

# The Hindu Editorial Vocabulary PDF – 8 April 2019

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## Erratic

*adjective*

**Definition:** not even or regular in pattern or movement; unpredictable.

**Example:** "her breathing was erratic"

**Synonyms:** unpredictable, inconsistent, changeable, variable, inconstant, uncertain, irregular,

## Crippled

*adjective*

**Definition:** (of a person) unable to walk or move properly; disabled.

**Example:** "a crippled old man"

## Fraught

*adjective*

**Definition:** (of a situation or course of action) filled with or likely to result in (something undesirable).

**Example:** "marketing any new product is fraught with danger"

**Synonyms:** full of, filled with, swarming with, rife with, thick with, bristling with, charged with,

## Apprehension

*noun*

**Definition:** anxiety or fear that something bad or unpleasant will happen.

**Example:** "he felt sick with apprehension"

**Synonyms:** anxiety, angst, alarm, worry, uneasiness, unease, nervousness, misgiving, disquiet,

**Definition:** understanding; grasp.

**Example:** "his first apprehension of such large issues"

**Synonyms:** understanding, grasp, comprehension, realization, recognition, appreciation,

## Back-burner

*verb*

**Definition:** postpone consideration of or action on.

**Example:** "a planned test of the new ale has been back-burnered"

## Resilience

*noun*

**Definition:** the capacity to recover quickly from difficulties; toughness.

**Example:** "the often remarkable resilience of so many British institutions"

## Sans

*preposition*

**Definition:** without.

**Example:** "a picture of Maughan sans specs"

## Accord

*verb*

**Definition:** give or grant someone (power, status, or recognition).

**Example:** "the powers accorded to the head of state"

**Synonyms:** give, grant, tender, present, award, hand, vouchsafe, concede, yield, cede

## Deadlock

*noun*

**Definition:** a situation, typically one involving opposing parties, in which no progress can be made.

**Example:** "an attempt to break the deadlock"

**Synonyms:** stalemate, impasse, checkmate, stand-off;

## Vehemently

*adverb*

**Definition:** in a forceful, passionate, or intense manner; with great feeling.

**Example:** "he vehemently denied any suggestion of improper conduct"

## Infuriate

*verb*

**Definition:** make (someone) extremely angry and impatient.

**Example:** "I was infuriated by your article"

**Synonyms:** enrage, incense, anger, madden, inflame

## Malice

*noun*

**Definition:** the desire to harm someone; ill will.

**Example:** "I bear no malice towards anybody"

**Synonyms:** spitefulness, spite, malevolence, maliciousness, animosity, hostility, ill will, ill feeling,

## Misgiving

*noun*

**Definition:** a feeling of doubt or apprehension about the outcome or consequences of something.

**Example:** "we have misgivings about the way the campaign is being run"

**Synonyms:** qualm, doubt, reservation, scruple;

## Vitiate

*verb*

**Definition:** spoil or impair the quality or efficiency of.

**Example:** "development programmes have been vitiated by the rise in population"

**Definition:** destroy or impair the legal validity of.

**Example:** "the insurance is vitiated because of foolish acts on the part of the tenant"

## Averment

*noun*

**Definition:** an affirmation or allegation.

## Aspersions

*noun*

**Definition:** an attack on the reputation or integrity of someone or something.

**Example:** "I don't think anyone is casting aspersions on you"

**Synonyms:** vilification, disparagement, denigration, defamation, defamation of character, abuse

## Proactive

*adjective*

**Definition:** (of a person or action) creating or controlling a situation rather than just responding to it after it has happened.

**Example:** "employers must take a proactive approach to equal pay"

**Synonyms:** enterprising, take-charge, energetic, driven, bold, dynamic, motivated

## Trajectory

*noun*

**Definition:** the path followed by a projectile flying or an object moving under the action of given forces.

**Example:** "the missile's trajectory was preset"

**Synonyms:** course, route, path, track, line, orbit, flight, flight path,

## **Rout**

*verb*

**Definition:** defeat and cause to retreat in disorder.

**Example:** "in a matter of minutes the attackers were routed"

**Synonyms:** put to flight, put to rout, drive off, dispel, scatter

## **Robustness**

*noun*

**Definition:** the quality or condition of being strong and in good condition.

**Example:** "the overall robustness of national and international financial systems"

## **Dovish**

*adjective*

**Definition:** supporting discussion or other peaceful solutions in political relationships rather than the use of force.

**Example:** He is a dovish politician who was one of the signers of a model peace treaty.