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ADVANCED WORD LIST-1 (JUN 19, 2023)

1. surpass (verb) – be greater than, exceed, outperform, eclipse, outclass, outshine, outdo.
2. commentator (noun) – critic, analyst, observer.
3. plaudit (noun) – praise/acclaim, kudos, commendation.
4. demographic dividend (noun) – it is defined as a boost in economic productivity that occurs when there are growing numbers of people in the workforce relative to the number of dependents (or) it is the accelerated development that can arise when a population has a relatively large proportion of working-age people coupled with effective human capital investment. A term used to describe the period when a greater proportion of the population of a country is young and in the working age-group. It indicates increase in growth as a result of higher proportion of working age people in the total population of a country.
5. powerhouse (noun) – a person/organisation/country/state with a lot of energy, power & influence.
6. depredation (noun) – destruction, devastation, damage.
7. millennium (noun) – a period of a thousand years.
8. imperial (adjective) – monarchical, authoritative, high-handed/ domineering.
9. afield (adverb) – to a distance.
10. pietra dura (noun) – Pietra Dura is an ancient art form that blossomed in Italy and eventually spread across Europe, Russia, Afghanistan, India and Pakistan. It is the technique of inlaying semi precious stones such as jade, onyx, turquoise, mother of pearl etc. in marble.
11. inventory (noun) – a complete list of items (in stock); list, listing, catalogue, directory, record, register.
12. linguistics (noun) – the study of language(s) and how it works.
13. the West (noun) – The Western world/civilization consisting of the majority of Europe & the North America.
14. landscape (noun) – a particular field of activity.
15. transcendent (noun) – superior/supreme, paramount, incomparable.
16. metallurgist (noun) – a scientist who studies metals and their uses.
17. cereal (noun) – a grain or plants that produce it (for example-wheat, maize, rice & etc.).
18. harmony (noun) – unity, solidarity, cooperation, agreement/concord.
19. in harmony with (phrase) - in agreement with.
20. extinction (noun) – destruction, elimination, eradication, removal (a complete one).

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21. **colonialism** (noun) – In practice, colonialism is when one country violently invades and takes control of another country, claims the land as its own, and sends people — “settlers” — to live on that land.
22. **mobilisation** (noun) – the act of bringing forces/people/resources together for a particular cause.
23. **patrimony** (noun) – heritage, legacy, endowment, bequest.
24. **Republican** (adjective) – (of a form of government, constitution, etc.) belonging to a republic.
25. **federalism/federal framework/system** (noun) – a system of government in which establishments such as states or provinces share power with a national government.
26. **diversity** (noun) – existence/presence of different people (from a variety of backgrounds and perspectives ranging from race to age to gender to hometown to educational experience) within group; variety, variance, difference.
27. **exemplify** (verb) – clarify, represent, illustrate (as an example).
28. **pluralism** (noun) – (of people) the practice exists in harmony irrespective of various differences.
29. **nationalism** (noun) – it refers to a system (with narrow set of ideas) created by a group of people who believe their nation is superior to all others. It is also a perception of national superiority and an orientation toward national dominance- called as chauvinism (excessive nationalism).
30. **acquittal** (noun) – declaration of innocence, clearing, discharge, release, vindication, exoneration.
31. **intrusive** (adjective) – intruding, interfering, interrupting; annoying, irritating.
32. **state power** (noun) – the power of a sovereign state to exercise authority within its borders
33. **majoritarian** (adjective) – relating to a philosophy that states that a majority (sometimes categorized by religion, language, social class, or some other identifying factor) of the population is entitled to a certain degree of primacy (priority) in society, and has the right to make decisions that affect the society.
34. **watchdog** (noun) – a person or organization that monitors/inspects/supervises others’ activities/conducts. inspector/supervisor, observer, ombudsman.
35. **revocation** (noun) – cancellation, repeal, annulment, abolition, invalidation, withdrawal/reversal.

