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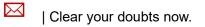
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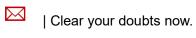
Environment

Concepts		Official Definition	Layman Explanation
Anthropocene		A proposed geological epoch that	A new time period in Earth's
		begins when human activities started to	history marked by significant
		have a significant global impact on	human impact on the planet.
		Earth's geology and ecosystems.	
Green Hydrogen		Hydrogen produced using renewable	Hydrogen made with clean energy
		energy sources, typically for use as a	that can be used as a fuel or in
		fuel or industrial input.	factories.
Tree Planting Scheme	es	Programs or initiatives aimed at	Projects designed to plant trees to
		planting trees to combat deforestation,	improve the environment and fight
		improve air quality, and combat climate	climate change.
		change.	
Five-Year Climate Age	enda	A plan or set of goals established for a	A five-year plan to tackle climate
		five-year period to address climate	change and promote sustainable
		change and promote sustainability.	practices.
Green Hydrogen Corr	ridor	A dedicated route for the production,	A specific area where green
		transportation, and use of green	hydrogen is produced and
		hydrogen.	transported for use as clean
			energy.



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Marine Spatial Planning	A process that guides where and when	Planning how the ocean is used to
(MSP)	human activities occur in the ocean to	balance activities like fishing and
	reduce conflicts and environmental	shipping with environmental
	impacts.	protection.
Extended Producer	A policy approach where producers are	A rule that makes companies
Responsibility (EPR) for	responsible for the entire lifecycle of	responsible for recycling or
Plastics	their plastic products, including disposal	disposing of the plastic products
	and recycling.	they make.
Climate Finance Gap	The shortfall between the funds needed	The difference between how much
	to address climate change and the	money is needed to fight climate
	amount currently being invested.	change and how much is actually
		being spent.
Blue Carbon Ecosystems	Coastal and marine ecosystems that	Ocean and coastal areas that
	store carbon, such as mangroves,	capture and store carbon dioxide,
	seagrasses, and salt marshes.	helping to fight climate change.
Hydropower Development	The effects of building and operating	How building dams for electricity
and Environmental Impact	hydropower plants on ecosystems,	affects the environment and
	water quality, and local communities.	nearby communities.
Marine Protected Areas	Regions of seas and oceans where	Ocean areas where fishing, drilling,
(MPAs)	human activities are regulated to	and other activities are limited to
(protect marine ecosystems.	protect marine life.
Geoengineering	The deliberate large-scale intervention	Using technology to change the
Coconginooning	in the Earth's natural systems to	Earth's climate and reduce global
	counteract climate change.	warming.
Carbon Offsetting and	A global market-based measure to	A program that makes airlines pay
Reduction Scheme for	offset carbon emissions from	for the carbon dioxide they emit by
International Aviation	international flights.	funding projects that reduce
(CORSIA)	international hights.	emissions elsewhere.
Renewable Energy	Market-based instruments that	Certificates that prove energy was
Certificates (RECs)	represent the property rights to the	produced from renewable sources,
Certificates (RECS)	environmental benefits of renewable	which can be bought and sold.
		which can be bought and sold.
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Decarbonization Pathways	Strategies and actions taken to reduce	Plans and actions aimed at cutting
	carbon emissions across various	carbon emissions to fight climate
	sectors.	change.
Geoengineering	The deliberate large-scale intervention	Using technology to change the
	in the Earth's natural systems to	Earth's climate and reduce global
	counteract climate change.	warming.
Carbon Sequestration	The process of capturing and storing	Capturing and storing carbon
	atmospheric carbon dioxide to mitigate	dioxide to reduce the amount in the
	climate change.	atmosphere.



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Environmental DNA (eDNA)	Genetic material obtained from	Collecting DNA from the
	environmental samples like soil, water,	environment to study and monitor
	or air, used to detect and monitor	different species.
	biodiversity.	
Carbon Nanotubes	Cylindrical molecules made of carbon	Tiny, super-strong tubes made of
	atoms with extraordinary strength,	carbon that can conduct electricity
	electrical conductivity, and thermal	and heat very well.
	properties.	

