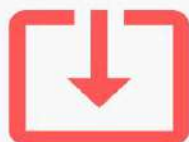


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The Hindu Editorial Vocabulary- June 30, 2020- Day 312

Difficult Word/ Phrases	Contextual Meaning
diplomatic	far away from other places, buildings, or people
alluded	to mention something in an indirect way
strategic	helping to achieve a plan
citing	to mention something as proof
tranquillity	a peaceful state
vitiate	to destroy or damage
status quo	the present situation
inevitable	certain to happen
probing	intended to get information
apprised	to tell someone about something

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The Hindu Editorial Vocabulary- June 29, 2020- Day 312

Difficult Word/ Phrase	Contextual Meaning
watchdog	an official organization that is responsible for checking that companies obey particular rules and laws
grey list	countries that support terror funding and money laundering
anti-money laundering	set of laws intended to prevent criminals from disguising illegally obtained funds
internalised	incorporate
proscribed	to not allow something
indictments	a formal statement of accusation
vetoed	an official power or right to refuse to accept or allow something

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Difficult Word/ Phrase	Contextual Meaning
raged	to happen in a strong way
nerve centres	a place from which an organization or activity is controlled
avalanche	a large amount of ice, snow, and rock falling quickly down the side of a mountain
ushers	cause or mark the start of something new
frenetic	involving a lot of excited movement
resurrected	to bring back something into use or existence
lucrative	producing a lot of money
humongous	very large
confluence	situation in which people come & join together
rigorous	detailed and careful
foreseeable	able to be understood in advance
fiasco	a complete failure
flouted	to intentionally not obey a rule, law, or custom

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The Hindu Editorial Vocabulary – June 27, 2020- Day 310

Difficult Word/ Phrase	Contextual Meaning
defections	the desertion of one's cause in favor of an opposing one
reign	prevail
slender	thin
dubious	not to be relied upon
fold	enclosure
stave off	prevent something from happening
rumbling	a continuous deep, resonant sound
smooth sailing	easy progress without impediment or difficulty
orchestrating	arrange the elements of (a situation) to produce a desired effect, especially surreptitiously
weigh in	make a forceful contribution
cross over	to change from one activity or style to another
upset the apple cart	to cause trouble, especially by spoiling someone's plans
disparate	essentially different in kind
brinkmanship	the art or practice of pursuing a dangerous policy to the limits of safety before stopping, especially in politics

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The Hindu Editorial Vocabulary – June 26, 2020- Day 309

Difficult Word/Phrase	Contextual Meaning
senseless	lacking common sense
flag	mark for attention
inured	accustomed (someone) to something, especially something unpleasant
remanded	placed in custody
suo motu	an action taken by a court of its own accord, without any request by the parties involved
autopsy	a postmortem examination to discover the cause of death
incredibly	to a great degree
pervasive	existing in every part of something
extracting	take out especially by force
pathology	the science of the causes and effects
inflict	cause (something unpleasant or painful) to be suffered by someone

thrashed	beat repeatedly and violently
perverse	showing deliberate determination to behave in a way that most people think is wrong, unacceptable, or unreasonable
top brass	the people with the highest positions of authority

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The Hindu Editorial Vocabulary – June 25, 2020- Day 308

Difficult Word/ Phrase	Contextual Meaning
procurement	the action of obtaining something by particular care and effort
sought	ask for something from someone
thrust	the main idea, subject, or opinion that is discussed
backdrop	provide a background or setting for
coupled	linked in a pair
cutting-edge	highly advanced; innovative or pioneering
kindled	arouse an emotion
double-edged sword	something that has or can have both favorable and unfavorable consequences
fraught	filled with or likely to result in (something undesirable)

entrench	establish (an attitude, habit, or belief) so firmly that change is very difficult or unlikely
wean itself off	wean someone off something means to make someone gradually stop depending on something that they like and have become used to)
overhaul	a thorough examination of a system, with changes made if necessary

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Difficult Word/ Phrases	Contextual Meaning
proclamation	a public or official announcement
purportedly	as appears or is stated to be true
clamp down	stop or limit an unwanted activity
garnered	to get or earn something
swathe	a broad strip
quadrupled	to become four times

genuflect	lower one's body as a sign of respect
blowback	negative reactions
savage	very large & severe
juggernaut	powerful company

