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VOCABULARY

1. **Unbridled**: Lacking in control or restraint.
 - Synonyms: Unrestrained, unchecked, unconstrained.
 - Antonyms: Controlled, restrained, limited.
 - Example: The unbridled pursuit of profit without considering environmental consequences can lead to ecological damage.
2. **Proponents** : Individuals who support or advocate for a particular idea, cause, or policy.
 - Synonyms: Advocates, supporters, champions.
 - Antonyms: Opponents, critics, detractors.
 - Example: Proponents of renewable energy argue that it offers a sustainable solution to our energy needs.
3. **Formidable** : Inspiring fear or respect through being impressively large, powerful, intense, or capable.
 - Synonyms: Intimidating, daunting, imposing.
 - Antonyms: Insignificant, trivial, unimposing.
 - Example: The task of rebuilding after the earthquake was formidable, but the community came together to tackle it.

4. **Nuanced:** Characterised by subtle differences or distinctions.
 - Synonyms: Subtle, intricate, complex.
 - Antonyms: Simplistic, straightforward, basic.
 - Example: The author presented a nuanced analysis of the social impacts of globalisation, considering both positive and negative aspects.

5. **Cascading:** Progressing or developing in a sequence of stages.
 - Synonyms: Flowing, descending, unfolding.
 - Antonyms: Stagnant, halted, stationary.
 - Example: The economic downturn in one country had a cascading effect on neighbouring nations, leading to a regional financial crisis.

6. **Profound:** Having deep meaning or significance.
 - Synonyms: Deep, meaningful, significant.
 - Antonyms: Superficial, trivial, shallow.
 - Example: The impact of globalisation on cultural exchange is profound, shaping the way societies perceive and embrace diversity.

7. **Menace:** A threat or danger.
 - Synonyms: Threat, danger, peril, risk.

- Antonyms: Security, safety, protection.
- Example: The rise of antibiotic-resistant bacteria poses a serious menace to public health.

8. **Leverages** : To use something to maximum advantage.

- Synonyms: Utilises, exploits, capitalises on.
- Antonyms: Underutilised, disregards, neglects.
- Example: The company leverages social media to promote its products and engage with customers.

9. **Deter**: To discourage or prevent from doing something.

- Synonyms: Discourage, dissuade, hinder, inhibit.
- Antonyms: Encourage, motivate, spur.
- Example: Visible police presence can deter criminal activities in urban areas.

10. **Percussion**: The striking of one object against another with some force.

- Synonyms: Impact, collision, striking, hitting.
- Antonyms: Stillness, calm, peace.
- Example: The sound of percussion instruments echoed through the concert hall during the musical performance.

11. **Array** : A large or impressive collection or display of something.

- Synonyms: Range, assortment, selection.
- Antonyms: Few, scarcity, lack.
- Example: The art gallery boasts an impressive array of paintings from various periods.

Phrases

12. **Underscores the need**: This phrase means to emphasise or highlight the necessity of something.
13. **Paving the way**: This means to prepare the ground or make progress towards something.
14. **Lifted out of**: Elevated from a lower state or condition.
15. **Led to**: Resulted in or caused.
16. **Associated with**: Connected or linked with.
17. **Run into**: to experience a particular situation.
18. **Give rise to**: to cause something to happen or exist.

Idioms

19. **At its core**: Referring to the central or essential part of something.
20. **Ripple effects**: Describes the spreading and multiplying consequences of a particular event or action.

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CURRENT AFFAIRS

15th FEBRUARY, 2024

- 1. Hungarian President Katalin Novak resigned on Saturday after coming under mounting pressure for pardoning a man convicted for helping to cover up sexual abuse in a children's home.**
 - Ms. Novak, a close ally of conservative Prime Minister Viktor Orban, pardoned some two dozen people in April 2023 - among them the deputy director of the children's home, who helped the institution's former director hide his crimes.
- 2. Alaska health officials have confirmed the state's first fatal case of Alaskapox, a recently discovered viral disease. The victim, an elderly immunocompromised man from the Kenai Peninsula south of Anchorage, succumbed to the illness while undergoing treatment in late January.**

3. PM Narendra Modi unveils 'PM Suryaghar: Muft Bijli Yojna'. Aimed at fostering a greener future and facilitating the nation's march towards energy self-sufficiency, this initiative is set to revolutionize the energy landscape of India. Here, we delve into the intricacies of the scheme, its objectives, and the potential impact it holds for the Indian populace.
4. Ahead of the "Ahlan Modi" event, the Zayed Sports City Stadium in Abu Dhabi is all decked up for Prime Minister Narendra Modi's address to the Indian diaspora.
 - The Indian expatriate community of approximately 3.5 million is the largest ethnic community in the UAE, constituting roughly 35 per cent of the country's population.
5. Tamang community holds a significant place, celebrating their identity and history through the vibrant festival of Sonam Losar.
6. Nestled within the rich cultural tapestry of India lies a tradition that dates back over 4,000 years, embodying the essence of artistic expression and craftsmanship. Dhokra Shilpkala, often hailed as one of the oldest known methods of metal casting, holds a special place in the heart of Indian heritage.

- This ancient technique, originating from the tribal communities of India, continues to captivate art enthusiasts worldwide with its intricate designs and unparalleled craftsmanship.
7. India and Bangladesh opened trade via the Maia (West Bengal)-Sultanganj (Bangladesh) river ports on the Ganga river. Shantanu Thakur, the Indian Minister of State for Ports, Shipping, and Waterways, flagged off the first cargo vessels carrying stones from Maia inland customs port.
 8. India's top-ranked men's singles player Sumit Nagal secured an easy victory in the final of the Chennai Open Challenger.
 9. Assam's Chief Minister, Himanta Biswa Sarma, took to social media to announce the designation of 'Kaji Nemu' lemon as the state fruit, heralding a new era for local agriculture.
 10. Shamer Joseph and Amy Hunter crowned ICC players of the month for January 2024.