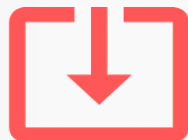


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Difficult Word/ Phrase	Contextual Meaning
alliance	an agreement between groups
staging	protesting against something
ultimatum	Warning, usually last and most threatening one
deadlock	a state or situation in which agreement in an argument cannot be reached because neither side will change its demands
crusade	a long and determined attempt to achieve something
coherent	having its parts related in an organized and reasonable way
ideological	based on or relating to a particular set of ideas or beliefs
relentless	continuing in a severe or extreme way
reluctant	not willing to do something
impasse	a situation in which further development is impossible

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Difficult Word/ Phrase	Contextual Meaning
wariness	caution
scaling	climbing up
barring	except if a particular thing happens
virologists	a scientist who studies viruses and the diseases that they cause
serosurveys	involves testing of blood serum of a group
asymptomatic	showing no symptoms
ravaged	damaged or destroyed something badly
fatality rates	number of deaths from a specific cause
outbreak	sudden increase in occurrences of a disease

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Difficult Word/ Phrase	Contextual Meaning
extinction	a situation in which something no longer exists
caught in the crossfire	to be involved in a situation where people around you are arguing
salvage	to try to make a bad situation better
apparent	able to be seen or understood
shallowness	
optimistic	hoping or believing that good things will happen in the future
claimant	a person who asks for something that they believe belongs to them or that they have a right to
resurgence	a process in which something starts to grow, develop
aggravate	to make a bad situation worse

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Difficult Word/ Phrase	Contextual Meaning
consolidated	combine several things to form a single thing
verdict	an opinion or decision made after judging the facts
pledged	a serious or formal promise
restoration	process of returning something to its original condition
suspension	act of stopping something happening
separatist	someone who supports an effort to become independent of the country or group
vigorously	in a way that is very forceful or energetic
inroads	direct and noticeable effects on something
boycotted	to refuse to buy a product or take part in an activity as a way of expressing strong disapproval
vital	important

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Difficult Word/ Phrase	Contextual Meaning
kernel	most important part of something
fragmented	separated into several parts
distortions	a change to the intended or true meaning of something
omnibus law	a law that covers diverse or unrelated topics
profiteering	practice of making unfair profit
indictment	a sign that a policy, system is wrong
covenants	formal agreements
staggering	shocking/surprising
procurement	the process of getting supplies
exclusionary	exclusion of something

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The Hindu Editorial Vocabulary- December 22, 2020- Day 437

Difficult Word/ Phrase	Contextual Meaning
Transmissibility	the quality of a disease or trait being able to be passed on from one person or organism to another
Follow suit	Imitate or do as someone else has done
Mutation	a process in which the genetic material of a person, a plant or an animal changes in structure when it is passed on to children, etc., causing different physical characteristics to develop
Bind	tie or fasten (something) tightly
Receptor	a chemical group or molecule (such as a protein) on the cell surface or in the cell interior that has an affinity for a specific chemical group, molecule, or virus
Affinity	the degree to which a substance tends to combine with another
Modelling	devise a representation, especially a mathematical one, of (a phenomenon or system)
Come into play	becoming active, operative, or effective
Tweaking	improve (a mechanism or system) by making fine adjustments to it
Immunocompetence	the ability of the body to produce a normal immune response following exposure to an antigen

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Difficult Word/Phrase	Contextual Meaning
Shackles	something that checks or prevents free action
Firm up	becoming firmer and more solid
Bilateral	involving two parties, especially countries
Chapter	a period that is part of a larger amount of time during which something happens
Ties	the friendly feelings that people have for other people, or special connections with places
Envision	imagine as a future possibility; visualize
Wrap up	to bring to a usually successful conclusion
Stagnant	showing no activity
Preoccupation	the state or condition of being preoccupied or engrossed with something
Fugitive	a person who has escaped from a place or is in hiding, especially to avoid arrest or persecution

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The Hindu Editorial Vocabulary- December 16, 2020- Day 435

Difficult Word/ Phrase	Contextual Meaning
Nascent	just coming into existence and beginning to display signs of future potential
On the face of it	without knowing all of the relevant facts; apparently
Basket	a group of related things
Softening	make or become less severe
Perishables	things, especially foodstuffs, likely to decay or go bad quickly
Bode well	to show or suggest that future developments or events will be good or favourable
Disconcertingly	causing one to feel unsettled
Foresee	predict
Agrarian	relating to cultivated land or the cultivation of land
Hinterland	a region remote from urban areas

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The Hindu Editorial Vocabulary- December 14, 2020- Day 434

Difficult Word/ Phrase/ Term	Contextual Meaning/ Definition
Throttle	attack or kill (someone) by choking or strangling them
Plaintiff	a person who brings a case against another in a court of law
Cut off	to stop someone from going somewhere, especially by blocking their way
Wrath	extreme anger (chiefly used for humorous or rhetorical effect)
Fallout	the adverse side effects or results of a situation
Taint	a trace of bad or undesirable quality
Shrug off	to treat something as if it is not important or not a problem
Market capitalisation	the value of a company that is traded on the stock market, calculated by multiplying the total number of shares by the present share price
Backlash	a strong and adverse reaction by a large number of people, especially to a social or political development
Break-up	the separation or breaking up of something into several pieces or sections