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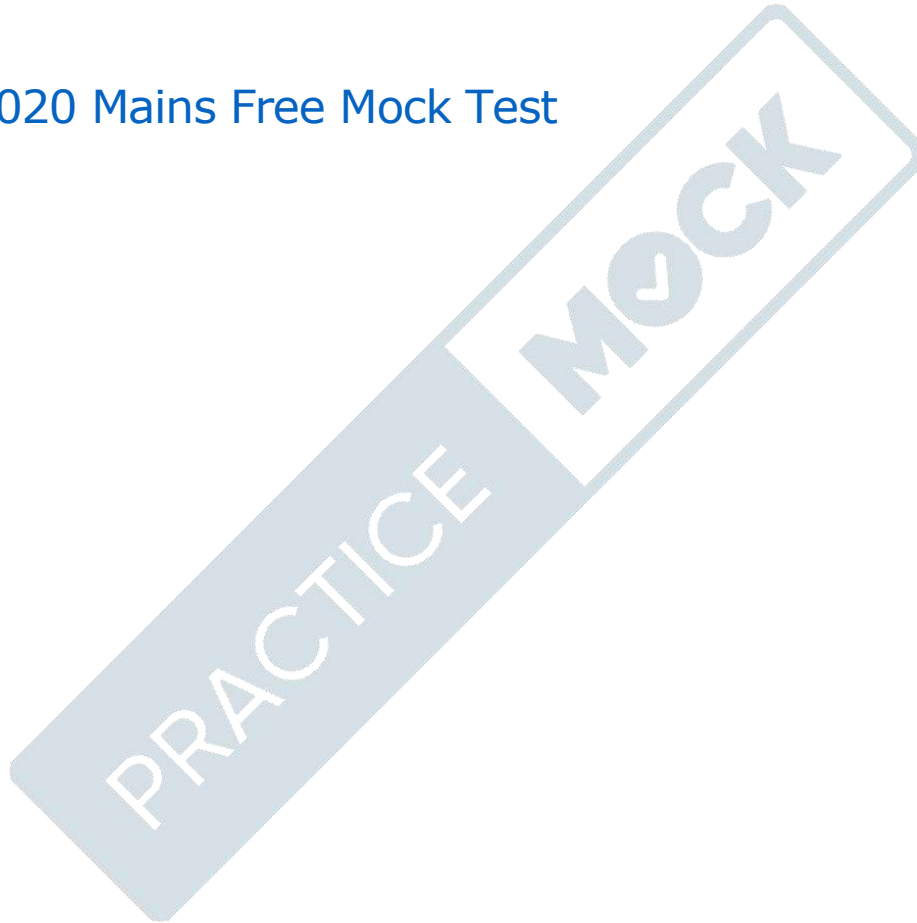
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Difficult Word/ Phrases	Contextual Meaning
isolated	far away from other places, buildings, or people
lone wolf	a lone person
to be on the radar	considered important
link up	join them for a particular purpose
perpetrator	a person who carries out a harmful, illegal, or immoral act
foil	prevent (something considered wrong or undesirable) from succeeding
shrinking	becoming smaller in amount

stab	thrust a knife or other pointed weapon into (someone) so as to wound or kill
multi-pronged	made up of several points of view
anchored	rooted

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Difficult Word/ Phrase	Contextual Meaning
symptomatic	serving as a sign, especially of something undesirable
intrusion	the act of putting oneself deliberately into a place or situation where one is unwelcome or uninvited
erecting	constructing
foiled	prevent (something considered wrong or undesirable) from succeeding
transgression	offence
underlin	give emphasis to
transpire	happen
fuel	make something strong
inflection point	a time of significant change in a situation
craft	make something in a skilled way
obscure	keep from being seen

