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## VOCABULARY

1. **Laudable:** Deserving praise and commendation.
  - Synonyms: Admirable, commendable, praiseworthy
  - Antonyms: Disgraceful, condemnable, blameworthy
  - Sentence: Her efforts to clean up the neighborhood were laudable and inspired others to join.
  
2. **Nuanced:** Characterized by subtle shades of meaning or expression.
  - Synonyms: Subtle, refined, detailed
  - Antonyms: Simple, straightforward, basic
  - Sentence: The debate was nuanced, with each side presenting complex arguments.
  
3. **Clairvoyant:** Having the ability to foresee events or understand things beyond the ordinary range of perception.
  - Synonyms: Prophetic, visionary, perceptive
  - Antonyms: Unaware, shortsighted, oblivious
  - Sentence: The leader's clairvoyant policies ensured the country was well-prepared for economic challenges.
  
4. **Unequivocally:** In a clear and unambiguous manner; without doubt.
  - Synonyms: Clearly, unmistakably, explicitly
  - Antonyms: Ambiguously, uncertainly, vaguely
  - Sentence: The report unequivocally stated the need for immediate environmental action.

5. Portend: To be a sign or warning that something, often significant or unpleasant, is likely to happen.
- Synonyms: Forewarn, foreshadow, predict
  - Antonyms: Conceal, hide, withhold
  - Sentence: Dark clouds on the horizon portend an approaching storm.
6. Sagacious: Showing keen mental discernment and good judgment; wise.
- Synonyms: Wise, insightful, judicious
  - Antonyms: Foolish, unwise, imprudent
  - Sentence: His sagacious decisions helped the company avoid several potential crises.
7. Exacerbate: To make a problem, situation, or negative feeling worse.
- Synonyms: Aggravate, worsen, intensify
  - Antonyms: Alleviate, relieve, ease
  - Sentence: Polluted air exacerbates respiratory conditions, especially in crowded cities.
8. Mitigate: To make something less severe, serious, or painful.
- Synonyms: Alleviate, reduce, ease
  - Antonyms: Aggravate, intensify, worsen
  - Sentence: The government introduced new policies to mitigate the effects of inflation.

9. Pegged: To fix or stabilize at a particular level or amount.
- Synonyms: Fix, stabilize, secure
  - Antonyms: Unsettle, vary, destabilize
  - Sentence: The exchange rate was pegged at a fixed level to control inflation.
10. Condemned: To express strong disapproval of something, especially for moral reasons.
- Synonyms: Criticize, denounce, censure
  - Antonyms: Praise, commend, approve
  - Sentence: The leader condemned the violence and called for peace.

### **PHRASAL VERBS**

11. Drop out: to leave school, a class, or an activity before finishing it
12. Fall apart: to break into pieces; to become emotionally upset
13. Work out: to exercise; to solve a problem
14. Account for: to explain or justify something

### IDIOMS AND PHRASES

15. Play your cards right: to do things in an intelligent and well-planned way
16. A night owl: someone who prefers to be awake and active at night
17. Get a grip: keep or recover one's self-control
18. Between a rock and a hard place: faced with two equally undesirable alternatives
19. A whole new ballgame: a completely different situation

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## **CURRENT AFFAIRS**

**2<sup>nd</sup> November, 2024**

### **1. NSE launches mobile app & websites in 8 additional languages:**

- The National Stock Exchange (NSE) has launched a mobile app as well as websites in eight additional languages to commemorate 30 years of operations.
- Trading in the equities market commenced on the NSE on 3rd November 1994.
- These languages include Assamese, Bengali, Kannada, Malayalam, Odia, Punjabi, Tamil, and Telugu, bringing the total number of languages supported by the NSE to twelve.

### **2. Punjab & Sind Bank launches e-Bank Guarantee facility:**

- Punjab & Sind Bank has collaborated with National e-Governance Services Ltd (NeSL) to introduce an e-Bank Guarantee (e-BG) facility.
- This new system replaces traditional paper-based BGs with e-stamping and e-signatures, enhancing security and transparency, thus saving time and reducing fraud.
- The initiative aims to improve ease of business for all parties involved.

