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### VOCABULARY

- 1. Succour (Noun/Verb):** Assistance, support, or relief given in times of difficulty or distress. To give aid, help, or comfort.
  - Synonyms: Aid, Assistance, Support, Relief.
  - Antonyms: Neglect, Abandonment, Hindrance.
  - sentence: The community rallied to provide succour to the victims of the natural disaster.
- 2. Expedited (Adjective):** Originally planned for a faster pace or immediate action.
  - Synonyms: Accelerated, Hastened, Quickened, Fast-tracked.
  - Antonyms: Delayed, Protracted, Slowed.
  - sentence: The company expedited the delivery of the urgent order to meet the client's tight deadline.
- 3. Erstwhile (Adjective):** Formerly or in the past.
  - Synonyms: Former, Previous, Old, Past.
  - Antonyms: Current, Present, Ongoing.
  - sentence: The erstwhile manager retired after decades of dedicated service to the company.
- 4. Subversion (Noun):** The act or process of undermining or sabotaging, especially in a secretive or insidious manner.

- Synonyms: Sabotage, Undermining, Treachery, Espionage.
- Antonyms: Loyalty, Allegiance, Support.
- sentence: The spy's activities were a clear case of subversion aimed at destabilizing the government.

5. **Plethora (Noun)**: An excessive amount or abundance of something.

- Synonyms: Excess, Surplus, Overflow, Abundance.
- Antonyms: Scarcity, Shortage, Insufficiency.
- sentence: The bookstore had a plethora of books catering to various interests and genres.

6. **Indictment (Noun)**: A formal charge or accusation of a serious crime, typically presented by a grand jury.

- Synonyms: Accusation, Charge, Allegation, Prosecution.
- Antonyms: Acquittal, Exoneration, Vindication.
- sentence: The grand jury issued an indictment against the suspect for embezzlement.

7. **Poised (Adjective)**: Having a composed and self-assured manner, often ready for action or decision.

- Synonyms: Confident, Ready, Prepared, Balanced.
- Antonyms: Unsteady, Nervous, Hesitant.
- sentence: The speaker was poised and articulate, delivering the presentation with grace and confidence.

8. **Morass (Noun)**: A complex and confusing situation; a tangled or confusing mass.
- Synonyms: Quagmire, Tangle, Confusion, Predicament.
  - Antonyms: Clear, Ordered, Simple, monotone.
  - sentence: The legal morass surrounding the case made it challenging to discern a clear path forward.
9. **Credible (Adjective)**: Capable of being believed or trusted; reliable.
- Synonyms: Trustworthy, Reliable, Dependable, Authentic.
  - Antonyms: Unreliable, Dubious, Untrustworthy.
  - sentence: The witness provided credible evidence that strengthened the case against the accused.
10. **Brazen (Adjective)**: Bold and without shame; displaying a lack of respect for conventional behavior.
- Synonyms: Shameless, Bold, Audacious, Impudent.
  - Antonyms: Subtle, Modest, Reserved.
  - sentence: The politician's brazen remarks stirred controversy and public criticism.
11. **Totter (Verb)**: To move unsteadily, often on the verge of falling; to sway or waver.
- Synonyms: Stagger, Falter, Teeter, Reel.
  - Antonyms: Stabilize, Stand firm, Remain steady.
  - sentence: The old building seemed to totter in the strong winds, raising concerns about its structural integrity.

12. **Retract (Verb):** To withdraw or take back something, especially a statement or accusation.
- Synonyms: Withdraw, Recant, Revoke, Abjure.
  - Antonyms: Affirm, Assert, Confirm.
  - sentence: Realizing the mistake, the spokesperson decided to retract the misleading statement.
13. **Respite (Noun):** A short period of rest, relief, or temporary delay from something challenging or difficult.
- Synonyms: Break, Intermission, Reprieve, Pause.
  - Antonyms: Continuation, Perseverance, Endurance.
  - sentence: After weeks of intense work, the holiday provided a much-needed respite for the exhausted team.
14. **Loom (Verb):** To appear or stand over someone in a threatening or imminent way; to be about to happen.
- Synonyms: Impend, Approach, Threaten, Menace.
  - Antonyms: Recede, Retreat, Dissipate.
  - sentence: The dark clouds on the horizon signaled that a storm was looming

### IDIOMS AND PHRASES

15. **To fish in troubled waters (Idiom):** To take advantage of a situation, especially when there is chaos or confusion, to achieve personal gain or success.
16. **Lay Bare (Phrase):** To reveal or expose something openly, especially something that was previously hidden or secret.

