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## WORD LIST-2 (JUN 20, 2022)

1. jitters (noun) – tension, anxiety, restlessness, nervousness, uneasiness.
2. deficit (noun) – shortfall, deficiency, shortage.
3. drought (noun) – dry spell, dry period, lack of rain, shortage of water.
4. episode (noun) – a group of events; incident, event, affair, occurrence.
5. upward of (phrase) - more than.
6. timely (adjective) – prompt, appropriate, opportune, well timed, at the right time.
7. vigour (noun) - energy, strength, power.
8. India Meteorological Department (IMD) (noun) – an agency under the Ministry of Earth Sciences of the Government of India which is responsible for meteorological observations, weather forecasting and seismology. It has the responsibility for forecasting, naming and distributing warnings for tropical cyclones in the Northern Indian Ocean region, including the Malacca Straits, the Bay of Bengal, the Arabian Sea and the Persian Gulf.
9. figure (noun) - statistic, number, level, quantity.
10. run (verb) – reach a particular state/level.
11. swathe (noun) – a wide area of something.
12. dependent (adjective) - conditional on, based on, depending on.
13. rainfed agriculture (noun) – agriculture that depends on natural rainfall rather than irrigation.
14. due (adjective) – expected, anticipated, required, awaited.
15. peninsula (noun) – an area of land almost surrounded by water (on three sides) and one side attached to the mainland.
16. battle (verb) - struggle, contend with.
17. diametrically (adverb) – directly, absolutely, utterly, completely.
18. submerge (verb) – flood, inundate, deluge, engulf, swamp, immerse.
19. reel under (phrase) – to suffer (due to a burden).
20. heatwave (noun) – (a long period of) hot weather, hotness, humidity.
21. critical (adjective) - crucial, vital, important.
22. kharif sowing/crops (noun) – monsoon crops; seeds sowing in the beginning (Jun) of the monsoon and harvesting at the end of the season (Oct) in the South Asia.

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23. [rabi sowing/crops](#) (noun) – winter crops; seeds sowing in the beginning (Nov) of the winter and harvesting at the end of the season (Apr) in the South Asia.
24. [sowing](#) (noun) – an act of seeding a plant or crop.
25. [faltering](#) (adjective) – delaying, uncertain, unsteady/weak, precarious, irresolute, hesitant.
26. [concern](#) (noun) – anxiety, worry, disquiet; a matter of importance.
27. [quarter](#) (noun) – source, direction, place, point.
28. [juncture](#) (noun) – point in time, time/moment, stage.
29. [fortnight](#) (noun) – a period of two weeks/fourteen days continuously.
30. [patchy](#) (adjective) – erratic, irregular, fluctuating, uneven.
31. [meteorologist](#) (noun) – weather forecaster.
32. [maintain](#) (verb) - insist, assert, state, say, announce, affirm, avow, claim.
33. [correlation](#) (noun) - similarity, comparison, resemblance, equivalence.
34. [advent](#) (noun) – arrival, appearance, emergence.
35. [eventual](#) (adjective) - final, ultimate, concluding.
36. [variance](#) (noun) – difference, variation, divergence, imbalance.
37. [inherent](#) (adjective) – intrinsic, characteristic, basic, natural.
38. [historically](#) (adverb) - normally, generally, typically.
39. [forecast](#) (noun) – prediction, indication, projection, prognosis, speculation, calculation (of future events or trends).
40. [in fact](#) (phrase) - actually, in actuality, really, in reality.
41. [linger](#) (verb) - continue, remain, persist, stay.
42. [horizon](#) (noun) – range of experience, outlook, perspective, scope, perception, purview.
43. [optimistic](#) (adjective) – reassuring, favourable, encouraging, promising, hopeful.
44. [picture](#) (noun) – impression, view, vision, notion.
45. [likely](#) (adverb) - possible, probable.
46. [long period average \(LPA\)](#) (noun) – LPA is the average rainfall received by the country as a whole during the south-west monsoon, for a 50-year period. The current LPA is 88 cm, based on the mean (average) rainfall over the years 1951 and 2000.

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47. dry up (phrasal verb) – dwindle, wane, disappear, vanish, subside, fade away; cause to become entirely dry.
48. surge (noun) - increase, rise, acceleration.
49. premise (verb) - base, be dependent, establish, found.
50. persistence (noun) – continuance, continuity, dependability, changelessness.
51. El Nino (noun) – an unusual/abnormal warming of the waters across the central and eastern equatorial Pacific that lies closer to the Americas). La Niña means abnormal cooling.
52. converse (noun) - opposite, reverse, inverse, contrary, antithesis.
53. characterise (verb) – identify, depict, describe.
54. Indian Ocean Dipole (IOD) (noun) – it is defined by the difference in the sea surface temperature between the two equatorial areas of the Indian Ocean – a western pole near the Arabian Sea (in the western Indian Ocean) and an eastern pole closer to the Bay of Bengal (in the eastern Indian Ocean). The IOD affects the climate of Southeast Asia, Australia and other countries across the Indian Ocean.
55. index (noun) – sign, measure; guide, indication.
56. compensate (verb) – make amends, make restitution, make reparation, make recompense.
57. the dampening (adjective) – the lessening, the decreasing, the diminishing, the reducing.

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