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1. **GST Council** (noun) – a federal body (established under article 279A of the Constitution) that aims to bring together states and the Centre on a common platform for the nationwide rollout of the indirect tax reform.
2. **regime** (noun) – system.
3. **convene** (verb) – conduct, organise, arrange, hold.
4. **path-breaking** (adjective) – pioneering; innovative.
5. **move** (noun) – measure, action, initiative, step.
6. **decriminalise** (verb) – to stop something from being illegal; make legal, legitimate, validate.
7. **offence** (noun) – crime, misconduct, misdeed, wrongdoing, criminal act.
8. **threshold** (noun) – it is an amount, level, or limit of something; lower limit.
9. **prosecution** (noun) – legal action, legal proceeding, legal case.
10. **harassment** (noun) – oppression, victimization, persecution.
11. **(high) stakes** (noun) – (high-risk) competition, contest, battle, challenge, hazard, ante.
12. **materialise** (verb) – happen, occur, take place.
13. **Finance Bill** (noun) – ‘Finance Bill’ means the Bill ordinarily introduced in each year to give effect to the financial proposals of the Government of India for the following financial year and includes a Bill to give effect to supplementary financial proposals for any period. It concerns the country’s finances – it could be about taxes, government expenditures, government borrowings, revenues, etc. There are different kinds of Finance Bills-the most important of them is the Money Bill. The Money Bill is concretely defined in Article 110.
14. **legislature** (noun) – law-making body or governing body; parliament, congress, council, assembly.
15. **side-step** (verb) – avoid, circumvent, find a way round, bypass, evade, dodge (something problematic).
16. **set up** (phrasal verb) – establish, institute, launch, state, begin.
17. **appellate** (adjective) – (of a court) dealing with cases on appeal to review the decision of a lower court.
18. **tribunal** (noun) – panel, committee (set up to resolve some disputes particularly).
19. **envision** (verb) – conceive, imagine, envision, think, perceive, apprehend.
20. **launch** (noun) – official inauguration.
21. **to be sure** (phrase) – certainly.
22. **clog** (verb) – fill up, block, obstruct.

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23. take up (phrasal verb) – to gather from a number of sources.
24. handful (adjective) – few, one or two, a small number of.
25. levy (noun) – imposition, charging, collection (of a tax, fee, fine).
26. husk (noun) – the dry outer covering of some ripe(n) seeds such as rice husks, wheat husks); chaff.
27. scrap (verb) – remove, discard, eliminate, drop.
28. fryum (noun) – an Indian snack food (e.g. onion rings, papad chips).
29. minutiae (noun) – details, niceties/finer points, particulars.
30. takeaway (noun) – a key point/idea/fact.
31. outcome (noun) – result, consequence, conclusion.
32. pursue (verb) – engage in, take part in, be occupied in, participate in (an activity).
33. virtually (adverb) – practically, effectively, in effect.
34. curtail (verb) – reduce, diminish, decrease, cut, lower, lessen.
35. representative (noun) – official, delegate, spokesperson.
36. attend to (verb) – deal with, cope with, address, manage.
37. vocal (adjective) – vociferous, outspoken, forthright; relating to someone who expresses his/her views frankly.
38. dues (noun) – payment, charge.
39. suit (verb) – be convenient for; be acceptable to, be suitable for.
40. ostensibly (adverb) – in a way that something appears or is officially stated to be true/real, but it might not be; apparently, seemingly, allegedly, professedly, supposedly, purportedly.
41. hold back (phrasal verb) – hinder, prevent, hamper, obstruct, impede.
42. make time (phrase) - find (some) time to do something.
43. dialogue (noun) – discussions, talks, negotiations, consultation.
44. mechanism (noun) – procedure, process, system, operation, method.
45. plug the leak/gap/hole (phrase) – to fix up (a recurring problem).
46. plug (verb) – stop, seal off, close off, block, fill, fill up, pack.
47. booming (adjective) – flourishing, burgeoning, thriving, prospering, successful, buoyant.
48. bode well/ill (verb) – augur, indicate, portend (a good/bad outcome).
49. ad hoc (adjective) – impromptu, unpremeditated, unprepared, unplanned, unarranged, unconsidered, spontaneous, offhand, improvised, makeshift.
50. half-hearted (adjective) – unenthusiastic, apathetic, indifferent, unconcerned, dispassionate, uninterested.
51. deliberation (noun) – discussions, talks, negotiations, consultation.
52. insipid (adjective) – uninteresting, boring, unexciting, lacklustre.

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