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1. booster dose (noun) – In medical terms, a booster dose is an extra administration of a vaccine after an earlier dose.
2. vaccination (noun) – treatment with a vaccine to protect against a particular disease; immunization.
3. dose (noun) – an amount/quantity of something (a medicine/drug) prescribed to be taken at a specific time.
4. shot (noun) – injection, inoculation (of a vaccine/drug).
5. Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) (noun) – the apex body in India for the formulation, coordination and promotion of biomedical research, is one of the oldest medical research bodies in the world. As early as in 1911, the Government of India set up the Indian Research Fund Association (IRFA) with the specific objective of sponsoring and coordinating medical research in the country. It was redesignated in 1949 as the Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR). The ICMR is funded by the Government of India through the Ministry of Health & Family Welfare.
6. thus far (phrase) – until now, till date.
7. administer (verb) – dispense, provide, give, apply (a drug/vaccine).
8. vaccine (noun) – a biological preparation that improves immunity to a particular disease.
9. vaccinate (verb) – inoculate, administer, introduce (with a vaccine to provide immunity against a disease).
10. immunisation (noun) – the process whereby a person is made immune or resistant to an infectious disease, typically by the administration of a vaccine. Vaccines stimulate the body's own immune system to protect the person against subsequent infection or disease.
11. growing (adjective) – increasing.
12. clamour (noun) - demand, call, urging; protests, complaints, outcry.
13. variant (noun) – different or form or version or mutant of something (virus).
14. transmissibility (noun) - probability of infection given contact between a susceptible and infected individual.
15. surge (noun) – sudden increase or rise of something.
16. reiterate (verb) – repeat, say again, restate, retell, iterate.
17. solely (adverb) – only, simply, merely.

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18. **unvaccinated** (adjective) – not vaccinated to provide immunity against a disease.
19. **effectiveness** (noun) – efficacy, potency, power.
20. **Oxford vaccine/Covishield** (noun) – (ChAdOx1 nCoV-19) or (AZD1222) is named Covishield in India. Serum Institute of India (SII), a biotechnology company has partnered with global pharma giant AstraZeneca and Oxford University for this vaccine candidate ‘Covidshield’.
21. **symptomatic** (adjective) – relating to a condition/person with symptoms.
22. **asymptomatic** (adjective) – relating to a condition/person with no symptoms.
23. **pre-symptomatic** (adjective) – relating to a condition/person with mild illness/symptoms.
24. **Covaxin** (noun) – India’s first indigenous COVID-19 vaccine candidate (COVAXIN) developed by a Hyderabad-based company (Bharat Biotech) in collaboration with the ICMR (The Indian Council of Medical Research).
25. **undertake** (verb) – begin, start; engage in, become involved in, embark on, launch into.
26. **delta variant/B.1.617.2** (noun) – Formally known as AY.2 or B.1.617.2, it’s a variant of the coronavirus, first identified in India, is renamed as the ‘Delta variant’ by the World Health Organization (WHO) and this variant is reclassified as Variant of Concern (VOC). The B.1.617.1 strain has been reclassified to a Variant of Interest (VOI) and labelled variant “Kappa”.
27. **-driven** (adjective) - determined by a specified factor.
28. **Omicron variant** (noun) – On 26 November 2021, WHO designated the (new coronavirus) variant B.1.1.529 a variant of concern, named Omicron, on the advice of WHO’s Technical Advisory Group on Virus Evolution (TAG-VE). The first known confirmed Omicron infection was from a specimen collected on November 9. In recent weeks, infections in South Africa have increased steeply, coinciding with the detection.
29. **far more** (phrase) – a lot more, much more.

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30. severity (noun) – seriousness.
31. vulnerable (adjective) – endangered, unsafe, unprotected, unguarded, ill-protected; easily affected by, prone to, at risk of.
32. uncertainty (noun) – unpredictability, unreliability, riskiness/precariousness.
33. prudent (adjective) – wise, sensible, far-sighted.
34. immunocompromised (adjective) – having a weakened immune system.
35. comorbidity (noun) – In medicine, co-morbidity is the presence of one or more additional conditions (diseases) co-occurring/co-existing with a primary condition (disease).
36. at the cost of (phrase) – by sacrificing/losing/giving up something.
37. immunise (verb) – vaccinate, inoculate, inject (a vaccine).
38. adolescent (adjective) – teenage, young.
39. door-to-door (adjective) – relating to something (a supply/campaign) by going to every house in area.
40. campaign (noun) – an organized effort which seeks to influence the decision making progress within a specific group.
41. sizeable (adjective) – substantial, considerable, significant, large.
42. lead to (verb) – result in, cause, bring on.
43. uptake (noun) – the action of taking up something (available/given).
44. account for (phrasal verb) – constitute, make up, comprise, form, represent.
45. The (Global) South (noun) – the poor developing countries (of Asia, Africa, South America, amongst others).
46. The (Global) North (noun) – the economically developed countries (of Europe, North America, Australia, amongst others).

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