

ADVANCED WORD LIST-1 (JUN 13, 2023)

1. dissent (noun) – disagreement, lack of agreement, difference of opinion, protest, opposition, disapproval.
2. catalyst (noun) – stimulus, motivation, fillip/encouragement.
3. advocate (verb) – champion, support, promote, uphold, back, espouse.
4. bewildering (adjective) - perplexing, puzzling, mystifying.
5. rapidity (noun) – quickness, swiftness, speediness, briskness, alacrity.
6. open up (phrasal verb) – make/become accessible; make/become available.
7. take to the streets (phrase) – (of a crowd) to come together in the streets to express their opposition to something.
8. outrage (noun) – indignation, fury/anger, disapproval.
9. Criminal Law (Amendment) Act (noun) – After Nirbhaya gang rape in 2012, in 2013 amendments were made to the Criminal law to lay down stringent punishments to deal with sex crimes against women, which is why the Criminal Law (Amendment) Act, 2013, popularly came to be known as the ‘Nirbhaya Act’. The new Act also recognised certain acts as offences that were hitherto dealt with separately under IPC. These are acid attack (Sec 326B), sexual harassment (Sec 354A), act with intention to disrobe a woman (Sec 354B), voyeurism (Sec 354C), and stalking (Sec 354D).
10. offence (noun) - crime, illegal/unlawful act, misdeed, wrongdoing.
11. Wrestling Federation of India (WFI) (noun) – the governing body of wrestling in India.
12. authorities (noun) – officials, officialdom, the people in charge, the bureaucracy.
13. first information report (FIR) (noun) – a written document prepared by the police when they receive information about the commission of a cognizable offence.
14. negotiation (noun) - dialogue, talks, discussion, discourse, debate, deliberation.
15. censure (noun) - condemnation, criticism, castigation, attack, disapproval, reproof.
16. in the face of (phrase) – despite, notwithstanding, regardless of; when confronted with.
17. civil society (noun) – it is the space outside the family, public sector (government & its branches) and private sector (businesses and corporations). It now signifies a wide range of organised and organic groups including non governmental organisations (NGOs), trade unions, social movements, grassroots organisations, online networks and communities, and faith groups.

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18. at large (phrase) – as a whole, generally.
19. mobilisation (noun) – the act of bringing forces/people/resources together for a particular cause.
20. be in the forefront of (phrase) - lead, head (a movement/protest).
21. futility (noun) – uselessness, pointlessness, vanity.
22. expediency (noun) – convenience, advantage, advantageousness, usefulness, utility, benefit.
23. Farm Acts, 2000 (noun) – Farm Acts, 2000 refer to three agricultural bills passed by Indian Parliament in September 2020. The three acts are “The Farmers’ Produce Trade and Commerce (Promotion and Facilitation) Act, 2020 (FPTC Act) allows farmers to sell their harvest outside the notified Agricultural Produce Market Committee (APMC) mandis without paying any State taxes or fees”, “the Farmers (Empowerment and Protection) Agreement on Price Assurance and Farm Services Act, 2020 facilitates contract farming and direct marketing”, and “the Essential Commodities (Amendment) Act, 2020 deregulates the production, storage, movement and sale of several major foodstuffs, including cereals, pulses, edible oils and onion, except in the case of extraordinary circumstances”.
24. back-tracking (noun) - turnaround, change, reversal.
25. contentious (adjective) – controversial, argumentative, quarrelsome.
26. 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.
27. 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.
28. back down (phrasal verb) - give in, surrender, yield, backtrack, back-pedal, concede.
29. All India Democratic Women's Association (AIDWA) (noun) - it is an independent left oriented women's organisation committed to achieving democracy, equality and women's emancipation. members are from all strata in society, regardless of class, caste and community. It was founded in 1981 as a national level mass organisation of women.

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30. **gender justice** (noun) - It is the full equality and equity between women and men in all spheres of life, resulting in women jointly, and on an equal basis with men, defining and shaping the policies, structures and decisions that affect their lives and society as a whole.
31. **social justice** (noun) – the equal access to wealth, opportunities, and privileges within a society.
32. **swathe** (noun) – a wide area of something.
33. **virtually** (adverb) – practically, effectively, in effect, actually, in reality.
34. **ingrained** (adjective) - established, well established, deep-seated, deep-rooted.
35. **mobility** (noun) – adaptability, adjustability, flexibility, versatility.
36. **catapult** (verb) – propel, launch, send, loft.
37. **campaign** (noun) – an act of soliciting (asking for/requesting) votes; an organized effort that seeks to influence the decision-making progress within a specific group.
38. **well disposed** (adjective) - having a positive attitude towards someone or something.
39. **neo-liberalism** (noun) – new/revived liberal principles.
40. **liberalisation** (noun) – removal or loosening of restrictions on something, typically an economic or political system.
41. **enamour** (verb) – enchanted by, fascinated by, captivated by.
42. **go on to** (phrasal verb) – to start to do something; to start to deal with something.
43. **devotion** (noun) – faithfulness, loyalty, adherence, allegiance.
44. **play a part/role** (phrase) – contribute to, be instrumental in, be a factor in.
45. **discredit** (verb) – disgrace, devalue, accuse, denounce, stigmatize, dishonor, disparage, reflect badly on.
46. **dispensation** (noun) – government, regime, system, establishment.
47. **Khap panchayats** (noun) – the self-appointed village courts.
48. **supersede** (verb) – replace, supplant, remove, override.
49. **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.
50. **take its course** (phrase) – to develop and come to an end naturally.

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51. [due process](#) (noun) – fair treatment (per established principles & procedures).
52. [grappler](#) (noun) - wrestler.
53. [overlook](#) (verb) – miss, reject, dismiss, ignore, discount, disregard.
54. [perpetuate](#) (verb) – cause to continue something indefinitely, particularly a bad situation, an attitude/idea/belief, etc.; keep going, keep in existence, extend/prolong.
55. [hinder](#) (verb) - obstruct, impede, hamper, block, interpret.
56. [marginalised](#) (adjective) – relating to the people who are treated as insignificant, treated as unimportant, neglected.
57. [egalitarian](#) (adjective) – relating to the idea that all people are equal and should have equal rights and opportunities; fair, just, equal, impartial, unbiased.
58. [unprecedented](#) (adjective) – not done or experienced before.
59. [quiescence](#) (noun) - inactivity; quietness, dormancy, inaction.
60. [oppressed](#) (adjective) – suppressed, ill-treated, exploited, persecuted, crushed.
61. [infamous](#) (adjective) – notorious, disreputable, ill-famed.
62. [history-sheeter](#) (noun) – a person with a long criminal record.
63. [emblematic](#) (adjective) – typical, symbolic, representative, demonstrative, suggestive.
64. [patriarchy](#) (noun) – a family/group/society/community/government controlled by a man/a group of men, descent described through male line of the family.
65. [harassment](#) (noun) – oppression, victimization, persecution.

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