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## **WORD LIST-2 (MAR 25, 2022)**

1. **bilateral** (adjective) – involving two groups or countries.
2. **steep** (adjective) – sudden, sharp, rapid.
3. **economic crisis** (noun) - a period in an economic cycle in which an economy faces difficulties for a long time.
4. **essential commodities** (noun) - essential commodities, including various medicines/drugs, fertilisers, cereals, pulses, sugar, edible oils, petroleum and petroleum products, and certain crops.
5. **blackout** (noun) – power cut, power failure, electricity failure.
6. **pandemic** (noun) – the worldwide spread of a new disease; The illness spreads around the world and typically affects a large number of people across a wide area.
7. **precipitate** (verb) – bring about, cause, lead to, give rise to.
8. **imbalance** (noun) – disparity, variation, disproportion, misproportion, unevenness, lopsidedness.
9. **fundamental** (noun) – basics, essentials, basic principles.
10. **debt** (noun) – financial obligation, outstanding payment, amount due, money owing, dues, arrears, debits, charges.
11. **hardly** (adverb) – barely, almost not.
12. **assume** (verb) - take control of, take charge of, take over.
13. **reschedule** (verb) - restructure, change, make alterations to.
14. **deferment** (noun) – postponement, delay, rescheduling.
15. **credit line** (noun) – another term for line of credit; a source of funds that can readily be tapped/borrowed at the borrower's discretion (choice).
16. **enable** (verb) - equip, prepare, facilitate, make possible, allow.
17. sought past tense of **seek** (verb) – try, aim, attempt; ask for, appeal to, demand.
18. **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.
19. **shed** (verb) - discard, get rid of, dispose of, do away with, drop, abandon, throw out

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20. reservation (noun) – doubt, qualm; scepticism, unease, hesitation, hesitancy, reluctance.
21. as soon as (phrase) - once, when.
22. fall (verb) – decrease, decline, diminish, lessen, dwindle; plummet, plunge, slump.
23. recovery (noun) - revival, rallying, picking up, rebound.
24. compulsions (noun) - obligation, constraint, pressure, pressurization; urge, impulse, need, necessity.
25. come in the way of (phrase) – prevent, oppose, defy.
26. measure (noun) – action, step, procedure.
27. administration (noun) – controlling, conducting, regulating, handling, supervising, overseeing, oversight, regulation, supervision.
28. concession (noun) – allowance; right, privilege, favour.
29. subsidy/subvention (noun) – also called subvention; a financial contribution granted to help an industry or business, mostly given by a government, in order to keep the price of service/goods at a low level.
30. scheduled (adjective) - expected, required, awaited, anticipated.
31. road map (noun) – plan/strategy to do something successfully.
32. devolution (noun) – decentralization, delegation, distribution.
33. province (noun) – territory, region, state (of a country)
34. war-affected (adjective) – war torn.
35. among (preposition) – one of, amongst.
36. hit (verb) - be affected by.
37. perhaps (adverb) – maybe, possibly.
38. impact (noun) - effect, influence, impression.
39. reported (adjective) - alleged, supposed, claimed, professed, purported, ostensible.
40. means (noun) - method, way, procedure, technique.
41. refugee (noun) – displaced person, asylum seeker, exile, deportee, stateless person, émigré.
42. pogrom (noun) – (planned) mass slaughter, mass killing, mass murder (of a particular ethnic group).

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43. **regardless of** (phrase) - irrespective of, without regard to, without reference to, notwithstanding, no matter, disregarding.
44. **motive** (noun) – reason, motivation, rationale, grounds, cause, basis.
45. **clandestinely** (adverb) – secretively, secretly, stealthily, furtively, covertly, surreptitiously.
46. **authorities** (noun) – officials, officialdom, the people in charge, the government, the administration, the establishment, the bureaucracy, the system.
47. **step up** (phrasal verb) – increase, intensify; quicken, speed up, accelerate.
48. **smuggling** (noun as modifier) – the illegal transportation of objects, substances, etc. across an international border in violation of applicable laws or other regulations.
49. **trafficking** (noun) – the activity of buying and selling goods/animal/people illegally; (illegal/illicit) trading, dealing.
50. **whip up** (phrasal verb) – excite, evoke/provoke, stimulate, encourage (strong emotions in someone intentionally); it also means to prepare something (specifically food) very quickly.
51. **on the contrary** (phrase) – conversely, in contrast, just the opposite.
52. **thrash out** (phrasal verb) – resolve, settle, sort out; negotiate, agree on, bring about, come to a decision on, work out.
53. **Palk bay** (noun) – a waterway/inlet of the Bay of Bengal sea between the Tamil Nadu state of India and the Jaffna District of the Northern Province of the island nation of Sri Lanka. (Bay is a body of water surrounded by land on three sides).
54. **fishery** (noun) – areas of the sea where fish are caught in large quantities for commercial purposes.
55. **long-standing** (adjective) - persistent, continuing (for a long time); permanent, long-lasting, enduring, long-term.
56. **irritant** (noun) – annoyance, irritation, bother.
57. **ties** (noun) – association, relationship, bond, connection.

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