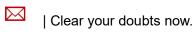


Science and Technology

Concepts	Official Definition	Layman Explanation
Superconductivity	A phenomenon where a material can conduct	When certain materials can
	electricity without resistance, usually at very	carry electricity without losing
	low temperatures.	an <mark>y ene</mark> rgy, typically at very
		cold temperatures.
Biosignatures	Indicators that provide scientific evidence of	Signs that suggest there might
	past or present life, typically in the context of	be or might have been life,
	astrobiology.	often looked for on other
		planets.
Quantum Supremacy	The point at which a quantum computer can	When a quantum computer
	perform a calculation that is beyond the	can solve problems that
	capabilities of any classical computer.	traditional computers can't.
Monoclonal Antibodies	Antibodies produced from a single clone of	Special antibodies made in
	cells, used for specific targeting in medical	labs that can target specific
	treatments.	diseases or conditions in the
		body.
Indigenous	The development of technology within a	Creating and improving
Technological	country using local resources and expertise.	technology using a country's
Development		own resources and knowledge.
HPV Vaccine	A vaccine that protects against infections by	A vaccine that prevents
	human papillomavirus, which can lead to	infections that can cause
	cervical cancer and other diseases.	cervical cancer and other
		illnesses.



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ANRF Plan (Advanced	A strategic plan focused on advanced research	A detailed plan for advanced
Nutritional Research	in nutrition to improve public health outcomes.	research in nutrition to
Framework)		enhance public health.
Gene Drive Technology	A genetic engineering technology that can	A technique that makes certain
	increase the chance of a specific gene being	traits more likely to be inherited
	passed on to the next generation.	by future generations.
Antimicrobial	The ability of microbes to resist the effects of	When germs become resistant
Resistance (AMR)	drugs that once killed them.	to the medicines that used to
		kill them.
Synthetic Biology	An interdisciplinary branch of biology and	Creating new biological
	engineering that designs and constructs new	systems or organisms using
	biological parts, devices, and systems.	engineering techniques.
Genome Sequencing for	The process of decoding the genetic material of	Reading the genetic code of
Pandemic Preparedness	pathogens to better understand and control	viruses to prepare for and
	outbreaks.	respond to pandemics.
Cybersecurity Mesh	A modern security approach that enables the	A flexible cybersecurity model
	security perimeter to be defined around the	that protects data and systems
	identity of a person or thing.	by focusing on identity and
		access.
Digital Public Goods	Open-source software, data, AI models, and	Free digital tools and
	standards that are freely available to improve	resources available to
	digital infrastructure.	everyone for improving online
		services.
End-to-End Encryption	A method of secure communication that	A way to keep messages or
	prevents third parties from accessing data while	data private so that only the
	it's transferred from one end system to another.	sender and receiver can read
		it.
Technological	The ability of a state to have control over the	A country's control over its own
Sovereignty	technology and infrastructure it uses, ensuring	technology to ensure
	security and autonomy.	independence and security.
Gaganyaan Mission	India's first human spaceflight mission, aiming	India's mission to send
	to send Indian astronauts into space.	astronauts into space for the
		first time.
Quantum Key	A secure communication method that uses	A way to send secure
Distribution (QKD)	quantum mechanics to encrypt messages and	messages using quantum
	protect them from eavesdropping.	physics, making it almost
		impossible to hack.
Precision Medicine	A medical model that proposes the	Tailoring medical treatment to
	customization of healthcare, with medical	the individual characteristics of
	decisions, treatments, practices, or products	each patient.
	being tailored to the individual patient.	



