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## **WORD LIST-1 (Feb 01, 2023)**

1. folly (noun) – foolishness, stupidity, madness, irresponsibility, thoughtlessness.
2. paradigm (noun) – model, pattern, case in point.
3. paradigm shift (noun) – a fundamental and important change with new ideas/thinking.
4. shackles (noun) – restrictions, restraints, constraints, straitjacket.
5. slavery (noun) – captivity, bondage, enslavement.
6. harbour (verb) – nurture, foster, cherish, entertain, hold on to, cling to, possess.
7. civil war (noun) – a war between organized groups within the same state or country.
8. triumph (noun) – victory, win, success.
9. embolden (verb) – encourage, motivate; strengthen, fortify.
10. Sunni (adjective) – relating to Sunni branch/sect of Islam.
11. Islamist (adjective) – relating to Islamic fundamentalism.
12. insurgency (noun) – uprising, revolt, rebellion.
13. witness (verb) – see, observe, notice.
14. fortified (adjective) - protected, secured, ramparted.
15. claim (verb) – cause the loss of life.
16. deadliest superlative adjective of deadly (adjective) – fatal, lethal, life-threatening.
17. strategy (noun) – plan of action (in order to achieve a more expansive set of political, economic, and security interests).
18. back (verb) - support, approve of, endorse, favour.
19. backfire (verb) – rebound/boomerang, come back, have an adverse effect.
20. faction (noun) – group, side, camp.
21. bear (verb) – have, display, exhibit, show.
22. hallmark (noun) – distinctive feature, characteristic, trait, attribute, quality.
23. stronghold (noun) – fort, fortress, bulwark, mainstay, support.

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24. personnel (noun) – staff, employees, workforce.
25. ideologically (adverb) – dogmatically, conventionally; in a method which relates to an ideology.
26. crack down on (phrasal verb) – get tough on, take severe measures against, clamp down on.
27. dynamics (noun) – basic/fundamental cause or force that triggers change within a system.
28. adopt (verb) - accept, say yes to, agree to.
29. engagement (noun) - involvement, participation, taking part.
30. host (verb) - arrange, organize.
31. talks (noun) – discussions, negotiations, deliberation.
32. lead to (verb) – cause, give rise to, result in, bring about.
33. ceasefire (noun) – a negotiated agreement that will be accompanied by other associated commitments to de-escalate the fighting; a temporary stoppage of war, truce, armistice.
34. truce (noun) – temporary cessation/suspension (of hostilities); ceasefire, armistice.
35. rearm (verb) – provide with a new supply of weapons.
36. firepower (noun) – (military) capacity, ability, strength, muscle.
37. instability (noun) – uncertainty, unpredictability, precariousness.
38. relentless (adjective) – sustained, continuous, constant, persistent.
39. campaign (noun) – an organized effort which seeks to influence the decision making progress within a specific group.
40. tank (verb) - fail, collapse, tumble/plunge, decline (in value rapidly).
41. tanking (noun) – failure, collapse.
42. foreign reserve or forex (noun) – Foreign exchange. Forex or Foreign exchange reserves are the amounts of assets /money in foreign currencies that a country has in its central bank (in India, it is Reserve bank of India).
43. fall (verb) - decrease, drop, slump.

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44. [inflation](#) (noun) – simply meaning “cost of living”; increase of price level of goods & services and vice versa decrease of currency value.
45. [soar](#) (verb) - increase, rise, escalate suddenly/rapidly.
46. [grim](#) (adjective) – distressing, upsetting, worrying, unpleasant, dismal/awful.
47. [debt](#) (noun) – liability, financial obligation, borrowed capital.
48. [International Monetary Fund \(IMF\)](#) (noun) – an international organization of 189 countries, headquartered in Washington, D.C., working to foster global monetary cooperation, secure financial stability, facilitate international trade, promote high employment and sustainable economic growth, and reduce poverty around the world.
49. [bailout](#) (noun) – an act of providing financial help/support by the outside investors to a bank/institution/organisation which faces serious financial difficulty.
50. [extremism](#) (noun) – radicalism, fanaticism, dogmatism.
51. [do more harm than good](#) (phrase) - be more dangerous than useful.
52. [amass](#) (verb) – accumulate, collect, gather.
53. [pose](#) (verb) – constitute, present, create, cause (a problem or danger or risk).
54. [state](#) (noun) - government.

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