17. **Gain an Extra Berth (Phrase):** To secure an additional position or seat, often in a competitive context such as elections or appointments.
18. **On the Eve of (Phrase):** During the period just before a significant event or occasion.
19. **The Best of Both Worlds (Phrase):** To enjoy the advantages or benefits of two contrasting things simultaneously

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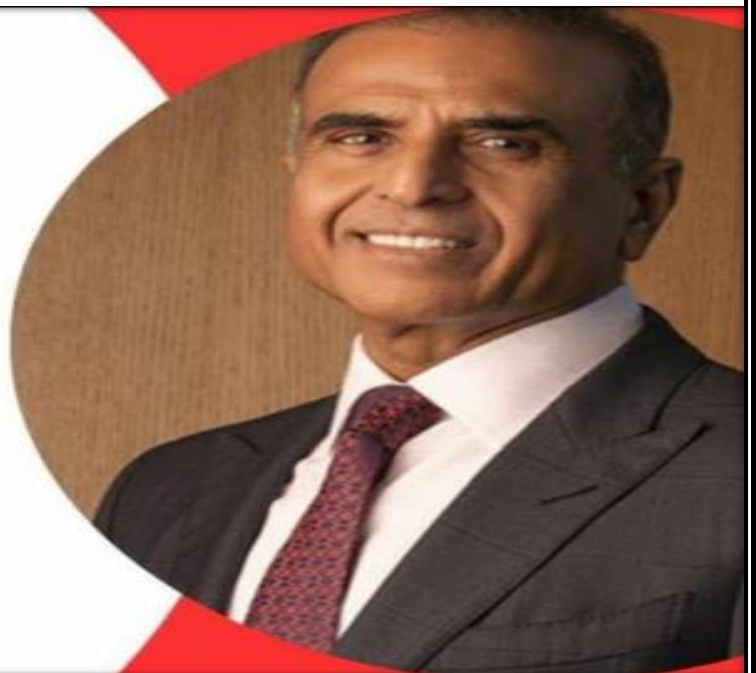
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## Sunil Bharti Mittal first Indian to get honorary Knighthood from King Charles III

- Bharti Enterprises founder and chairman, Sunil Bharti Mittal has become the first Indian citizen to receive an Honorary Knighthood from United Kingdom's King Charles III.

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- Reliance Industries and Reliance Foundation have launched a bold initiative, Vantara(Star of the Forest), dedicated to the rescue, treatment, care, and rehabilitation of animals in need.

4. PM Modi will be set to inaugurate the Pandit Deendayal Upadhyaya Statue in Maharashtra.
5. Akasa Air will operate its first international flight between Mumbai and Doha from March 28.
  - The finance ministry has recognised Akasa Air as a 'designated Indian carrier', bolstering the airline's international flight ambition.
6. In alignment with NEP 2020, the SWAYAM Plus platform will now include courses supporting industry needs that enhance the learners' employability.



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7. BioAsia2024, the 21st edition of the premier life sciences and healthcare forum in Asia, where innovation, data, and artificial intelligence converge to redefine possibilities held in Hyderabad, India, from February 26-28, 2024.
8. The Sangeet Natak Akademi, India's national academy for music, dance, and drama, confers two prestigious awards to recognize and celebrate excellence in the performing arts:
- Akademi Ratna(Akademi Fellow): This is the highest honor bestowed by the Akademi, limited to a maximum of 40 living individuals.
  - Akademi Puraskar (Akademi Award): This award recognizes outstanding contributions from artists across various performing arts disciplines.
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- The PM inaugurated the Banihal-Sangaldan railway line in Jammu and Kashmir, aiming to connect Baramulla in North Kashmir to Udhampur in Jammu. The railway section includes tunnels, bridges, and escape tunnels for passenger safety.
10. In Jammu and Kashmir, the four-day-long 'Tawi Festival' to showcase the Jammu region's art, culture, and heritage will begin on March 1, 2024.
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