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Difficult Word/ Phrase	Contextual Meaning
Fleecing	obtain a great deal of money from
crude	in a natural or unfinished state
freight	goods transported in bulk
disconcerting	making someone feel uncertain
embarked	begin
milking	to get as much money or information out of someone
conformity	behavior that follows the usual standards
intermittently	in a way that does not happen regularly or continuously
grappling	to fight, especially in order to win something
onus	the responsibility or duty
resumption	the start of something again
haulage	the business of transporting goods

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Difficult Word/Phrase	Contextual Meaning
peninsula	a piece of land almost surrounded by water
on track	making progress and likely to succeed
liaison	communication or cooperation which facilitates a close working relationship between countries
demilitarised	remove all military forces from an area
posturing	behavior that is intended to impress or mislead
denuclearisation	to remove or ban nuclear weapons from
defector	a group who has abandoned their country or cause in favor of an opposing one
propaganda	information, especially of a biased or misleading nature, used to promote or publicize a particular political cause or point of view
rolling back	moving back
stall	stoppage
sanction	a threatened penalty for disobeying a law or rule
wary	feeling or showing caution about possible dangers or problems
stage	style something in such a way as to enhance its attractiveness

sagging	becoming weaker
footnote	an ancillary piece of information printed at the bottom of a page

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The Hindu Editorial Vocabulary – June 19, 2020

Difficult Word/Phrase	Contextual Meaning
diplomatic	involving the management of relationships between countries
uncontested	a decision or result which nobody opposes or disagrees with
multilateralism	several different countries or organizations work together
brochure	a type of small magazine that contains pictures and information on a product or a company
multilateral	involving more than two groups or countries
diplomacy	management of relationships between countries
alliances	a group of countries, political parties who work together
resisted	to fight against or oppose something

multilateral	involving more than two groups or countries
geopolitics	politics, especially international relations
polarised	to cause people in a group to have opposing positions

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The Hindu Editorial Vocabulary – June 18, 2020

Difficult Word/ Phrase	Contextual Meaning
disengagement	fact of stopping being involved in something
brutal	cruel, violent
uncharted	a place never before described
combat	fighting during a time of war
incurred	to experience something bad
sovereignty	the power
non-contentious	likely to cause an argument
countenance	approval
premeditated	thought of or planned before being done
entrenched	established firmly

reaffirmed	to state your support for something again
precarious	in danger because not firmly fixed
painstakingly	in a way that shows you have taken a lot of care or made a lot of effort

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The Hindu Editorial Vocabulary – June 17, 2020

Difficult Word/ Phrase	Contextual Meaning
Affirmative	positive, or showing agreement
ordinance	a law or rule made by a government or authority
inequity	the fact that a situation is not fair
high-decibel	loud
invariably	always
veered	to change direction
quashed	to say officially that something, especially an earlier official decision, is no longer to be accepted
debatable	not clear
vulnerable	something that can be easily attacked

deep-rooted	strongly felt or believed
sustained	continuing for a long time
holistic	relating to the whole of something

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The Hindu Editorial Vocabulary – June 16, 2020

Difficult Word/Phrase	Contextual Meaning
serological	blood tests that look for antibodies in your blood
undercount	count or figure that is inaccurately low
methodology	a system of methods used in a particular area of study or activity
vulnerable	able to be easily attacked
hot spots	a place of significant activity, danger
fatalities	deaths
untenable	something that cannot continue as it is

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The Hindu Editorial Vocabulary – June 15, 2020

Difficult Word/Phrase	Contextual Meaning
tide over	to help to get through a period of difficulty
pandemic	a dangerous disease that infects many people at one time
liabilities	legal responsibility for something
waived	to not demand something you have a right to
compliance	the act of obeying an order, rule, or request
envisaged	to imagine or expect something in the future
forbearance	the quality of being patient
dwindling	gradually becoming smaller in size or amount, or fewer in number
urging	the act of strongly advising someone
enshrined	to contain or keep in a place that is highly admired and respected
fractious	tending to argue or complain
consensus	a generally accepted opinion or decision
recompense	to give something to someone as a payment or reward for their efforts
Procrastination	the act of delaying something that must be done

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The Hindu Editorial Vocabulary – June 14, 2020