### **3. Sebi proposes doubling threshold for 'High Value Debt Listed Entities' to Rs 1,000 cr:**

- SEBI has proposed raising the threshold for identifying High Value Debt Listed Entities (HVDLEs) to Rs 1,000 crore from Rs 500 crore at present to reduce compliance burdens.
- Currently, an entity having outstanding value of listed non-convertible debt securities of Rs 500 crore and above are referred to as 'High Value Debt Listed Entities'.
- Sebi has proposed introducing a sunset clause that would end governance obligations if an HVDLE's outstanding debt falls below the threshold for a specified period, providing more flexibility.

- It has suggested a dedicated chapter within LODR (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations focused solely on corporate governance norms for HVDLEs distinguishing them from equity-listed entities.

#### **4. India's forex reserves fall to \$684.8 billion, down \$3.4 billion**

- India's foreign exchange reserves dipped by \$3.4 billion to \$684.8 billion as of October 25, according to data shared by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI).
- For the previous week, India's foreign exchange reserves dipped by \$2.16 billion to \$688.26 billion as of October 18.
- The Weekly Statistical Supplement released by the RBI showed that the primary contributor to this decline was the drop in Foreign Currency Assets (FCAs), which fell by \$4.48 billion to \$593.75 billion.
- Meanwhile, Gold reserves surged by \$1 billion, bringing the total to \$68.5 billion.
- The Special Drawing Rights (SDRs) dipped by \$52 million, now totaling \$18.2 billion, while the reserve position in the International Monetary Fund (IMF) contracted by \$9 million, standing at \$4.3 billion.

#### **5. Govt to launch Digital India Common Service Center Project**

- The government is set to launch the Digital India Common Service Center (DICSC) project, starting with Pilibhit and Gorakhpur in Uttar Pradesh.
- Aim: To bridge the digital divide in rural India
- Under this initiative one model DICSC center will be established in nearly all gram panchayats across ten districts, totaling 4,740 centers nationwide.
- Budget: Over 31 crore rupees
- The project is set to run initially for six months, with the possibility of extending it to nine months.
- The primary goal is to create an integrated platform that provides essential e-governance services along with financial and commercial services to rural citizens.

- The Common Service Center in Pilibhit will offer a variety of services including Aadhaar registration, banking, financial planning, tele-law, telemedicine, education, and e-commerce support.
- 6. Paradip Port sets eyes on complete mechanisation by 2030**
- Paradip Port will develop three new berths, mechanise four existing ones, and establish one berth solely for green hydrogen.
  - These projects are part of the port's strategy to become fully mechanized by 2030.
  - This port aims to exceed 400 MTPA handling capacity, from presently 289 MTPA, by 2030.
  - The long-term target is to raise its capacity to 500 MTPA by 2047.
- 7. Indian Army contingent departs for 15th edition of India-US joint Exercise**
- The Indian Army contingent departed for the 15th edition of India-US joint Special Forces Exercise VAJRA PRAHAR.
  - Date: 2nd November 2024 - 22nd November 2024
  - Location: Orchard Combat Training Centre in Idaho, US
  - The last edition of the same exercise was conducted at Umroi, Meghalaya, in December 2023.
  - This will be the second exercise of the year between the Indian and the US Army.
  - The previous exercise, YUDH ABHYAS 2024, was conducted in Rajasthan in September 2024.
- 8. Indian Army contingent departs for 9th India-Indonesia joint exercise GARUD SHAKTI 24**
- The Indian Army contingent comprising 25 personnel departed for Jakarta, Indonesia to take part in the 9th edition of India-Indonesia Joint Special Forces Exercise GARUD SHAKTI 24.
  - The Exercise will be conducted from 1st to 12th of November 2024.
  - The Indian contingent is being represented by troops from The Parachute Regiment (Special Forces) and Indonesian contingent comprising 40 personnel is represented by Indonesian Special Forces Kopassus.



9. North Korea successfully tested new ballistic missile Hwasong-19
- North Korea has successfully test-fired the new Hwasong-19 intercontinental ballistic missile (ICBM).
  - The Hwasong-19 traversed 1,001.2 kilometers at a maximum altitude of 7,687.5 kilometers and flew for 86 minutes.
10. HM Amit Shah inaugurates Gujarat's largest waste to energy plant
- Union Home Minister Amit Shah inaugurated Gujarat's largest waste-to-energy plant at Piplaj in Ahmedabad City.
  - The plant has been established on a PPP model at a cost of 375 crore rupees.
  - The largest Waste-to-Energy Plant is a joint partnership between the Government of Gujarat and the Jindal Urban Waste Management Company.

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