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Blockchain in Public	The use of blockchain technology to enhance	Using blockchain to make
Procurement	transparency and reduce corruption in public	government purchases more
	procurement processes.	transparent and less corrupt.
Deepfakes and	The use of AI-generated fake images, videos,	Creating fake videos or audio
Information Warfare	or audio to deceive and manipulate public	that look real to spread false
	opinion.	information or propaganda.
Smart Cities Mission	An initiative by the Indian government to	A program to make Indian
	promote cities that provide core infrastructure,	cities smarter, more efficient,
	a clean and sustainable environment, and a	and better places to live using
	decent quality of life for citizens through the	technology.
	application of smart solutions.	
Digital Twin Technology	A digital replica of a physical entity, such as a	A virtual model of a physical
	machine or system, used for analysis and	object that helps in monitoring
	optimization.	and improving performance.
Cryptographic Agility	The ability of a cryptographic system to quickly	The capability to easily change
	switch to new algorithms as older ones become	encryption methods to keep
	insecure.	data safe from new threats.
Cyber Physical Systems	Integrations of computation, networking, and	Systems that combine
(CPS)	physical processes.	computer technology with
		ph <mark>ysica</mark> l machinery to improve
		performance and efficiency.
Pandemic Preparedness	A set of guidelines and actions to prepare for	A plan to be ready for and deal
and Response (PPR)	and respond to pandemic outbreaks effectively.	with pandemic diseases like
Framework		COVID-19.
Artificial Intelligence in	The use of AI technologies to enhance	Using AI to improve how
Governance	decision-making, efficiency, and transparency	governments make decisions
	in government operations.	and manage public services.
Artificial Intelligence	The branch of ethics that focuses on the moral	Understanding and addressing
Ethics	implications and societal impacts of AI	the moral issues related to the
	technologies.	use of AI.
Quantum Supremacy	The point at which a quantum computer can	When a quantum computer
	perform a calculation that is beyond the	can solve problems that
	capabilities of any classical computer.	traditional computers can't.
Gene Editing	Techniques like CRISPR that allow scientists to	Tools that let scientists change
Technology	alter the DNA of organisms with high precision.	the genes of plants, animals, or
		humans very accurately.
Antimicrobial	The ability of microbes to resist the effects of	When germs become resistant
Resistance (AMR)	drugs that once killed them, making infections	to the medicines that used to
	harder to treat.	kill them.
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Cryptographic Agility	The ability of a cryptographic system to quickly	The ability to change
	switch to new algorithms as older ones become	encryption methods easily to
	insecure.	keep data safe from new
		threats.
Cyber Resilience	The ability of an organization to prepare for,	How well a company or system
	respond to, and recover from cyber attacks.	can handle and bounce back
		from cyber attacks.
Neurotechnology	Technologies that interact with the nervous	Tools and devices that can
	system to monitor or influence brain activity.	read or affect brain activity.
Digital Twin Ecosyster	ns Virtual models of physical systems that are	Creating digital copies of real-
	used for analysis, simulation, and optimization.	world systems to study and
Synthetic Biology	The design and construction of new historical	improve them.
Synthetic Biology	The design and construction of new biological	Creating new biological
	parts, devices, and systems not found in	systems or organisms using
Artificial Dhataourtha	nature.	engineering techniques.
Artificial Photosynthes		Creating energy from sunlight,
	photosynthesis to produce energy from	water, and carbon dioxide, just
0	sunlight, water, and carbon dioxide.	like plants do.
Space Traffic	The coordination of satellite movements to	Managing the movement of
Management	prevent collisions in space.	satellites to avoid crashes in
Precision Oncology	An approach to concer treatment that tailors	space.
Precision Oncology	An approach to cancer treatment that tailors therapies based on the genetic profile of the	Personalizing cancer treatment
		based on the specific genetics
	patient's tumor.	of a patient's tumor. Using quantum technology to
Quantum Cryptograph	y The use of quantum mechanics to encrypt data, ensuring secure communication that cannot be	create unbreakable codes for
	easily hacked.	secure communication.
Cyber Physical System		
Cyber-Physical System		Securing systems that combine
Security	physical processes with computation and	computers with physical
	networking, like smart grids or autonomous vehicles.	machines, like smart cars or power grids.
Bioinformatics		
Bioimormatics	The application of computational tools to	Using computers to analyze
	collect, analyze, and interpret biological data, especially genetic information.	and understand biological data, especially DNA.
Nuclear Fusion	A form of energy generation where atomic	Creating energy by fusing
Technology	nuclei are fused together to release energy,	atoms together, like the
	similar to the process powering the sun.	process that powers the sun.
Metamaterials	Engineered materials designed to have	Specially designed materials
	properties not found in naturally occurring	with unique properties for
	substances, often used to control light or	controlling light, sound, or
	substances, often used to control light of sound.	other waves.
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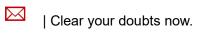


