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WORD LIST-1 (SEP 12, 2022)

1. **bail** (noun) – conditional, temporary release of an arrested/imprisoned person when a specified amount of security is deposited or pledged (as cash or property) to ensure his/her appearance in court when required.
2. **expose** (verb) - reveal, show, display, exhibit, disclose, manifest, unveil, unmask.
3. **tenuous** (adjective) – doubtful, dubious, questionable, vague, unspecific, indefinite; insubstantial, weak/shaky.
4. **Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act (UAPA)** (noun) – an Indian law aimed at effective prevention of unlawful activities associations in India. Its main objective was to make powers available for dealing with activities directed against the integrity and sovereignty of India.
5. **foist** (verb) – impose, force, thrust; burden someone with.
6. **prolonged** (adjective) – lengthy, extended, protracted, unending, unrelenting.
7. **imprisonment** (noun) – incarceration, custody, detention, confinement, prison.
8. **egregiously** (adverb) – shockingly, horribly, awfully/very badly.
9. **malevolent** (adjective) – malicious/malignant, vicious; harmful, dangerous.
10. **subject to** (verb) – dependent on, controlled by, contingent on, conditional upon.
11. **onerous** (adjective) – burdensome, difficult, tough, troublesome, stressful.
12. **bypass** (verb) – circumvent, avoid, dodge, sidestep.
13. **pose** (verb) - raise, ask, put forward, moot (a question).
14. **pertinent** (adjective) – applicable, appropriate, suitable, related.
15. **baffling** (adjective) – perplexing, puzzling, bewildering, mystifying.
16. **move** (noun) – action, act, step, measure.
17. **outcry** (noun) – protest, complaint, clamour, commotion.
18. **float** (verb) – put forward, come up with, propose, posit, present, moot (an idea).
19. **conspiracy** (noun) – (unlawful) plan/plot, intrigue, collaboration/deception, collusion.

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20. **conspiracy theory** (noun) – an event or situation that invokes a conspiracy by sinister (criminal/menacing) and powerful groups, often political in motivation.
21. **overtones** (noun) – hidden meaning, connotation, implication, feeling, intimation.
22. **charge** (verb) – accuse of, blame for, indict for, prosecute for, try for.
23. **divisive** (adjective) – alienating/isolating, disharmonious, discordant.
24. **campaign** (noun) – an organized effort which seeks to influence the decision making progress within a specific group; movement, operation, set of tactics, manoeuvre.
25. **invoke** (verb) – cite, refer to, adduce, use, put into effect, turn to, resort to.
26. **provision** (noun) – clause, requirement, stipulation, condition.
27. **besides** (adverb) – in addition, furthermore, moreover, further.
28. **penal** (adjective) – (of an activity) punishable by law; disciplinary, punitive, corrective.
29. **enmity** (noun) – hostility, bitterness, rancour, resentment.
30. **outrage** (noun) – incense, provoke, enrage, infuriate, anger.
31. **The Popular Front of India (PFI)** (noun) - The Popular Front of India is an extremist Islamic organisation in India. The Popular Front of India (PFI) was launched in Kerala in 2006 after merging three Muslim organizations- the National Development Front of Kerala, Karnataka Forum for Dignity and Manitha Neethi Pasari of Tamil Nadu.
32. **pamphlet** (noun) – notice, booklet, leaflet, flyer.
33. **call for** (phrasal verb) – require, request, publicly ask/necessitate, demand.
34. **literature** (noun) – printed matter, pamphlet, notice, booklet, leaflet, flyer.
35. **turn out** (phrasal verb) – transpire, happen, occur, come out.
36. **black lives matter (BLM)** (noun) – an international activist movement, originating in the African-American community, that campaigns against violence and systemic racism towards black people.

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40. **stranded** (adjective) – helpless, without assistance, without help, without resources, in difficulties; in the lurch, abandoned.
41. **pride oneself (on)** (phrase) – be proud of oneself for, take pride in, congratulate oneself on, pat oneself on the back for.
42. **first responder** (noun) – a person who is among the first to arrive and provide assistance at the scene of an emergency.
43. **churlish** (adjective) – ill-mannered, discourteous, impolite.
44. **short-sighted** (adjective) – narrow-minded, parochial, myopic, ill-advised, ill-considered, lacking foresight, illiberal.
45. **interest** (noun) – common concerns (in politics/business).
46. **give up** (phrasal verb) – stop, cease, discontinue, renounce, desist from.
47. **calamity** (noun) – disaster, catastrophe, crisis, tragedy.
48. **enmity** (noun) – hostility, bitterness, rancour, resentment.
49. **Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO)** (noun) – The Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) is a permanent intergovernmental international organisation, the creation of which was announced on 15 June 2001 in Shanghai (China). The SCO currently comprises eight Member States (China, India, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Russia, Pakistan, Tajikistan and Uzbekistan) and is seen as a counterweight to NATO (The North Atlantic Treaty Organization). It was established as a multilateral association to ensure security and maintain stability across the vast Eurasian region, join forces to counteract emerging challenges and threats, and enhance trade, as well as cultural and humanitarian cooperation.
50. **summit** (noun) – meeting, conference, conclave (highest level meeting between heads of government).
51. **lasting** (adjective) – enduring, continuing, long-lasting, long-term.
52. **decade** (noun) – a period of ten years.
53. **unlikely** (adjective) – doubtful, implausible, improbable, questionable.
54. **mitigate** (verb) – reduce, diminish, lessen.
55. **catastrophe** (noun) – disaster, calamity, crisis, tragedy, tribulation,
56. **at hand** (phrase) – nearby, around, close by, at one's disposal, within reach, close at hand.

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54. **raise one's voice** (phrase) – to speak loudly; to express one's opinion/view openly; speak up.
55. **amount to** (verb) – be equal to, be equivalent to, be tantamount to, represent, denote, point to.
56. **foment** (verb) – incite, provoke, agitate, instigate, cause.
57. **shaky** (adjective) – faltering, unsteady, uncertain, unreliable, untrustworthy, questionable, dubious, doubtful, tenuous, unsubstantial, weak, undependable, unsupported.
58. **foundation** (noun) – basis, fundamental point, premise, essence.
59. **clear-headed** (adjective) – sensible, well adjusted, reasonable, logical, practical, rational.
60. **smug** (adjective) – self-satisfied, complacent, careless, casual, unconcerned, indifferent, slack, lax, apathetic, uninterested; pleased with oneself, proud of oneself, self-approving, self-admiring, self-regarding.
61. **disfavour** (verb) – dislike; be against, object to, disapprove; reject, refuse, turn down, say ‘no’ to, dismiss.
62. **reflect** (verb) – indicate, show, display, demonstrate.
63. **reflect poorly on someone** (phrase) – to make someone to look bad; to damage someone’s reputation.
64. **the judiciary** (noun) – a branch of government in which judicial power is vested; judges collectively.
65. **liberty** (noun) – freedom (from restraints).
66. **send a message** (phrase) – make an important statement (directly/indirectly).
67. **hierarchy** (noun) – pecking order, ranking, class system; arrangement, classification.
68. **persecute** (verb) – victimize, abuse, oppress, torture, mistreat, ill-treat, torment, harass, trouble.
69. **stringent** (adjective) – strict, severe, extreme, rigorous.

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