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WORD LIST-1 (MAR 23, 2023)

1. abolition (noun) – termination, elimination, cancellation (of a system).
2. judiciary (noun) – a branch of government in which judicial power is vested.
3. move (noun) – step, act, action, measure.
4. merely (adverb) – only, just.
5. execution (noun) – killing, hanging, putting to death.
6. hold (verb) – (of a court) rule; decide.
7. execute (verb) – put to death, kill.
8. term (verb) – call, name, describe as.
9. barbaric (adjective) – cruel, savage, vicious, ruthless, brutal.
10. venture (verb) – put forward, suggest, propose, present, introduce.
11. dignified (adjective) – proper, formal, solemn, distinguished.
12. carry out (phrasal verb) – implement, effect, execute, perform.
13. cruelty (adverb) – brutality, savagery, ruthlessness, heartlessness, heinousness.
14. abolish (verb) – quash, get rid of, discard, remove, eliminate, discontinue, cancel.
15. administrative (adjective) – regulatory, governmental, executive.
16. thinking (noun) - views, opinions, point(s) of view, point(s) of view.
17. lean (verb) - incline, bend, tilt.
18. back (verb) - support, endorse, approve, favour.
19. bench (noun) – a court of law with a number of judges.
20. sought past and past participle of seek (verb) – ask for, request, call on.
21. substantiate (verb) – prove, justify, support, verify, validate, authenticate, vindicate.
22. humane (adjective) – compassionate, considerate, sympathetic, kind-hearted.
23. leading (adjective) – most important, major, main.
24. uphold (verb) – confirm, endorse/approve, vindicate/validate.
25. rarest of rare (phrase) – it has a specific legal connotation (hidden meaning) in the context of the death penalty. It is often understood to mean and suggest that the crime was “exceptionally brutal”.

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26. Law Commission of India (noun) – The first Law Commission after independence was set up in the year 1955. Subsequent Commissions were constituted from time to time. Usually each Commission is constituted for a term of three years. The 22nd Law Commission was notified on February 24, 2020. The Law Commission shall undertake research in law and review of existing laws in India for making reforms therein and enacting new legislations. It shall also undertake studies and research for bringing reforms in the justice delivery systems for elimination of delay in procedures, speedy disposal of cases, reduction in cost of litigation etc.
27. electrocution (noun) – the injury/killing caused by electric shock.
28. lethal (adjective) - deadly, fatal, killing.
29. come to a conclusion (phrase) – to decide something after thinking.
30. refrain from (verb) – reject, avoid, deny, abstain from.
31. even though (phrase) – notwithstanding, regardless of, despite.
32. favour (verb) – support, back, uphold, approve, advise, recommend.
33. robust (adjective) – strong, powerful.
34. jurisprudence (noun) – legal system.
35. the executive (noun) – the executive is a branch of government that enforces the law as written by the legislature and interpreted by the judiciary.
36. mandate (verb) - order, instruct, command, direct.
37. aggravate (verb) - worsen, make serious/severe, intensify.
38. mitigate (verb) - reduce, decrease, lessen, ease.
39. circumstances (noun) - context, conditions, situation, background.
40. gallows (noun) – execution by hanging.
41. hearing (noun) – trial, inquiry, litigation, (judicial) proceedings.
42. in open court (phrase) – in a court of law, before the judge & the public.
43. evolve (verb) – develop, move forward, advance, make progress.
44. clemency (noun) – mercy, leniency, forgiveness/forbearance.
45. mercy (noun) – forgiveness, forbearance, leniency.
46. review petition (noun) – a petition applied by an aggrieved person to the court to review the order/judgment given by the same court.

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47. mercy petition (noun) – a written petition by the convict to the President to grant pardon or show mercy to the death sentence given by the apex court.
48. curative petition (noun) – a petition by a person whose review petition has been dismissed by the Supreme Court and it is the last constitutional remedy available to that person.
49. justiciable (adjective) – capable of being settled/decided/determined by a law of court.
50. penalise (verb) – punish, discipline, mete out punishment to.
51. undue (adjective) – excessive, extreme, immoderate.
52. dispose (verb) – discard, get rid of, do away with, throw away/out.
53. plea (noun) – petition, appeal, urgent/earnest request, entreaty.
54. commute (verb) – reduce, lessen, scale down (a judicial sentence, especially a sentence of death).
55. humanise (verb) – civilize, improve; personalize.
56. empirical (adjective) – factual, actual, practical, pragmatic.
57. result in (verb) – cause, bring about, produce, lead to, give rise to.
58. body (noun) – a large amount of something; main/major part.
59. contend (verb) – claim, argue, state, assert, insist.
60. inhuman (adjective) – cruel, harsh, inhumane, brutal, callous, severe.
61. account for (phrasal verb) – constitute, comprise, form, compose, represent; (or) to be the explanation or cause of something.
62. botched-up (adjective) – relating to an act carrying something out badly or carelessly; making a mess of something, spoil, ruin.
63. fall (noun) - decline, deterioration, degeneration.
64. humaneness (noun) – compassionateness, kindness, kind-heartedness.
65. offend (verb) – hurt, distress, insult, embarrass, upset, irritate.
66. perpetrate (verb) – commit, carry out, perform/execute (a harmful/illegal action).
67. deepen (verb) – increase, heighten, intensify.
68. dilemma (noun) – quandary, predicament, difficulty.
69. take someone's life (phrase) – kill someone.
70. indignity (noun) – insult, offence, affront, slight, snub.

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