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Economy

Concepts	Official Definition	Easy Explanation
GDP Growth Rate	The annual percentage increase in the value	How much the economy has grown
	of all goods and services produced in an	in a year.
	economy.	
Inflation	The rate at which the general level of prices	How much prices for things like
	for goods and services is rising, leading to a	food and clothes are increasing.
	decrease in purchasing power.	
Fiscal Deficit	The difference when a government's total	When the government spends
	expenditures exceed the revenue that it	more money than it earns.
	generates, excluding money from borrowings.	
Current Account	When a country's total imports of goods,	When a country buys more from
Deficit	services, and transfers exceed its total	other countries than it sells to
	exports.	them.
Public Debt	The total amount of money that a government	The money a government has
	owes to creditors.	borrowed and needs to repay.
Economic Reforms	Changes implemented to improve economic	Changes made to make the
	efficiency, productivity, and competitiveness.	economy work better and grow
		faster.
IPO Calendar	A schedule of upcoming Initial Public	A list of dates when companies will
	Offerings, where companies offer shares to	start selling their shares to the
	the public for the first time.	public.
IT Sector	The salary and benefits offered to employees	The pay and perks given to people
Employment	in the Information Technology sector.	working in the tech industry.
Packages		
Stock Market Indices	Benchmarks that measure the performance of	Measures that show how the stock
(Sensex, Nifty)	a group of stocks representing the market or a	market or a part of it is performing.
	sector.	
Options Trading	The fundamentals of buying and selling	Basic knowledge about trading
Basics	options, which are contracts giving the right to	contracts that allow you to buy or
	buy or sell assets at a future date.	sell assets later.

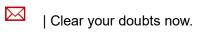
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Digital Euro	A digital version of the Euro currency issued	A digital form of money used in the
	by the European Central Bank.	Eurozone, managed by the central
		bank.
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Extended Producer	A policy approach where producers are given	A rule that makes companies
Responsibility (EPR)	a significant responsibility for the treatment or	responsible for recycling or
	disposal of post-consumer products.	disposing of their products.
Digital Payment	Companies that aggregate and process	Companies that manage different
Aggregators	various types of payment methods for	payment methods for businesses.
	merchants.	
Carbon Capture and	Technologies that capture carbon dioxide	Capturing carbon emissions and
Utilization (CCU)	emissions from industrial processes and use it	turning them into useful products.
	to create products.	
Brogision Agriculture	A forming management concept that uses data	Licing toobpology to form more
Precision Agriculture	A farming management concept that uses data	Using technology to farm more
	to ensure that crops and soil receive exactly	efficiently and effectively.
	what they need for optimum health and	
	productivity.	
Multilateral	Changes proposed or implemented in the	Changes in how international
Development Banks	structure and functioning of international	banks work to better support global
(MDBs) Reform	financial institutions that provide financial	development.
	support for development.	
Decentralized	A financial system built on blockchain	A new financial system that uses
Finance (DeFi)	technology that operates without traditional	blockchain to replace banks and
	banks.	middlemen.
Electoral Bonds	Financial instruments used in India to make	A method for donating money to
	donations to political parties anonymously.	political parties without revealing
		your identity.
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India's National	A policy aimed at improving India's logistics	A plan to make transportation and
Logistics Policy	sector by reducing costs and improving	supply chains in India more
	efficiency.	efficient and cost-effective.
Digital Currency	The ability of different digital currencies and	How easily different digital
Interoperability	systems to work together seamlessly.	currencies can be used together.
Global Minimum	A worldwide agreement to set a minimum tax	A global rule to ensure companies
Corporate Tax	rate on corporate profits to prevent tax	pay a minimum amount of tax no
	evasion.	matter where they are based.



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Geoeconomics	The study of the economic policies and trends that influence global power dynamics.	How economic policies and decisions affect global power and
		relations between countries.
Debt-for-Nature	A financial transaction in which a portion of a	A deal where a country reduces its
Swaps	developing country's foreign debt is forgiven in	debt by agreeing to protect the environment.
	exchange for local investments in environmental conservation.	
Circular Economy in	An economic system aimed at eliminating	A system where products and
Waste Management	waste and the continual use of resources	materials are reused and recycled
	through recycling and reuse.	instead of thrown away.
Multilateral Export	International agreements that restrict the	Global rules that control the export
Control Regimes	export of certain goods and technologies to	of products and technology to
	prevent their use in weapons development.	prevent them from being used for making weapons.
Green Bonds and	Bonds specifically issued to fund projects that	A type of investment used to raise
Climate Bonds	have positive environmental and climate	money for projects that help the
	benefits.	environment.
Carbon Border	A policy that imposes a carbon tax on imports	A tax on imports to ensure
Adjustment	to prevent businesses from moving production	companies don't move to countries
Mechanism (CBAM)	to countries with looser environmental	with weak environmental rules just
	regulations.	to avoid costs.
Strategic Petroleum	Emergency reserves of crude oil stored by	A backup supply of oil kept by
Reserves	governments to be used during major	governments for use during
	disruptions in oil supply.	emergencies.
Digital Payment	Measures taken to protect digital transactions	Ways to keep online payments
Security	and payment information from fraud and theft.	safe from hackers and fraudsters.
Cryptocurrency	Laws and guidelines governing the use,	Rules that control how digital
Regulations	trading, and mining of cryptocurrencies.	currencies like Bitcoin are used and traded.
Inclusive Growth and	Economic growth that is distributed fairly	Economic progress that benefits
Development	across society and creates opportunities for	everyone, not just the wealthy or
	all.	powerful.
Energy Transition	Financing mechanisms that support the shift	Funding that helps countries and
Finance	from fossil fuels to renewable energy sources.	companies move from using fossil fuels to renewable energy.

