physical force causing bodily injury; force/pressure, compulsion, enforcement, demand, constraint, oppression, harassment, intimidation.
30. **anyone's/anybody's guess** (phrase) - something that is very difficult to determine; it is not possible to know something; very difficult to predict.
31. **imperative** (noun) – necessary condition, precondition, condition, essential requirement.
32. **circumscribe** (verb) – restrict, limit; regulate.
33. **clout** (noun) – influence, leverage, power, weight, sway.
34. **muster** (verb) – gather together, come together, convene/assemble.
35. **endeavour** (noun) – activity, pursuit; aim/effort.
36. **testament** (noun) – witness/evidence, proof, testimony.
37. **actor** (noun) - participant in a field of activity.
38. **nimbleness** (noun) - agility, liveliness, quickness.
39. **cling on (to)** (phrasal verb) – hold on to, hang on to, hold tightly grip, grasp, attach oneself to.
40. **utility** (noun) – usefulness, use, advantage, benefit, value, helpfulness, service.
41. **cathartic** (adjective) – (of a particular thing/activity) helping to relieve, release, express strong feelings/emotions; relieving, releasing, purging, purifying, cleansing.
42. **constituency** (noun) – a group/body of supporters.
43. **flock** (noun) – a large number of people; crowd.
44. **think tank** (noun) – a panel of experts.
45. **symposium** (noun) - convention, discussion, forum, meeting, panel discussion, round table, seminar.
46. **course correction** (noun) – modifying, improving, rectifying (the plan of action).
47. **consciousness** (noun) – awareness, knowledge, realization, recognition.

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48. **radicalise** (verb) – to cause to follow radical (extreme) ways particularly in politics (& society).
49. **shortcoming** (noun) – fault, flaw, imperfection/defect.
50. **anecdotal** (adjective) – not based on factual, scientific reports and observations done carefully; unscientific, informal, unreliable, untrustworthy.
51. **instrumentally** (adverb) - importantly, significantly, usefully.
52. **dichotomy** (noun) – a division/separation/partition of something (ideas, things, groups, or etc.) into two parts that are either entirely different from each other or completely opposite to each other; duality, polarity.
53. **fatigue** (noun) – tiredness, weariness, exhaustion.
54. **rationale** (noun) – reason, factor, basis, premise.
55. **untenable** (adjective) – undefendable, unjustified, unacceptable.
56. **bleed** (verb) – drain, deplete, empty, exhaust (resources).
57. **conscientious** (adjective) – diligent, attentive, hard-working, careful, meticulous, dedicated, attentive.
58. **sustenance** (noun) – means of support, support.
59. **tangible** (adjective) – real, actual, solid, concrete, substantial, well defined.
60. **at large** (phrase) – as a whole, generally.
61. **redress** (verb) – rectify, correct, make right, set right.
62. **the way forward** (phrase) – something (a plan/action) that leads to success in the future.
63. **collective good** (noun) - public good, social good;
64. **forge** (verb) – build up, from, create, establish, set up, put together.
65. **induct** (verb) – admit to, allow into, appoint to.
66. **thorny** (adjective) – problematic, tricky, delicate, controversial.
67. **manufacture** (verb) - fabricate, plot, scheme, conceive.
68. **champion** (verb) - support, endorse, approve, advocate.
69. **permeable** (adjective) – porous, penetrable, absorbent, absorptive.
70. **precedent** (noun) – model, exemplar, example, pattern; previous example/instance, prior instance.
71. **corrosion** (noun) - decay, decomposition, deterioration, erosion, rust, and degeneration; damage
72. **lifeline** (noun) – a thing that helps someone a “means of escape” from a difficult situation.

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