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Oil leak stops as sinking ship stabilises off Mumbai

Come to the dialogue table Mamata tells Maoists

Games: 'guilty will be punished'



THE HINDU VOCABULARY

Verdict (Noun) : निर्णय

Meaning: The decision that is made by a specially chosen group of people (the jury) in a court of law, which states if a person is guilty of a crime or not

Synonyms: Judgment , Decision

Antonyms: Allegation , Accusation

Sentence: The jury reached a guilty verdict.





THE HINDU VOCABULARY

Vested (Adj.) : निहित

Meaning: **Held completely, permanently, and inalienably. vested rights**

Sentence: **The celebrant vested himself in the sanctuary.**





THE HINDU VOCABULARY

Plenary (Adj.) : पूर्ण

complete

Meaning: (used about meetings, etc.) that should be attended by everyone who has the right to attend

Synonyms: Full, Complete, *Absolute*

Antonyms : Incomplete, Limited

Sentence: One of the speakers at the launch presented the important themes during the final plenary session.





THE HINDU VOCABULARY

Intent (Noun): **इरादा**

Intention
purpose

Meaning: **What somebody intends to do**

Synonyms: **Purpose , Objective**

Antonyms: **Flexible , Indefinite**

Sentence: **Her intent gaze was inquisitive, her eyebrows raised in a silent question.**





THE HINDU VOCABULARY

Regimes (Noun) : शासनोँ

rule / reign

Meaning: A method or system of government, especially one that has not been elected in a fair way

Synonyms: Reign , Administration

Antonyms: Anarchy

Sentence: The authorities moved him to the less rigid regime of an open prison.





THE HINDU VOCABULARY

Reciprocal
mutual

Reciprocity (Noun) : परस्पर का

Meaning: **The quality or state of being reciprocal : mutual dependence, action, or influence**

Synonyms: **Mutualism , Cooperation**

Sentence: **Various proposals on the part of Canada for a renewal of the reciprocity were not entertained.**





THE HINDU VOCABULARY

Defamation (Noun) : मानहानि

Meaning: **The act of communicating false statements about a person that injure the reputation of that person**

Synonyms: **Disparagement , Aspersion**

Antonyms: **Flattery , Praise**

Admire

Sentence: **The newspaper was sued for defamation after publishing lies about a celebrity.**

rumours





THE HINDU VOCABULARY

Flout (Verb): अवज्ञा करना

Meaning: To refuse to obey or accept something

Synonyms: Defy , Disregard

Antonyms: Approve , Compliment

Sentence: The orchestra decided to flout convention/tradition, and wear their everyday clothes for the concert.



TEST YOUR KNOWLEDGE





Find the correct one?

ANTONYM OF **EXACERBATE**



1. Aggravate
2. Intensify
3. Alleviate
4. Complicate

Meaning: Make (a problem, bad situation, or negative feeling) worse

Solution: Alleviate





Find the correct one?

SYNONYM OF EXTRAPOLATE

1. Derive
2. Dispirited
3. Relevant
4. Intrusive

Meaning: To guess or think about what might happen using information that is already known

Solution: Derive





Find the correct one?

SYNONYM OF **TWEAK**

1. **Modification**
2. Clean
3. Surrender
4. Trample

Meaning: To change something slightly, especially in order to make it more correct, effective, or suitable

Solution: Modification





Find the correct one?

ANTONYM OF **CONSTERNATION**



1. Dismay
2. Panic
3. Tension
4. **Tranquility**

Meaning: Feelings of anxiety or dismay, typically at something unexpected

Solution: **Tranquility**





Find the correct one?



ANTONYM OF **OVERSIGHT**

1. Accuracy ✓
 2. Mistake ✓
 3. Error ✓
 4. Blunder →
- Synonym*
Synonym

Meaning: An unintentional failure to notice or do something.

Solution: 1. Accuracy





Find the correct one?