Difficult Word/ Phrase	Contextual Meaning
defection	the act of leaving a political party to join another that is considered to be an enemy
upheaval	a major change or period of change that causes a lot of conflict, confusion, anger, etc.
in the making	in the process of developing
tussle	a vigorous struggle, typically in order to obtain or achieve something
spruce someone up	to make oneself more attractive
snarled up	unable to make progress
common ground	shared interests, beliefs, or opinions
turn up the heat	to increase the intensity of activity, coercion etc.
usurp	to seize and hold (as office, place, or powers) in possession by force or without right
wrest	forcibly pull (something) from somebody's grasp

lure	tempt a person to do something especially by offering some form of reward.
gate-crash	enter without an invitation
disenchantment	a feeling of disappointment about someone or something you previously respected or admired
facade	a way of behaving or appearing that gives other people a false idea of your true feelings or situation
dismantle	to gradually cause (something) to come to an end
upending	to turn something onto one end
traverse	move across
inopportune	not suitable for a particular situation

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The Hindu Editorial Vocabulary – June 13, 2020

Difficult Word/ Phrase/ Term	Contextual Meaning/ Definition
Uniformity	the quality or fact of being the same
headed	quality of leading something
anglicised	to change a word or name to make it sound or look like English
convention	a way of doing something or appearing that is considered usual and correct
illogical	not reasonable, wise or practical

anxious	worried and nervous
pragmatism	an approach to problems and situations that is based on practical solutions
equilibrium	a state of balance

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The Hindu Editorial Vocabulary – June 12, 2020

Difficult Word/ Phrase/ Term	Contextual Meaning/ Definition
complacency	a feeling of uncritical satisfaction with one's achievements
bleak	miserable
prolonged	longer than usual
case fatality rate	the proportion of people who die from a specified disease among all individuals diagnosed with the disease over a certain period of time
nevertheless	in spite of that
slackening	decreasing in intensity

disastrous	causing great damage
continuum	sequence
stretch	spreading over a large area
triage	the assignment of degrees of urgency to illnesses to decide the order of treatment of a large number of patients
quarantined	isolation imposed on a person
recovery rate	the number of people who have recovered from an illness

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The Hindu Editorial Vocabulary – June 11, 2020

Difficult Word/Phrase	Contextual Meaning
in succession	following one after the other without interruption
strip somebody of something	to take something important, such as a title, away from someone as a punishment
come as a surprise	(to be unexpected)
imbibe	to take in

sprint	a short and very fast race
dubious	unreliable
big fish	an important person
peril	a serious and immediate danger
temptation	the desire to do something, especially something wrong
emphatically	forcefully
long gone	something ending at a distant time in the past
wake-up call	a thing that alerts people to an unsatisfactory situation and prompts them to remedy it

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Difficult Word/Phrase	Contextual Meaning
cross the line	to start to behave in a way that is not socially acceptable

ill-thought-out	not carefully considered and planned
depicted	described
nativism	the policy of protecting the interests of native-born or established inhabitants against those of immigrants
preemptively	taken as a measure against something feared
to wash their hands of	to intentionally stop being involved in something
ramp up	a large increase in the level of something
come clean	be completely honest; keep nothing hidden
contiguous	sharing a common border
rhetoric	the art of persuasive speaking
flout	to openly disregard
overturn	reverse a decision
get your act together	organize your affairs so that you are able to deal with something effectively

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Difficult Word/Phrase	Contextual Meaning
new age	a way of life and thinking that developed in the late 1980s, whose supporters were interested in ideas that existed before modern scientific and economic theories
upsurge	increase
show off	boastfully display one's accomplishments
lobby	to try to persuade an elected official to take a particular action
exponentially	more and more rapidly
sign up	to agree to become involved in an organized activity
leap of faith	a belief in something uncertain
propensity	an inclination to behave in a particular way
stand up	to prove to be true when closely examined
harbour	to think about or feel something, usually over a long period
non-partisan	not support or help a particular group
arbiter	somebody who decides what will be done
vested interests	a strong personal interest in something because you could get an advantage from it

