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## **WORD LIST-1 (OCT 29, 2022)**

1. **explosive** (adjective) – serious, dangerous, perilous; violent, intense.
2. **affair** (noun) - incident, event, episode, occurrence.
3. **call for** (phrasal verb) – require, need, necessitate, make necessary, demand, publicly ask for.
4. **constant** (adjective) – continuous, persistent, round-the-clock.
5. **vigil** (noun) – vigilance, surveillance, close watch, monitoring.
6. **law and order** (phrase) – the passing of laws and their strict implementation by police and the courts; lawfulness, peacefulness, harmony, non-aggression, non-violence.
7. **front** (noun) – an organized (political) group (OR) a particular situation.
8. **tell-tale** (adjective) – revealing, suggestive, indicative.
9. **plot** (noun) - schemes, tricks, tactics, plans, intrigues.
10. **go awry** (phrase) – not happen as planned.
11. **pre-dawn** (noun) – early morning.
12. **fragile** (adjective) – vulnerable, risky, unreliable, insecure.
13. **sensitivity** (noun) – responsiveness, consideration, thoughtfulness, understanding, delicacy, subtlety, finer feelings.
14. **potential** (noun) – potentiality, possibility, capability, capacity.
15. **escalate** (verb) – increase, intensify, heighten, amplify.
16. **suspected** (adjective) – suspicious, doubtful, cynical.
17. **mastermind** (noun) – originator, initiator, planner, plotter.
18. **char** (verb) - burn.
19. **below/under the radar** (phrase) – to go unnoticed/undetected.
20. **National Investigation Agency (NIA)** (noun) – The National Investigation Agency is a central agency established by the Indian Government to combat terror in India. It is functioning as the Central Counter-Terrorism Law Enforcement Agency in the country. The National Investigation Agency (NIA) is created following the terror attack in Mumbai on December 26, 2008. It came into being on December 31, 2008, with the passage of the NIA Act of 2008.
21. **draw/call into question** (phrase) - make something seem less certain.
22. **intelligence** (noun) – (military/political) information, facts, details, particulars.
23. **apparatus** (noun) - system, arrangement, regime, mechanism.
24. **sense** (verb) - recognize, realize, discover, discern.
25. **forestall** (verb) – prevent, check, block; anticipate, get in before, preempt.

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26. [sheer](#) (adjective) – complete, absolute, total, thorough, consummate.
27. [providence](#) (noun) – fate, destiny, kismet; prudence, foresight, forethought, judgement.
28. [explode](#) (verb) – blow up, detonate, burst.
29. [strike](#) (verb) – hit, attack.
30. [overlook](#) (verb) – neglect, ignore, disregard, turn a blind eye.
31. [backdrop](#) (noun) – situation, scenario, context.
32. [against the backdrop](#) (phrase) – in the context of.
33. [molotov cocktail](#) (noun) – petrol bomb, bottle bomb.
34. [right-wing](#) (adjective) – rightist, conservative, reactionary, traditionalist.
35. [outfit](#) (noun) – party, organization, group.
36. [office-bearer](#) (noun) - officer, office-holder, office, administrator, executive, functionary.
37. [in the wake of](#) (phrase) – as a result of some event, especially an unpleasant one; in the aftermath of, as a consequence of, on account of, because of, owing to.
38. [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.
39. [to one's credit](#) (phrase) – used to mention that someone deserves praise/admiration.
40. [force](#) (noun) – an organized body of police.
41. [design](#) (noun) – target, intention, aim, purpose, objective.
42. [unravel](#) (verb) – fall apart, fail, collapse, go wrong.
43. [plotter](#) (noun) - conspirer, schemer, intriguer.
44. [unmask](#) (verb) – detect, discover, unearth.
45. [suspect](#) (noun) – accused, suspected person.
46. [bear testimony to](#) (phrase) - bear witness to, be evidence of, be proof of, prove, demonstrate, confirm, substantiate, vouch for.
47. [commendable](#) (adjective) – admirable, praiseworthy, laudable.
48. [gravity](#) (noun) - importance, top priority, necessity, exigency, seriousness.
49. [ramification](#) (noun) - result, outcome, effect, repercussion, consequence.
50. [at hand](#) (phrase) – within reach, available, at one's disposal, nearby, close by.

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51. take over (phrasal verb) – take control of, take charge of, assume responsibility for.
52. perspective (noun) – outlook, viewpoint, approach.
53. assessment (noun) – evaluation, analysis, appraisal.
54. ground situation (noun) – a situation/place where things are happening really/practically.
55. throw up (phrasal verb) – produce; create and bring it to notice.
56. delicately (adverb) – tactfully.
57. balance (verb) - level, poise, stabilize, steady, remain/get in position.
58. take along (phrasal verb) – to take someone/something with you.
59. administrative (adjective) - governmental, regulatory, organizational.
60. need (noun) - necessity, requirement, obligation, demand.
61. uncompromisingly (adverb) – resolutely, firmly, single-mindedly; persistently, tenaciously, relentlessly.
62. fundamentalist (noun) – extremist, fanatic, radical.
63. propagate (verb) – spread, disseminate, communicate, publicize, preach.
64. constituent (adjective) – relating to a element/part of something.
65. Secular Progressive Alliance (noun) – an alliance of Indian political parties formed by the Dravida Munnetra Kazhagam (DMK).
66. balance (noun) – stability, equilibrium, poise, composure, a calm state of mind.
67. acknowledge (verb) – accept, recognize, realize.
68. fang (noun) – a large & sharp tooth.
69. regime (noun) – government; system.
70. stoke (verb) – incite, add fuel to, intensify, amplify.
71. passion (noun) – interest, obsession, craze, rage.
72. drive (verb) – urge, move, press, prompt, impel.
73. polarisation (noun) – separation of two contrasting groups (based on different opinions/beliefs).
74. springboard (noun) – something which provides support or motivation to do a particular course of action.
75. seize upon (phrasal verb) – to take an opportunity/chance decisively.
76. put the heat on (phrase) - to try to force someone to do something; to put pressure on someone to do something.
77. consolidate (verb) – strengthen, reinforce, fortify.
78. communalise (verb) – make communal.
79. politicise (verb) – to make something into a political issue.

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