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### VOCABULARY

1. **Duping**: deceiving or tricking someone.
  - Synonyms: Fooling, Misleading, Deluding.
  - Antonyms: Genuine, Honest, Authentic, Sincere.
  - sentence: The scam artist duped investors into believing his scheme had genuine meaning.
2. **Lucrative**: something that is profitable.
  - Synonyms: Gainful, Prosperous, Rewarding, Remunerative.
  - Antonyms: Fruitless, Unprofitable, Non-remunerative.
  - sentence: Investing in real estate can be highly lucrative if done strategically.
3. **Repatriated**: The act of returning someone or something to their own country.
  - Synonyms: Returned, Restored, Sent back.
  - Antonyms: Exiled, Banished, Deported, Removed.
  - sentence: The soldier was repatriated to his homeland after serving abroad for many years.
4. **Woes**: Troubles or problems that someone experiences.
  - Synonyms: Hardships, Adversities, Difficulties.
  - Antonyms: Delights, Pleasures, Happiness.

- sentence: Despite her personal woes, she always wore a smile and remained optimistic.

5. **Dodge**: to avoid something.

- Synonyms: Evade, Elude, Sidestep, Ignore.
- Antonyms: Confront, Face, Encounter, Meet.
- Sentence: He tried to dodge the question, but his hesitation gave him away.

6. **Sway**: The act of moving or to influence someone.

- Synonyms: Dominance, Authority, Control, Persuade.
- Antonyms: Oppose, Resist, Defy, Disregard.
- sentence: The musician's melodies had a soothing sway over the restless crowd.

7. **Dwindle**: to gradually decrease.

- Synonyms: Decline, Diminish, Shrink, Wane.
- Antonyms: Increase, Expand, Grow, Rise.
- sentence: With each passing day, his hope began to dwindle.

8. **Erratic**: something that is irregular or unpredictable.

- Synonyms: Inconsistent, Unstable, Capricious.
- Antonyms: Predictable, Regular, Stable, Reliable.
- sentence: Her erratic driving made the passengers uneasy.

9. **Hogged**: something being controlled or something being bent.
- Synonyms: Monopolized, Controlled, Dominated.
  - Antonyms: Shared, Fair, Balanced, Equitable.
  - sentence: The greedy businessman hogged all the profits, leaving his partners with little to show for their efforts.
10. **Surfeit**: An excessive amount of something.
- Synonyms: Profusion, Plethora, Superfluity, Glut.
  - Antonyms: Deficiency, Scarcity, Lack, Shortage.
  - sentence: The surfeit of information on the internet can be overwhelming at times.

### **IDIOMS AND PHRASES**

11. **On the line (Idiom)**: A state of uncertainty.
12. **See eye to eye (Idiom)**: to agree on something.
13. **Boil the ocean (Idiom)**: To try to do an impossible task.
14. **Lured into (Phrasal verb)**: Drawn into finding purpose in something.
15. **Bear down on (Phrasal verb)**: To take strong measures against something.

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## CURRENT AFFAIRS

11<sup>th</sup> March, 2024

1.



- Krystyna Pyszkova from the Czech Republic was crowned as the Miss World 2024 at a grand event in Mumbai, India.

### Runners-Up and Continental Winners

- First Runner-Up: Yasmina Zaytoun of Lebanon
- Miss World Asia and Oceania: Yasmina Azaytoun of Lebanon.
- Miss World Europe: Krystyna Pyszkova of Czech Republic.
- Miss World America and Caribbean: Ache Abrahams of Trinidad and Tobago.
- Miss World Africa: Lesego Chombo of Botswana.

2.



- Arun Goel's tenure was till December 5, 2027, and he would have become chief election commissioner after Rajiv Kumar retired in February next year.

3.





- India has been awarded the prestigious ‘ Measles and Rubella Champion’ awarded by the Measles and Rubella Partnership.

4.



- Recently, the School Soil Health Program was inaugurated by the Union Minister of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare and Union Minister of Rural Development.
- Union Agriculture and Farmers Welfare Minister Shri Arjun Munda and Union Rural Development Minister Shri Giriraj Singh jointly inaugurated four major initiatives in the agriculture sector along with the School Soil Health Programme.

- School Soil Health Programme.
- Revised Soil Health Card Portal and Mobile Application.
- Krishi Sakhi Convergence Programme.
- Central Fertilizer Quality Control and Training Institute Portal

5.



- President Droupadi Murmu nominated author and philanthropist Sudha Murty to the Rajya Sabha.

6. The Prime Minister laid the foundation stone for the “Experience of Spirituality at Chitrakoot Ghat” project in Chitrakoot. He also performed the Bhoomi Pujan for the upgradation and development of Ganga Ghats at a cost of around Rs26 crore 55 lakh.

7.



- CISF Raising Day is celebrated every year on March 10. This day marks the establishment of the Central Industrial Security Force (CISF) in 1969.

8.



- Union Minister Anurag Singh Thakur grandly inaugurated the Sansad Khel Mahakumbh 3.0 at the Luhnu Cricket Ground in Bilaspur on March 5, 2024.

9.



- Indian Oil Corporation Ltd (IOC), India's top oil firm, will begin manufacturing fuel for adrenaline-pumping Formula One racing in three months, expanding its niche fuel portfolio.

10.



- Two-time Paralympics gold medallist Devendra Jhajharia was on Saturday elected unopposed as the Paralympic Committee of India (PCI) president, succeeding another celebrated para athlete Deepa Malik.

11. World's longest twin-line Tunnel: PM Modi inaugurates Sela Tunnel in Arunachal Pradesh.

12. James Anderson becomes first pacer to take 700 Wickets in Test Cricket.