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## VOCABULARY

1. Furore: A sudden and widespread outbreak of anger or excitement.
  - Synonyms: Uproar, commotion, turmoil
  - Antonyms: Calm, peace, tranquility
  - Sentence: The furore over the new government policy led to protests across the city.
  
2. Triumph: A great victory or achievement.
  - Synonyms: Victory, conquest, success
  - Antonyms: Defeat, failure, loss
  - Sentence: The team's triumph in the final match was celebrated by fans across the country.
  
3. Complacence: A feeling of self-satisfaction, often while unaware of potential dangers or problems.
  - Synonyms: Smugness, self-satisfaction, contentment
  - Antonyms: Dissatisfaction
  - Sentence: Their complacence after achieving early success led to a decline in performance later.
  
4. Eradication: The complete destruction or elimination of something.
  - Synonyms: Extermination, removal, annihilation
  - Antonyms: Preservation, continuation, maintenance
  - Sentence: The eradication of smallpox is one of the greatest achievements in medical history.

5. Commensurate: Corresponding in size or degree; proportionate.
- Synonyms: Proportional, corresponding, equivalent
  - Antonyms: Disproportionate, unequal, inadequate
  - Sentence: The salary offered was not commensurate with the amount of work required.
6. Ominous: Giving the impression that something bad or unpleasant is going to happen.
- Synonyms: Threatening, foreboding, sinister
  - Antonyms: Promising, auspicious, encouraging
  - Sentence: The ominous dark clouds signaled an impending storm.
7. Averment: A confident and strong statement of fact or belief.
- Synonyms: Assertion, declaration, affirmation
  - Antonyms: Denial, contradiction, refutation
  - Sentence: His averment that the economy would improve proved to be correct.
8. Moderation: The avoidance of excess or extremes, especially in behavior or political views.
- Synonyms: Restraint, balance, temperance
  - Antonyms: Excess, extremism, overindulgence
  - Sentence: Moderation in economic policies can help prevent extreme inflation.

9. Pent-up: Repressed or held in check; not expressed or released.

- Synonyms: Suppressed, restrained, bottled up
- Antonyms: Released, expressed, unleashed
- Sentence: The pent-up demand from the pandemic helped spur economic growth last year.

10. Spur: To encourage or stimulate action or progress.

- Synonyms: Encourage, motivate, provoke
- Antonyms: Discourage, hinder, deter
- Sentence: The government's new policies are aimed at spurring private investment in the economy.

### **PHRASAL VERBS**

11. Rule out: To eliminate or exclude options from consideration.

12. Count on: To rely on or choose something or someone as a dependable option.

13. Point out: To highlight or select something for attention or decision-making.

14. Hold out for: To wait or choose something better, often refusing initial offers.

### **IDIOMS AND PHRASES**

15. At eleventh hour: last moment or almost late
16. Rain on someone's parade: to spoil someone's plans or joy
17. Talk a blue streak: to talk rapidly and without stopping
18. Thick in the head: someone is stupid or lacks the ability to absorb ideas easily
19. To be off base: not being in agreement with what is true

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## CURRENT AFFAIRS

24<sup>th</sup> October, 2024

1. India's fourth nuclear-powered ballistic missile submarine (SSBN), referred to as S4\*, was launched into water at the Ship Building Centre in Visakhapatnam last week, official sources confirmed.
  - This submarine is bigger and more capable than the first, INS Arihant (S2), which is essentially a technology demonstrator developed under the Advanced Technology Vessel programme.
  - The S4\* was launched into water on October 16 at SBC, multiple sources confirmed. It has significant indigenous content, with Indian industry being extensively involved, according to a source.
2. The 16th BRICS Summit was held in Kazan, Russia, from October 22 to 24, 2024, with leaders from Brazil, Russia, India, China, and South Africa in attendance. The summit also welcomed new members: Egypt, Ethiopia, Iran, and the United Arab Emirates.
  - Key discussions centered on economic cooperation, trade in national currencies, sustainable development, and digital inclusion. Prime Minister Narendra Modi reaffirmed India's commitment to these goals and explored enhancing bilateral ties. Leaders also addressed global economic challenges, climate change, and innovation, emphasizing collaboration among emerging economies.

3. Odisha is set to host the 18th Pravasi Bharatiya Divas from January 8th to 10th next year in its capital city, Bhubaneswar. The event, which celebrates the contributions of the Indian diaspora, will take place at Janata Maidan.

- Event : 18th Pravasi Bharatiya Divas (PBD)
- Dates : January 8 to 10, 2025
- Location : Janata Maidan, Bhubaneswar, Odisha
- Approval : Proposal approved by Odisha Chief Minister Mohan Charan Majhi after submission from the Union Ministry of External Affairs (MEA).

4. Luong Cuong, a senior member of the Communist Party of Vietnam (CPV), has been elected as Vietnam's new President during the 8th session of the 15th National Assembly (NA). Cuong, who is a permanent member of the CPV Central Committee Secretariat, was elected by 440 deputies, representing 91.67% of the total.

- He replaces To Lam, who had also held the role of general secretary of the Communist Party. Although the presidency is primarily ceremonial in Vietnam, Cuong pledged to fulfill his responsibilities to the party, state, and people after taking the oath.

5. Israel has become the newest non-regional member of the Asian Development Bank (ADB). The Manila-based lender announced the news on Friday, marking a major step for Israel in enhancing its global strategic ties and economic outreach. Israel officially joined the Asian Development Bank (ADB) as its 69th member and 20th nonregional member, after fulfilling all necessary membership requirements.
6. The European Space Agency has launched the Moonlight Programme to establish Europe's first satellite constellation for lunar telecommunication and navigation. This initiative, involving the UK and Italy, aims to enable autonomous lunar operations and reduce costs, supporting over 400 planned lunar missions and fostering a lunar economy.
7. India and Pakistan agreed to renew their agreement to operate the Kartarpur Corridor to facilitate pilgrims from India to visit the Kartarpur Sahib Gurudwara for another five years on Tuesday.
  - The renewal of the project, originally proposed during the tenure of former Pakistan Prime Minister Imran Khan as a Confidence Building Measure, has weathered the sharp downturn in relations between India and Pakistan.



8. United Nations Day, on 24 October, marks the anniversary of the entry into force in 1945 of the UN Charter. With the ratification of this founding document by the majority of its signatories, including the five permanent members of the Security Council, the United Nations officially came into being.
9. The 24th National Para-Swimming Championship concluded with Karnataka emerging as the overall champion, amassing an impressive 392 points. The competition saw a fierce battle for the top spots, with Maharashtra finishing a close second with 378 points, and Rajasthan securing third place.
10. Researchers have discovered a new snake species in the western Himalayas, named *Anguiculus dicaprio* in honor of Leonardo DiCaprio's environmental contributions. Found in Himachal Pradesh and other regions, the species lives at 6,000 feet and features unique physical traits. The discovery, published in *Scientific Reports*, underscores the need for ongoing research and conservation.