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## **WORD LIST-1 (JUN 22, 2023)**

1. overkill (noun) – excessive action; more than enough, too many, too much.
2. shutdown (noun) – closure of a (complete) system; close down, closure, suspension, stoppage.
3. lack (verb) – be without, be in need of, be lacking, require/need, be deprived of.
4. merit (noun) – good point, strong point.
5. designated (adjective) – selected, chosen; specific, particular.
6. seek (verb) – ask for, request, appeal for.
7. restoration (noun) – bringing back, reinstitution, reinstallation, re-establishment, revival.
8. conflagration (noun) – flames, blaze, fire, firestorm, inferno.
9. legitimate (adjective) – legal, lawful; valid, acceptable, reasonable.
10. crippling (adjective) – weakening, impairing, paralyzing.
11. livelihood (noun) – means of making a living with the basic necessities (food, water, shelter and clothing); means of support, subsistence, source of income.
12. Meitei people (noun) – an ethnic group native to the state of Manipur in northeastern India. Meitei people also called Manipuri, dominant population of Manipur in northeastern India.
13. Kuki-Zomi community (noun) – The Kuki people are an ethnic group native to the state of Manipur and other states in northeastern India. The “Mizo” (poetic version of “Zomi”), people are a ethnic group native to the Indian state of Mizoram and neighbouring regions of Northeast India.
14. tense (adjective) – uneasy, nervous, anxious, worrying, disturbing, distressing.
15. law and order (noun) – a condition in which the existing rules, regulations, norms and related legal codes are recognized and observed for the sustenance of peace, orderliness and security of lives and property in society.
16. euphemism (noun) – an innocuous (inoffensive/harmless) or pleasant word/phrase/expression that is used as an alternative to something offensive & unpleasant; polite term, indirect term, mild alternative, understatement.

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17. **extremist** (noun) – radical, fanatic, sectarian/partisan, militant.
18. **indulge in** (verb) – become involved in something (bad/unpleasant).
19. **rather than** (phrase) – instead of.
20. **explicitly** (adverb) – absolutely, directly, clearly, categorically, conclusively, unconditionally, unequivocally, unqualifiedly, unambiguously, outright.
21. **interest** (noun) – common concerns (in politics/business).
22. **Section 5(2) of the Telegraph Act, 1885** (noun) – under Section 5(2) of the Telegraph Act, 1885, the central/state government has the power to block the transmission of messages during a public emergency or for public safety. Section 5(2) of the Indian Telegraph Act, 1885 provides for lawful interception in the interests of the sovereignty, and integrity of India, the security of the State, friendly relations with Foreign States or public order or for preventing incitement to the commission of an offence.
23. **The Indian Telegraph Act, 1885** (noun) – An Act to amend the law relating to Telegraphs in India. Part I deals with definitions of key words used in the Telegraph Act. Part II deals with privileges and powers of the government. Part III deals with power to place telegraph lines and posts. Part IV deals with penalties and Part V deals with Supplementary Provisions.
24. **inflammatory** (adjective) – provocative, agitational, incendiary, provoking, goading, controversial, annoying, irritating.
25. **sledgehammer** (noun) – powerful; forceful; ruthless, insensitive (force/tool).
26. **hold** (verb) – (of a court) rule, decide.
27. **contravention** (noun) – breach, violation, infringement, breaking, non-observance, dereliction.
28. **freedom of speech** (noun) – the right to express opinions without government interference.

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29. **Part III Rights/Fundamental Rights** (noun) – The Fundamental Rights, embodied in Part III of the Constitution, guarantee civil rights to all Indians and prevent the State from encroaching an individual's liberty while simultaneously placing upon it an obligation to protect the citizens' rights from encroachment by society. Seven fundamental rights were originally provided by the Constitution – the right to equality, right to freedom, right against exploitation, right to freedom of religion, cultural and educational rights, right to property and right to constitutional remedies. However, the right to property was removed from Part III of the Constitution by the 44th Amendment in 1978.
30. **adhere to** (verb) – abide by, stick to, hold to, comply with, act in accordance with, conform to, follow, obey.
31. **proportionality** (noun) – the quality of being in relation to severity, quantity, degree, period of something; proportion, correlation.
32. **dragnet** (noun) – a systematic search of something (particularly criminal activities); a network of measures for suspension (as of criminals).
33. **fashion** (noun) – manner, method, way.
34. **merely** (adverb) – only, just.
35. **ploy** (noun) – move, tactic, (cunning) plan.
36. **come down on** (phrasal verb) – criticize, censure, reprimand, rebuke, reproach, scold, admonish, reprove, castigate, lambast (harshly).
37. **regime** (noun) – system.
38. **stakeholder** (noun) – a person with an interest in something.
39. **civil society** (noun) – it is the space outside the family, public sector (government & its branches) and private sector (businesses and corporations). It now signifies a wide range of organised and organic groups including non governmental organisations (NGOs), trade unions, social movements, grassroots organisations, online networks and communities, and faith groups.
40. **actor** (noun) – participant in an activity.
41. **inter-** (prefix) – between.
42. **dialogue** (noun) – talks, discussion, discourse, debate, negotiation, deliberation.

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43. pursue (verb) – engage in, take part in, be occupied in, participate in (an activity).
44. step-by-step (adjective) – gradual, incremental, phased.
45. normalcy (noun) – a normal condition; normality, regularity.
46. beleaguered (adjective) – hard-pressed, troubled, suffering; under pressure, under stress.
47. at the helm (phrase) – in charge, in command/control/authority; in the driving seat.
48. helm (noun) – in charge, in command, in authority, position.
49. intransigence (noun) – unreasonable refusal or unwillingness to change/compromise on something (view, attitude, behaviour, position); inflexibility, obstinacy, rigidity, single-mindedness, stubbornness.
50. rise above (phrase) – to tackle a difficult or unpleasant situation successfully (or) to not allow a bad situation affects you.
51. ethnic (adjective) – relating to a population subgroup (cultural, national, traditional/folk) with a common national or cultural tradition.
52. identity (noun) – identification, recognition; individuality, originality.
53. identity (noun) – a social category, a set of persons marked by a label and distinguished by rules deciding membership and (alleged) characteristic features or attributes; individuality, character, originality.
54. sporadic (adjective) – occasional, infrequent, irregular, unpredictable.
55. displaced (adjective) – relating to an act of forcing someone to leave his/her home, usually due to war, persecution, or natural disaster.
56. lend to (verb) – be suitable for, be appropriate for, be applicable for.
57. in place (phrase) – in order, operating, established.

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