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Sovereign Debt	The process of negotiating new terms for a	Changing the terms of a country's
Restructuring	country's debt to make it more manageable for	debt to make it easier to pay back.
	the debtor country.	
Stagflation	An economic condition characterized by slow	When the economy is stagnant,
	growth, high unemployment, and rising	unemployment is high, and prices
	inflation.	keep rising.
Yield Curve Inversion	A situation where short-term interest rates	When borrowing money for a short
	exceed long-term rates, often seen as a	time costs more than borrowing for
	predictor of recession.	a long time, signaling possible
		economic trouble.
Debt Monetization	The process by which a government finances	When the government pays off its
	its debt by printing more money, often leading	debt by creating more money,
	to inflation.	which can cause prices to rise.
Credit Default Swaps	Financial derivatives that function like	A financial tool that lets investors
(CDS)	insurance contracts, allowing investors to	protect themselves from the risk of
	hedge against the risk of default on debt.	a borrower not repaying a loan.
Inflation Targeting	A monetary policy strategy where a central	A policy where the central bank
	bank sets a specific inflation rate as its goal. aims to keep inflation at a	
		level.
Monetary	The process by which monetary policy	How changes in interest rates by
Transmission	decisions affect the economy, particularly	the central bank influence the
Mechanism	inflation and output.	economy.
Special Drawing	An international reserve asset created by the	A type of international money
Rights (SDRs)	IMF to supplement its member countries'	created by the IMF that countries
	official reserves.	can use to support their reserves.
Helicopter Money	A form of monetary policy where central banks	When the central bank gives out
	print money and distribute it directly to the	free money to people to boost the
	public to stimulate the economy.	economy.
Shadow Banking	A system of non-bank financial intermediaries	Financial activities similar to
	that provide services similar to traditional	traditional banking but carried out
	banks but operate outside regular banking	by institutions that aren't regulated
	regulations.	like banks.
		When low interest rates fail to
Liquidity Trap	A situation in which monetary policy becomes	
Liquidity Trap	A situation in which monetary policy becomes ineffective because interest rates are already	encourage borrowing and
Liquidity Trap		





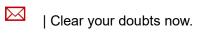


International Relations

Concepts	Official Definition	Layman Explanation
Stochastic Terrorism	The use of mass communication to incite	Encouraging random acts of
	random acts of ideologically motivated violence.	violence through media and
		communication.
Rare Earth Elements	International negotiations and strategies	International talks and strategies
(REE) Diplomacy	focused on the trade and supply of rare earth	around trading rare earth minerals
	elements, critical for many technologies.	that are vital for technology.
Cyber Espionage	The use of computer networks to gain illicit	Spying on other countries or
	access to confidential information, typically for	organizations by hacking into their
	political or military purposes.	computer systems.
Transnational Crime	Criminal organizations that operate across	Criminal groups that work across
Networks	national borders, engaging in illegal activities	different countries, involved in
	like drug trafficking and human smuggling.	crimes like smuggling and
		trafficking.
Critical Minerals	A plan or policy to secure and manage access	A plan to ensure a steady supply
Strategy	to minerals essential for economic and national	of important minerals needed for
	security.	national security and the
		economy.
Collective Security	An intergovernmental military alliance of former	A military alliance between several
Treaty Organization	Soviet states, focused on mutual defense.	countries for mutual protection.
(CSTO)		
Tactical Ballistic	Short-range missiles designed for battlefield	Powerful short-range missiles
Missiles	use with high precision and destructive power.	used in military operations.
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Geoeconomics		How economic policies and
	that influence global power dynamics.	decisions affect global power and
		relations between countries.
Multilateral Export	International agreements that restrict the export	Global rules that control the export
Control Regimes	of certain goods and technologies to prevent	of products and technology to
	their use in weapons development.	prevent them from being used for
		making weapons.
Indo-Pacific Strategy	A geopolitical framework that emphasizes the	A plan focusing on the importance
	importance of the Indo-Pacific region in global	of the Indo-Pacific region for
	security and economic stability.	global peace and economic
		growth.