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The Hindu Editorial Vocabulary- December 11, 2020- Day 433

Difficult Word/ Phrase	Contextual Meaning
Chaff	the husks of corn or other seed separated by winnowing or threshing
Unrelenting	extremely determined
Parity	the state or condition of being equal, especially regarding status
Repeal	if a government, or other group, or person with authority repeals a law, that law is no longer valid
Set the stage	conditions have been made right for something to happen, or that something is likely to happen
Showdown	a final test or confrontation intended to settle a dispute
Brazen it out	to continue in a confident way without showing shame or embarrassment
Better off	in a more desirable or advantageous position, especially in financial terms
Cognisant	having knowledge or being aware of
Leverage	use (something) to maximum advantage

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Difficult Word/ Phrase	Contextual Meaning
Vista	a pleasing view
Celebratory	used or intended to publicly acknowledge a significant or happy day or event
Edifice	a building, especially a large, imposing one
Accord	be harmonious or consistent with
Ethos	the guiding beliefs of a person, group, or organization
Poised	be or cause to be balanced
Epochal	uniquely or highly significant
Debilitation	serious weakening
Prevaricating	speak or act in an evasive way
Piecemeal	characterized by unsystematic partial measures taken over a period of time

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The Hindu Editorial Vocabulary- December 8, 2020- Day 431

Difficult Word/ Phrase	Contextual Meaning
Debris	scattered pieces of waste or remains
Threshold	The magnitude or intensity that must be exceeded for a certain result to be manifested
Lingering	lasting for a long time or slow to end
Incumbent	currently holding office
Arduous	involving or requiring strenuous effort
Polarisation	division into two sharply contrasting groups or sets of opinions or beliefs
Partisan	a strong supporter of a party or cause
Expediently	in a way that is helpful or useful in a particular situation, but sometimes not morally acceptable
Humming	be in a state of great activity
Gash	To make a long, deep cut

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The Hindu Editorial Vocabulary- December 4, 2020- Day 430

Difficult Word/ Phrase	Contextual Meaning
Buoyed	to make someone feel happier or more confident about a situation
Ambit	the scope, extent, or bounds of something
Expatriates	a person who lives outside their native country
Bellwether	leader
Fortuitously	by chance rather than intention
Asymmetrical	unequal
Pared down	reduced to a very simple form
staggered	arranged so that things happen at different times
Adherence	the fact of someone behaving exactly according to rules, beliefs, etc.
Jeopardise	put (someone or something) into a situation in which there is a danger of loss, harm, or failure

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The Hindu Editorial Vocabulary- December 3, 2020- Day 429

Difficult Word/Phrase	Contextual Meaning
Choppy	Fairly rough
Tidings	News
Streak	a short period of good luck
Uptick	a small increase
Caveat	a warning or proviso of specific stipulations, conditions, or limitations
Pent-up	used to describe strong demand for a product that has not had the opportunity of being expressed as sales, for example because consumers have had too little money
Exuberance	the quality of being full of energy, excitement, and cheerfulness
Fervour	intense and passionate feeling
Go awry	not happen as hoped or planned
slump	a sudden severe or prolonged fall in the price, value, or amount of something

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The Hindu Editorial Vocabulary- December 2, 2020- Day 428

Difficult Word/Acronym	Contextual Meaning/Definition
SCO	Shanghai Cooperation Organisation is a Eurasian political, economic, and security alliance
Communiqué	an official announcement or statement
Multilateralism	the principle of participation by three or more parties, especially by the governments of different countries
Show up	be conspicuous or clearly visible
Ostensibly	apparently or purportedly, but perhaps not actually
Sidebar	a short article in a newspaper or magazine, typically boxed, placed alongside a main article, and containing additional or explanatory material
SAARC	The South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation (SAARC) is the regional intergovernmental organization and geopolitical union of states in South Asia
BBIN	The Bangladesh, Bhutan, India, Nepal (BBIN) Initiative is a subregional architecture of countries in Eastern South Asia, a subregion of South Asia
RCEP	The Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership is a free trade agreement initiated by Indonesia[3] between the Asia-Pacific nations of Australia, Brunei, Cambodia, China, Indonesia, Japan, Laos, Malaysia, Myanmar, New Zealand, the Philippines, Singapore, South Korea, Thailand, and Vietnam
Eschew	deliberately avoid using; abstain from

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Difficult Word	Contextual Meaning
Containment	the action of keeping something harmful under control or within limits
Complacency	a feeling of smug or uncritical satisfaction with oneself or one's achievements
Mandate	give (someone) authority to act in a certain way
Onus	used to refer to something that is one's duty or responsibility
Reiterate	say something again or a number of times, typically for emphasis or clarity
Curb	a check or restraint on something
Rigour	the quality of being extremely thorough, or exhaustive
Underscore	emphasizing the importance of something
Protocol	the official procedure or system of rules
Fatality	an occurrence of death by accident, in war, or from disease

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