

# The Hindu Vocabulary: 19.01.2024

### 1. LAG (VERB)

**Meaning:** A period of time between two related events; a delay or interval. (verb): To fall behind or fail to keep pace; to move slowly or with a delay.

**Synonym (noun):** Delay, gap, interval, pause.

**Antonym (noun):** Promptness, immediacy, acceleration.

**Synonym** (verb): Trail, fall behind, slow down, linger.

Antonym (verb): Accelerate, advance, catch up, lead.

**Example Sentences: (Noun)** There was a lag between the announcement and the actual implementation of the new policy.

The runner started to lag behind the pack as they approached the final stretch of the race.

## 2. INKLING (NOUN)

**Meaning:** A slight, vague, or faint idea or suspicion; a hint.

**Synonym:** Notion, suspicion, hint, suggestion.

**Antonym:** Certainty, clarity, assurance.

**Example Sentences:** She had an inkling that something special was planned for her birthday, but the details remained a mystery.

## 3. LITERACY (NOUN)

**Meaning:** The ability to read and write; competence or knowledge in a specific area.

**Synonym:** Reading and writing skills, education, learning.

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**Antonym:** Illiteracy, ignorance, inexperience.

**Example Sentences:** Promoting literacy is crucial for societal development, as it empowers individuals to access information and communicate effectively.

### 4. NUMERACY (NOUN)

**Meaning:** The ability to understand and work with numbers; mathematical competence.

**Synonym:** Mathematical proficiency, numerical literacy, quantitative skills.

**Antonym:** Innumeracy, mathematical illiteracy.

**Example Sentences:** Numeracy skills are essential in today's data-driven world, enabling individuals to make informed decisions.

### **5. LITIGATION (NOUN)**

**Meaning:** The process of taking legal action; the act or process of bringing a case before a court to be settled.

Synonym: Legal proceedings, legal action, lawsuit, legal dispute.

Antonym: Settlement, agreement, resolution, compromise.

**Example Sentences:** The ongoing litigation between the two companies has been a lengthy and complex legal battle.

## 6. STALLED (VERB)

**Meaning:** To come to a standstill; to stop making progress or moving forward.

**Synonym:** Halted, stopped, delayed, stuck.

**Antonym:** Progressing, advancing, moving, flowing.

**Example Sentences:** The construction project was stalled due to budgetary constraints.

### 7. VAGUE (Adjective)

**Meaning:** Lacking clear or definite details; not clearly or explicitly expressed or stated.

**Synonym:** Uncertain, ambiguous, unclear, indefinite.

**Antonym:** Clear, explicit, definite, precise.

**Example Sentences:** The instructions were so vague that many participants were unsure about what to do.

### 8. ARTEFACTS (NOUN)

**Meaning:** Objects made or modified by humans, typically of historical or cultural significance.

**Synonym:** Relics, objects, artifacts, antiquities.

Antonym: Natural elements, unmodified materials.

**Example Sentences:** The museum displayed a remarkable collection of ancient artefacts from various civilizations.

### 9. PURPORT (VERB & NOUN)

**Meaning:** To claim or profess, often insincerely or falsely; to signify or convey. (noun): The meaning or sense of something, often with an implied or suggested purpose.

**Synonym (verb):** Profess, claim, assert, declare.

**Antonym (verb):** Deny, disclaim, repudiate.

**Synonym (noun):** Meaning, significance, intent, purpose.

**Antonym (noun):** Ambiguity, vagueness, obscurity.

**Example Sentences: (Verb)** The politician was suspected of purporting to support the popular cause merely for electoral gain.

The purport of his message was to emphasize the importance of environmental conservation.

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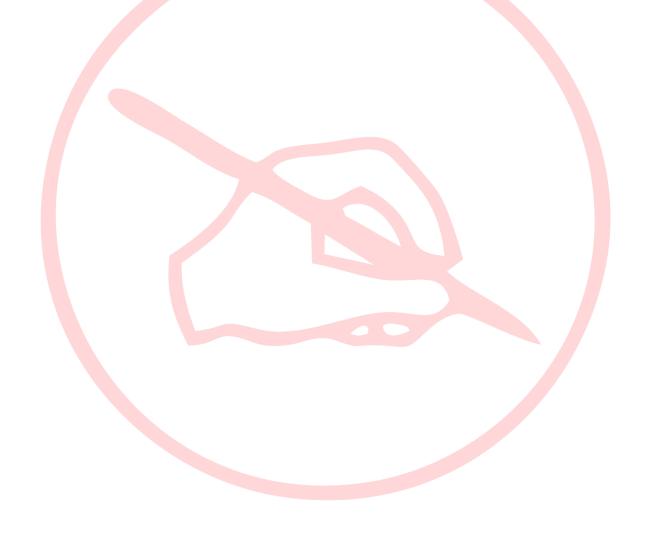
## **10. PROVENANCE (NOUN)**

**Meaning:** The place of origin or earliest known history of something; the history of ownership of a valued object or work of art.

**Synonym:** Origin, source, history, pedigree, derivation.

Antonym: Obscurity, ambiguity, unknown.

**Example Sentences:** The provenance of the ancient artifact was traced back to a remote village in Greece.



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