

WORD LIST-1 (JAN 13, 2022)

1. **trust deficit** (noun) – lack of trust (on authorities-from societal point of view). Situations with low levels of trust are not supportive and often counterproductive. People feel vulnerable and look at each other with suspicion. As a result, they are less open, since they fear that they will not be fairly treated by the other side.
2. **imbalance** (noun) - inequality, unevenness, disproportion.
3. **watchdog** (noun) – a person or organization that monitors/inspects/supervises others' activities/conducts. regulator, inspector/supervisor, observer, ombudsman.
4. **Competition Commission of India (CCI)** (noun) – India's competition watchdog (regulator); The objectives of The Competition Act, 2002, as amended by the Competition (Amendment) Act, 2007 are sought to be achieved through the Competition Commission of India, which has been established by the Central Government with effect from 14th October 2003. It is the duty of the Commission to eliminate practices having adverse effect on competition, promote and sustain competition, protect the interests of consumers and ensure freedom of trade in the markets of India.
5. **allegation** (noun) – charge, accusation, indictment.
6. **antitrust** (adjective) – relating to a legislation which is controlling monopolies and supporting fair and equal competition.
7. **mark** (verb) – indicate, signify, represent, denote.
8. **significant** (adjective) - crucial, critical, vital, important.
9. **fortunes** (noun) – financial position, financial situation, financial status, condition.
10. **downward** (adjective) – descending, falling, sinking, sliding, slipping, going down.
11. **development** (noun) – situation, circumstance, turn of events, occurrence, happening.
12. **political capital** (noun) – the advantage over a political opponent that you can get from a particular situation; public/popular support.
13. **Big Tech** (noun) – the largest and most dominant companies in the information technology industry of the United States, namely Amazon, Apple, Google & Facebook.

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14. sphere (noun) - a particular domain, field, area (of activity).
15. keep the wheels turning (phrase) - to make something continue to happen.
16. thereby (adverb) – as a result of that.
17. Digital News Publishers Association (DNPA) (noun) - an organisation of the digital arms of leading media companies of the country, representing both print and television entities.
18. allege (verb) – charge, accuse, claim, state.
19. dominate (verb) - control, influence.
20. abuse (verb) - misuse, misapply, misemploy, mishandle, exploit, take advantage of.
21. monies (noun) – plural form of money.
22. snippet (noun) – piece, bit, excerpt, extract (of content from a web page).
23. broader superlative adjective of broad (adjective) – describing an opinion/support that is shared by many people, or by people of many different kinds.
24. engagement (noun) – contract, agreement, compact, covenant, obligation, stipulation.
25. unilaterally (adverb) – used to indicate something done by a person/country without approval/agreement from other people/countries involved in the situation.
26. arbitrarily (adverb) – randomly/casually, irrationally, erratically, inconsistently, unreasonably, illogically.
27. explore (verb) – look into, inquire into, check out, investigate.
28. lawmaker (noun) - a member of a legislative body; legislator, parliamentarian.
29. for instance (phrase) - for example.
30. come up with (phrasal verb) - propose, put forward, present, introduce, submit, suggest, recommend.
31. sought past tense of seek (verb) – ask for, request, appeal, call on, demand.

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32. **a level playing field** (phrase) - a situation in which everyone has a fair and equal opportunity to succeed, and no one has an advantage over the other.
33. **worse** (adjective) - serious, severe.
34. **afloat** (adjective) – out of burden, out of difficulty.
35. **intervention** (noun) – the process of intervening in something; involvement, interference.
36. **in search of** (phrase) - searching for, seeking, looking for, in quest of, in pursuit of.
37. **sustainability** (noun) – stability, reliability, longevity, constancy.
38. **era** (noun) - period, time.
39. **far-reaching** (adjective) - wide-ranging, extensive, profound, radical, comprehensive, drastic.
40. **implications** (noun) – consequence/outcome, ramification, repercussion.
41. **quite** (adverb) - fairly, rather, somewhat, reasonably, relatively.
42. **evident** (adjective) - obvious, apparent, noticeable.
43. **end up** (phrasal verb) – finish up, turn up, come/appear, find oneself (to a particular course of action in the end).
44. **quest** (noun) – search, pursuit.
45. **eyeball** (noun) – people who look at, see, observe something very closely.
46. **nuance** (noun) – fine distinction, subtle difference/subtlety/nicety, subtle variation.
47. **engagement** (noun) – participation, taking part, involvement.
48. **cost** (noun) – the effort, loss, or sacrifice required to achieve/obtain something.
49. **overemphasise** (verb) – overstress, exaggerate, overdo, overplay, overdramatize.

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