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- 1) **Impeachment** = The act of charging/accusing a public official of a crime done while in office.
- 2) **Populism** = Populism is a political philosophy supporting the rights and power of the people in their struggle against a privileged elite.
- 3) **Sanctions** = Action taken or an order given to force a country to obey international laws by limiting or stopping trade with that country by not allowing economic aid for that country.
- 4) **Ballistic Missile** = A missile with a high, arching trajectory, which is initially powered and guided but falls under gravity on to its target.

- 5) **Operation all out** = Operation All-Out (OAO) is a joint offensive launched by Indian security forces in 2017 to flush out militants and terrorists in Kashmir until there is complete peace in the state.
- 6) **Post truth** = Relating to or denoting circumstances in which objective facts are less influential in shaping public opinion than appeals to emotion and personal belief.
- 7) **Master of the roster** = Roster (agenda) literally means a list or plan showing turns of duty for individuals or groups in an organization. ‘Master of the Roster’ refers to the privilege of CJI to constitute Benches to hear cases.

- 8) **Checks and balances** = A system that allows each branch of a government(the judiciary, the legislature and the executive) to amend or veto acts of another branch so as to prevent any one branch from exerting too much power.
- 9) **Yin and yang** = Two complementary principles of Chinese philosophy: Yin is negative, dark, and feminine, Yang is positive, bright, and masculine. Their interaction is thought to maintain the harmony of the universe and to influence everything within it.
- 10) **Grey list** = To hold (someone) in suspicion, without actually excluding him or her from a particular activity.

- 11) **Black list** = If someone is on a blacklist, they are seen by a government or other organizations as being one of a number of people who cannot be trusted or who have done something wrong.
- 12) **Springboard** = Something which provides support or motivation to do a particular plan of action.
- 13) **Plenary** = A meeting to be attended by all participants of a group at a conference.
- 14) **Feedstock** = The main raw material used in the manufacturing of a product.

- 15) **Electoral college** = (in the US) A body of people representing the states of the US, who formally cast votes for the election of the president and vice president.
- 16) **Rainbow coalition** = (especially in the US) A political alliance of several different groups, representing social, ethnic, and other minorities.
- 17) **Hedge fund** = An offshore investment fund, typically formed as a private limited partnership, that engages in speculation using credit or borrowed capital.

- 18) **Paper trail** = A series of documents providing written evidence of a sequence of events or the activities of a person or organization.
- 19) **Long tail** = (in retail and marketing) Used to refer to the large number of products that sell in small quantities, as contrasted with the small number of best-selling products.
- 20) **Hardline** = Relating to a group or people who support strict ideas.



- 1) **Last resort** = A final thing you decide to do when everything else has failed.
- 2) **Turn up the heat on** = To increase the intensity of any activity.
- 3) **On the cusp** = At the point in time that marks the beginning of something.
- 4) **Go/last the distance** = To manage to progress until the end.
- 5) **Hold someone in good stead** = Be helpful to, be advantageous to.
- 6) **At loggerheads** = In conflict with someone.
- 7) **Be hard put to** = To be struggling to do or accomplish something, especially because it seems impossible.

- 8) **Run the show** = To have autonomy or authority over something.
- 9) **At stake** = At risk to be won or lost.
- 10) **Scratch one's head** = Think hard in order to find a solution to something.
- 11) **Pull the plug** = To remove, turn off, or discontinue someone's life-support system, resulting in their death.
- 12) **Spread oneself thin** = To engage in too many tasks or responsibilities to do all of them properly.
- 13) **Under the shadow of** = Living with the constant fear, anxiety, or painful memory of something, given less attention or considered less notable.

- 14) **Not mince one's words** = Speak in a forceful and direct way.
- 15) **Put a seal on** = To definitively confirm, finalize, or conclude something.
- 16) **Carrot and stick policy** = A policy approach that offers both a reward and threat of punishment.
- 17) **In tandem** = Occurring or acting simultaneously or in conjunction.
- 18) **In the thick of something** = Very busy in several things.
- 19) **Beg the question** = To provoke a specific question.
- 20) **Set the stage for** = Prepare the circumstances for beginning of something.
- 21) **On the mark** = Right on the measurement point; showing just the right amount.

- 22) Have one's work/task cut out = Be dealt with a difficult task.
- 23) To the tune of = Costing a particular and considerable sum of money.
- 24) Part and parcel = Some essential or fundamental part or aspect.
- 25) Stay the course = Make effort till the end to accomplish the task.
- 26) Strike a balance = Find a reasonable line of action between two contrasting things.

- 1) **Get ahead** = To progress or advance in some aspects of life.
- 2) **Hold up** = To physically keep someone or something upright, to delay or slow someone.
- 3) **Shore up** = To support in the face of difficulty.
- 4) **Pan out** = End up, conclude.
- 5) **Swear in** = To administer an oath to someone as part of the official process of taking public office.
- 6) **Tone down** = To make something less intense or harsh.
- 7) **Lay out** = To scold someone severely, to spread something out.
- 8) **Keep up** = Progress at the same rate as someone or something else.

- 9) **Roll out** = Officially launch, introduce.
- 10) **Stand down** = To step down, particularly from the witness stand in a courtroom.
- 11) **Strike down** = Abolish, nullify especially a law or regulation.
- 12) **See through** = To support to complete something.
- 13) **Call off** = Cancel, abandon.
- 14) **Lag behind** = To move or happen at a slower pace than someone or something else.
- 15) **Smack of** = To give a strong indication or implication of something.

16) Usher in

= To introduce something.

17) Set off

= To start on a trip.

18) Taper off

= To weaken or diminish gradually.

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