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Difficult Word/ Phrase	Contextual Meaning
profiteering	seek to make an excessive or unfair profit, especially illegally
big brother	a government that has complete power and tries to control people's behaviour and thoughts and limit their freedom
temper	act as a neutralizing or counterbalancing force to (something)
avaricious	showing an extreme greed for wealth or material gain
fall square	fall directly
exorbitant	unreasonably high
in the front line	in a position, especially in an organization or group, where you are the most likely to be criticized or attacked
all hands to the deck	something needing everyone to work hard to achieve an aim or do a task.
subsume	include in something else

watchfulness	paying careful attention to something
shorn	to deprive
high-handedness	having or showing no regard for the rights, concerns, or feelings of others

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Difficult Word/ Phrase	Contextual Meaning
low-key	modest or restrained
double-header	two events, sports games, entertainments, etc. happening one after another
footprint	effect of something
hop	to make short leaps
curb	a limit on something
keep afloat	to have enough money to pay their debts and continue operating
pledge	to formally promise
at stake	at risk

nimble	quick in movement or action
in good stead	to be useful to, especially in a critical situation
back on its feet	well or successful again after being ill or having problems

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The Hindu Editorial Vocabulary – June 6, 2020

Word/ Phrase	Contextual Meaning
retraction	the act of taking back an offer or statement
journal	a serious magazine or newspaper that is published regularly about a particular subject
suspended	to stop something from being active
backlash	a strong, negative reaction to something
mortality	the number of deaths within a particular period of time
deployed	to use something or someone, especially in an effective way
clinical	medical work relating to examining and treating someone who is ill
introspected	to examine and consider your own ideas, thoughts

hindsight	the ability to understand an event or situation
blame game	a situation in which people try to blame each other for something bad

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Difficult Word/ Phrase/ Term	Contextual Meaning/ Definition
exacerbated	to make something that is already bad even worse
desist	to stop doing something
outset	the beginning
surge	a sudden and great increase
scourge	to cause great suffering or a lot of trouble
lashing out	to suddenly attack someone
gusts	a sudden strong wind
disproportionately	in a way that is too large or too small
pounded	to hit repeatedly with force

accentuated	make something more noticeable
aerially	in or from the air
indiscriminate	not showing careful thought or planning
organic	produced or involving production without the use of chemical fertilizers

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The Hindu Editorial Vocabulary – June 4, 2020

Difficult Words/ Phrases	Contextual Meaning
unabated	without any reduction in intensity
directives	official instructions
ventilator	a machine that helps people breathe correctly by allowing air to flow in and out of their lungs
tardy	slow or late in happening
abandoned	left without care and protection
obstetrics	area of medicine that deals with pregnancy and the birth of babies

gynaecology	area of medicine that involves the treatment of women's diseases
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The Hindu Editorial Vocabulary – June 3, 2020

Difficult Word/ Phrase/ Term	Contextual Meaning/ Definition
liquidity	being available in the form of money
collaborative	involving two or more people working together for a [articular purpose
hobble	to limit something
quagmire	difficult situation
discoms	Distribution Company in India
grappling	fight
aggregate	to combine into a single group or total
persisting	continues to exist
enforcement	the process of making people obey a law or rule
plaguing	to cause worry

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Difficult Word/ Phrase/ Term	Contextual Meaning/ Definition
sovereign	a supreme ruler
pilot tested	experiment is a small scale preliminary study conducted in order to evaluate feasibility, duration etc
Bitcoin	type of digital currency in which a record of transactions is maintained and new units of currency
shortcomings	a fault or failure
cryptocurrencies	it is a digital asset designed
pegged	an arrangement that fixes a price, currency, etc
stomach-churning	feeling of disgust
articulated	expressed; put into words
hastened	to make something happen sooner

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The Hindu Editorial Vocabulary – June 1, 2020

Difficult Word/ Phrase/ Term	Contextual Meaning/ Definition
Chaotic	in a state of complete confusion and disorder
colossal	extremely large
nodal agency	direct concern office
heaped	containing as much as possible
distraught	extremely worried
inordinately	in a way that is much more than usual or expected
borne	moved or carried
abysmal	very bad
hurtled	to move very fast, esp. in what seems a dangerous way
cynicism	self-interest

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