SYNONYM OF **DILEMMA**

1. Problem
2. Flourish
3. Prosperous
4. Thrive

Meaning: A situation in which a difficult choice has to be made between two or more alternatives.

Solution: **Problem**





Find the correct one?

SYNONYM OF LEVITATION

1. Dip
2. Elevation
3. Drop
4. Descent

Meaning: A raising or a state of being raised to a higher rank or position

Solution: 2 Elevation





Find the correct one?



SYNONYM OF **BUNGLE**

1. Better
2. Improve
3. Fumble
4. Rectify

Meaning: Carry out (a task) clumsily or incompetently

Solution: **3. Fumble**





Find the correct one?

SYNONYM OF **INDUBITABLE**

1. Doubtful
2. Dubious
3. Iffy
4. Indisputable

Meaning: **Impossible to doubt; unquestionable.**

Solution: **Indisputable**





IDIOMS & PHRASES



A burning question

1. A dying issue
2. A relevant problem
3. An irrelevant problem
4. A widely debated issue

Solution: A widely debated issue





IDIOMS & PHRASES



On my nerves

1. Makes me sad
2. Irritates me
3. Makes me ill
4. Pierces my eardrum

Frustrate

Solution: Irritates me





IDIOMS & PHRASES



Turned the corner

1. Completely Recover
2. Become worse
3. Passed the crisis
4. Died

Solution: Passed the crisis





IDIOMS & PHRASES



High and dry

1. Abandoned ✓
2. Rejected
3. Wounded
4. Depressed

Solution: Abandoned





TODAY'S EDITORIAL TOPIC

Choosing the watchdog: On Election Commissioners appointment

The Supreme Court of India verdict on manner of choosing election panel is a boost to its independence

decision



The Supreme Court of India verdict taking away the power to appoint members of the Election Commission of India (ECI) from the sole domain of the executive is a major boost to the independence of the election watchdog. The Court has ruled that a three-member committee comprising the Prime Minister, the Leader of the Opposition in the Lok Sabha, or the leader of the single largest Opposition party, and the Chief Justice of India (CJI), will choose the Chief Election Commissioner (CEC) and Election Commissioners (EC) until a law is passed. As a constitutional body vested with plenary powers of superintendence, direction and control over elections, the ECI is a vital component of the republic that requires functional freedom and constitutional protection to ensure free and fair elections.





Intent
⇒ purpose

It has been the practice that the President appoints the CEC and ECs on the advice of the Prime Minister, but the Constitution Bench has pointed out that the original intent of the Constitution makers was that the manner of appointment should be laid down in a parliamentary law. Article 324 says the President should appoint the CEC and Commissioners, subject to any law made in that behalf by Parliament. However, successive regimes have failed to enact a law. Justice K.M. Joseph, who has authored the main verdict, has based the Court's decision on "the inertia" of the legislature and the perceived vacuum in the absence of a law.

Few would disagree with the Court's fundamental proposition that the election watchdog should be fiercely independent and not be beholden to the executive; and there should be no room for an appointing authority to expect reciprocity or loyalty.

judgement

mutualism





Editorial

CJI

The government's argument that the existing system was working well and there was no vacuum was quite weak, as, admittedly, the convention now is that the Prime Minister chooses a name from among a database of high-ranking civil servants and advises the President to make the appointment. However, a relevant question is whether the presence of the CJI in the selection panel is the only way in which an institution's independence can be preserved. There is no clear proof that the independence of the Central Bureau of Investigation Director, who is appointed by a panel that includes the CJI, or his nominee, has been preserved or enhanced. Further, the CJI's presence may give pre-emptive legitimacy to all appointments and affect objective judicial scrutiny of any error or infirmity in the process. On its part, the government will be well-advised to enact a law — but not one that seeks to preserve the current convention to get around the verdict — that is in tune with the spirit of the Court's emphasis on the ECI's independence.



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