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36. **Citizenship (Amendment) Act (CAA)** (noun) – The Citizenship (Amendment) Bill, 2019 seeks to grant citizenship to religious minorities of Afghanistan, Pakistan, and Bangladesh, who had to flee their homeland facing persecution. The six minority groups that have been specifically identified are Hindus, Jains, Sikhs, Buddhists, Christians, and Parsis.
37. **National Register of Citizens (NRC)** (noun) – It is a register that includes demographic information about all those individuals who qualify as citizens of India as per the Citizenship Act, 1955.
38. **expel** (verb) – banish, exile, deport, evict, displace, oust.
39. **refugee** (noun) – displaced person, asylum seeker, exile, deportee, stateless person, émigré.
40. **The U.S. Commission on International Religious Freedom (USCIRF)** (noun) – USCIRF is an independent, bipartisan U.S. federal government commission. USCIRF's principal responsibilities are to review the facts and circumstances of violations of religious freedom internationally and to make policy recommendations to the President, the Secretary of State and Congress.
41. **human rights** (noun) – human rights are rights inherent to all human beings, regardless of race, sex, nationality, ethnicity, language, religion, or any other status.
42. **to say nothing of** (phrase) – not to mention; used for adding extra information;
43. **lynching** (noun) – an act of punishing/killing someone by hanging for claimed offence by the group of people without legal trial.
44. **persecute** (verb) – victimize, abuse, oppress, torture, mistreat, ill-treat, torment, harass, trouble.
45. **outlaw** (verb) – ban, prohibit, forbid.
46. **non-governmental organization (NGO)** (noun) – it is generally defined as nonprofit entities independent of governmental influence (although they may receive government funding). A not-for profit, voluntary citizen's group that is organized on a local, national or international level to address issues in support of the public good.
47. **think tank** (noun) – a panel of experts who provide advice and ideas on political, social or economic issues
48. **hallmark** (noun) – distinctive feature, characteristic, trait, attribute, quality.
49. **irregularity** (noun) – deviation, divergence/departure, abnormality.
50. **discrepancy** (noun) – mismatch, inconsistency, contradiction.

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51. concentrated (adjective) – strenuous, intense, vigorous, all-out.
52. virtually (adverb) – practically, effectively, in effect, actually, in reality.
53. repressive (adjective) – oppressive, dominating/coercive, authoritarian/draconian.
54. actor (noun) – participants (in an action).
55. state actor (noun) – a state actor is a person who is acting on behalf of a governmental body.
56. non-state actor (noun) – an individual or organization that has significant political influence.
57. saga (noun) – story, lengthy explanation/statement, lengthy story.
58. intimate (noun) – close friend, best friend, alter ego, confidant, constant companion.
59. conglomerate (noun) – a large corporation, group, consortium/merged companies.
60. biodiverse (adjective) – relating to a region having a high level of biodiversity (the number and variety of species (plants & animals) in a particular geographic region).
61. indigenous (adjective) – native, original, aboriginal, ancient, primeval.
62. perpetrate (verb) – commit, carry out, perform/execute (a harmful/illegal action).
63. strenuously (adverb) – with great effort; with determination.
64. lucrative (adjective) – remunerative, profitable, profit-making, high-paying, rewarding.
65. persecution (noun) – oppression, victimization, harassment.
66. chaos (noun) – disorder, disarray, turmoil, disorganization, disruption.
67. catastrophic (adjective) – destructive, ruinous, disastrous, devastating.
68. culpable (adjective) – at fault, guilty, blameworthy, accountable/responsible for misconduct.
69. pogrom (noun) – (planned) mass slaughter, mass killing, mass murder (of a particular ethnic group).
70. the fact that (phrase) – used to refer to a specific situation under consideration/discussion.
71. civil liberty (noun) – freedoms guaranteed to the citizens by the Constitution to protect them from the government.

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