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WORD LIST-2 (DEC 22, 2021)

1. **foul** (adjective) - wicked, sinful, immoral, morally wrong, wrongful, bad.
2. **cry** (noun) - demand, opinion, (urgent) request, appeal.
3. **alleged** (adjective) – supposed, claimed, professed, purported, reported, ostensible.
4. **sacrilege** (noun) – desecration, blasphemy, irreverence/disrespect (to sacred things), irreligiousness, godlessness, unholiness.
5. **vigilantism** (noun) – unofficial way of punishing crime by a self-appointed group of people.
6. **disproportionate** (adjective) – inordinate, excessive, unreasonable, unfair, uneven.
7. **sequence** (noun) - series, course.
8. **beaten to death** (phrase) - It means that a person or an animal has been physically abused (whipped, kicked, punched, etc.) until they die of their injuries.
9. **sanctum sanctorum** (noun) - holy place, shrine, inner sanctum.
10. **passion** (noun) – strong emotion, sensitivities; interest, craze, mania, rage.
11. **run high** (phrase) - (of feelings) be strong, be vehement, be fervent, be passionate, be intense.
12. **head** (verb) – move towards, go towards.
13. **fray** (noun) – contest, competition.
14. **seek** (verb) – ask for, request, demand, appeal.
15. **allege** (verb) – charge, accuse.
16. **conspiracy** (noun) – (unlawful) plan/plot, intrigue, collaboration/deception, collusion.
17. **cry foul** (phrase) – to protest against/complain about something done by someone is wrong (or) not fair.
18. **perpetrator** (noun) – someone who does immoral, harmful, and illegal activity; offender, criminal, wrongdoer/evil-doer, culprit.
19. **retaliation** (noun) – revenge, vengeance, counter-attack.
20. **deeply** (adverb) – greatly, enormously, extremely, very much, to a great degree.
21. **disallow** (verb) – reject, refuse, dismiss.
22. **unravel** (verb) – reveal, puzzle out, find an answer to, get to the bottom of, investigate & explain, fathom, decipher, decode.
23. **foment** (verb) – incite, provoke, agitate, instigate, cause.

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24. **tension** (noun) – strained relations; strain, stress, pressure, unease.
25. **lynch** (verb) – punish/kill by hanging someone for claimed offence without legal trial by the group of people.
26. **book** (verb) – make an official note of the personal details of (a person who has violated a law or rule).
27. **take the law into one's own hands** (phrase) – to try to punish someone for a wrongdoing violently & illegally without waiting for the police or legal system to handle the situation.
28. **uphold** (verb) – maintain, preserve, protect, keep.
29. **law and order** (phrase) – lawfulness, peacefulness, harmony (of a society); goodwill, non-violence.
30. **paramount** (adjective) – most important, primary, first and foremost (thing), key.
31. **defuse** (verb) – reduce, lessen, diminish, lighten, relieve, ease, alleviate, allay, moderate, mitigate.
32. **inflamed** (adjective) – provoked, intensified, incited.
33. **proximity** (noun) – closeness, nearness.
34. **deter** (verb) - prevent, stop, avert, impede.
35. **rabble-rousing** (adjective) – inflammatory, provocative, subversive, treacherous, dangerous.
36. **up the ante** (phrase) - to increase demands/stakes (in a tough condition) even though it has risks; To take an action that raises the risks.
37. **convicted** (adjective) - declared guilty; sentenced.
38. **pass** (verb) – approve, vote for, accept, ratify, enact.
39. **Indian Penal Code (IPC)** (noun) – The Indian Penal Code (IPC) is the official criminal code of India. It is a comprehensive code intended to cover all substantive aspects of criminal law. The draft was passed into law on 6 October 1860. The Code came into operation on 1 January 1862. The Indian Penal Code of 1860, sub-divided into 23 chapters, comprises 511 sections. IPC deals with crimes and punishments.
40. **imprisonment** (noun) – incarceration, custody, confinement.
41. **redundant** (adjective) - unnecessary, not required, unessential, needless, uncalled for, dispensable, disposable, unwanted, useless, superfluous.
42. **Section 295A of the IPC** (noun) – it criminalises speech that outrages religious feelings, are also vestiges of colonialism.

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43. **aggravated** (adjective) – (of an offense) more severe, more serious, very bad.
44. **perpetrate** (verb) – commit, carry out, perform/execute (a harmful/illegal action).
45. **deliberate** (adjective) – intentional, calculated, conscious, knowing, wilful, wanton, purposeful, premeditated, pre-planned, prearranged,
46. **malicious** (adjective) – evil-intentioned, illnatured, vengeful, defamatory, hostile.
47. **outrage** (verb) – offend, infuriate, stir up, displease/anger.
48. **besides** (adverb) – in addition, furthermore, moreover, further.
49. **invoke** (verb) – cite, refer to, adduce.
50. **miscreant** (noun) – law-breaker, wrongdoer, offender.
51. **Section** (noun) – a relatively distinct part of a statute.
52. **prosecute** (verb) – take to court, bring an action against, accuse, charge.
53. **in the name of** (phrase) – the sake of, at the behest of; on behalf of.
54. **thereby** (adverb) – as a result of that.
55. **dampen** (verb) – decrease, diminish/lessen, reduce.
56. **freedom of expression** (noun) – the ability of an individual or group of individuals to express their beliefs, thoughts, ideas, and emotions about different issues free from government censorship, restraint, or legal penalty.
57. **extraordinary** (adjective) – substantial, considerable.
58. **vaguely** (adverb) – approximately, moderately, marginally, somewhat.
59. **retrograde** (adjective) – unprogressive, negative, reverse/regressive.
60. **stringent** (adjective) – strict, severe, extreme, rigorous.
61. **blasphemy** (noun) – the action or behaviour of someone which is not respectful of religious practice; irreligious, ungodly, unholy action/behaviour.
62. **thoroughgoing** (adjective) – rigorous, in-depth, detailed, meticulous, complete, comprehensive, elaborate, full, intensive, extensive.
63. **bring someone to justice** (phrase) – arrest/punish someone for a crime committed.
64. **defuse** (verb) – reduce, lessen, diminish.
65. **descend into** (phrasal verb) – (of a situation) fall, slide, degenerate, deteriorate, decline.

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