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VOCABULARY

- 1. Vacillation:** The inability to decide between different opinions or actions; indecision.
 - Synonyms: Hesitation, indecision, wavering
 - Antonyms: Certainty, decisiveness, resolution
 - Sentence: The company's vacillation over the new project cost them valuable time and resources.

- 2. :** The process or state of breaking or being broken into small or separate parts.
 - Synonyms: Division, disintegration, separation
 - Antonyms: Unity, integration, consolidation
 - Sentence: The fragmentation of the coalition led to its eventual downfall.

- 3. Cobble:** To put together something from available parts or elements.
 - Synonyms: Assemble, put together, fabricate
 - Antonyms: Disassemble, dismantle, take apart
 - She managed to cobble together a team for the project at the last minute.

- 4. Resurgence:** An increase or revival after a period of little activity, popularity, or occurrence.
 - Synonyms: Revival, comeback, reappearance
 - Antonyms: Decline, deterioration, wane

- Sentence: The resurgence of interest in traditional crafts has benefited many artisans.
- 5.** Revitalise: To imbue something with new life and vitality.
- Synonyms: Renew, rejuvenate, invigorate
 - Antonyms: Drain, exhaust, deplete
 - Sentence: The government plans to revitalise the city center with new shops and amenities.
- 6.** : The state of being harmed or damaged.
- Synonyms: Harm, damage, disadvantage
 - Antonyms: Benefit, advantage, gain
 - Sentence: The policy changes were implemented to the detriment of small businesses.
- 7.** Enact: To make a bill or other proposal into law.
- Synonyms: Legislate, pass, approve
 - Antonyms: Repeal, revoke, annul
 - Sentence: The government decided to enact new legislation to improve environmental protection.
- 8.** Turmoil: A state of great disturbance, confusion, or uncertainty.
- Synonyms: Chaos, disorder, upheaval
 - Antonyms: Peace, order, calm
 - Sentence: The country has been in turmoil since the president's resignation.

- 9. Stagnation:** The state of not flowing or moving; lack of activity, growth, or development.
- Synonyms: Inactivity, stagnancy, inertia
 - Antonyms: Growth, progress, movement
 - Sentence: Economic stagnation has led to increased unemployment rates.
- 10. Prospect:** The possibility or likelihood of some future event occurring.
- Synonyms: Possibility, likelihood, expectation
 - Antonyms: Improbability, doubt, hopelessness
 - Example: The prospect of a promotion kept him motivated at work.

IDIOMS AND PHRASES

- 11.** A piece of cake: Something that is easy to understand or do
- 12.** Every cloud has a silver lining: Every bad situation has some good aspect
- 13.** Feel a bit under the weather: Feeling slightly ill
- 14.** Get out of hand : To lose control
- 15.** Jump on the bandwagon : Join a popular activity

CURRENT AFFAIRS

13th June, 2024

1. Australia will allow non-citizen permanent residents who have been living in Australia for atleast 12 months to join the Australian armed forces starting in July 2024.
 - This is due to Australia struggling to meet recruitment targets for its military.
2. The first-ever International Day of Play, to be observed on 11th June 2024, marks a significant milestone in efforts to preserve, promote, and prioritize playing so that all people, especially children, can reap the rewards and thrive to their full potential.
3. Every year on 12 June, the International Labour Organization (ILO) and its associated partners celebrate World Day Against Child Labour. The day is dedicated to highlight the issue of child labour and encourage governments, employers, labour organizations and society to put an end to child labour for the benefit of world.
 - The theme of World Day Against Child Labour 2024 is 'Let's act on our commitments: End Child Labour.'

4. Along with Mundra Port, Visakhapatnam Port has moved to 19th place in the famous Container Port Performance Index (CPPI) 2023. The World Bank and S&P Global Market Intelligence work together to make the CPPI 2023.
5. Lieutenant General Upendra Dwivedi has been appointed as the next Chief of the Army Staff. He will take charge from 30 June 2024.
 - The present Chief of the Army Staff, General Manoj C Pande will retired on 30th June.
6. Three years after vowing to enter the Assembly only as Chief Minister, N. Chandrababu Naidu has been sworn in for his fourth term as the Chief Minister of Andhra Pradesh.
 - The oath-taking ceremony, held near Gannavaram Airport in Kesarapallion the outskirts of Vijayawada, saw the attendance of key figures including PM Modi and Home Minister Amit Shah.
7. The 8th edition of the Japan-India Maritime Exercise (JIMEX-24) has commenced at Yokosuka, Japan, hosted by the Japan Maritime Self-Defence Force (JMSDF). Indian Navy's INS Shivalik and Japan's JS Yugiri are participating.

- 8.** The Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi, has said that the decision of 3 crore additional rural and urban houses under Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (PMAY) underscores the government's commitment to addressing the housing needs of our nation and ensuring that every citizen leads a better quality of life.
- 9.** The Uttar Pradesh government has unveiled its plans for the MotoGP event as it will be hosted by the city of Noida from 2025 until 2029 and announced a collaboration with Spain's Dorna Sports and the Indian partner which is Fairstreet sports. Initially, the event was to take place in 2024, but resulted in postponement due to weather conditions and is now slated for March 2025.
- 10.** The first ministerial meeting of the BRICS group of countries with the newly added members took place in the Russian city of Nizhny Novgorod on 10 June 2024. The two-day (10 and 11 June 2024) meetings of the BRICS Ministers of Foreign Affairs/International Relations was hosted by Russia, as it is the current chairman of the BRICS.
- 11.** India secures the hosting rights for the 2025 FIH Hockey Men's Junior World Cup, marking the first time the tournament will feature 24 teams.