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Nuclear Non-	Issues and obstacles facing the international	Problems and difficulties with the
Proliferation Treaty	treaty aimed at preventing the spread of nuclear	treaty that aims to stop the spread
(NPT) Challenges	weapons.	of nuclear weapons.
Subnational	The practice of cities, states, and regions	Local governments (like cities or
Diplomacy	engaging in international relations	states) working with other
	independently of their national governments.	countries directly, without involving
		their national governments.
Sovereign Debt	The process of negotiating new terms for a	Changing the terms of a country's
Restructuring	country's debt to make it more manageable for	debt to make it easier to pay back.
	the debtor country.	
Geoeconomics	The study of the economic policies and trends	How economic policies and
	that influence global power dynamics.	decisions affect global power and
		relations between countries.
Strategic Autonomy	The ability of a state to pursue its national	A country's ability to make its own
	interests and adopt its preferred foreign policy	decisions and policies without
	without being constrained by other states.	outside interference.
Debt-Trap Diplomacy	A strategy used by creditor countries to provide	Lending money to a country with
	large loans to smaller nations, often with the	the intention of gaining control
	intention of gaining political or economic	when they can't pay it back.
	leverage if the smaller nations fail to repay the	
	debt.	
Multipolarity	A global power structure where multiple	A world where power is shared
	countries have significant influence, as opposed	among several major countries,
	to dominance by one or two superpowers.	rather than dominated by one or
		two.
Non-Alignment 2.0	A modern iteration of India's historical policy of	India's updated approach to
	non-alignment, emphasizing strategic autonomy	staying independent while
	while engaging with multiple global powers.	engaging with multiple powerful
		countries.
Global South	A term used to describe developing countries,	Developing countries, typically in
	mostly in Africa, Latin America, Asia, and	the southern hemisphere, that are
	Oceania, which are less economically	less economically advanced.
	developed than the Global North.	
Hybrid Warfare	A strategy that blends conventional warfare,	A type of conflict that mixes
	irregular warfare, and cyber warfare, including	traditional military force with cyber
	the use of propaganda and other non-military	attacks and propaganda.
	tactics.	
Soft Power	The ability of a country to influence others	A country's power to attract and
Projection	through cultural or ideological means rather	persuade others using culture and
	than military force.	ideas instead of military strength.



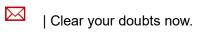
Polity

Concepts	Official Definition	Layman Explanation
Digital	The study and application of legal principles	How laws are applied and
Jurisprudence	and laws in the context of digital environments	interpreted in the digital world.
	and cyberspace.	
Intergenerational	A principle in public policy that ensures fairness	Ensuring fair treatment and
Equity	and justice between different generations.	opportunities for people of all ages,
		both now and in the future.
Fiscal Devolution	The transfer of financial powers and	Shifting financial control from the
	responsibilities from the central government to	central government to local and
	regional and local governments.	state governments.
National Security	A document outlining a country's plan to protect	A country's plan for keeping itself
Strategy	and promote its national security interests.	safe and secure.
Cross-Border	A situation where a debtor's assets and	Handling bankruptcy cases that
Insolvency	liabilities are located in more than one country,	involve assets in multiple countries.
,	requiring international cooperation to resolve.	
Geospatial Data	A policy that governs the collection, use, and	Rules about how location-based
Policy	sharing of geospatial data.	data is collected, used, and shared.
Cross-Border Data	The transfer of digital information across	Sending and receiving data like
Flows	national borders.	emails, files, and other digital
		information between countries.
Data Localization	Laws that require companies to store and	Rules that make companies keep
Requirements	process data within a specific country's borders.	data within the country where it was
		collected.
Monetary Policy	The process of moving from an accommodative	Returning to normal interest rates
Normalization	monetary policy (low interest rates) to a more	and financial policies after a period
	neutral or restrictive stance.	of low rates to boost the economy.
Judicial Review	The power of courts to assess whether a law,	The court's ability to decide if laws
	policy, or executive action is in accordance with	or actions by the government are
	the Constitution.	constitutional.
Basic Structure	A judicial principle that certain fundamental	The idea that some parts of the
Doctrine	features of the Constitution cannot be altered by	Constitution are so important they
	amendments.	can't be changed.



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Cooperative	A concept where national, state, and local	A system where different levels of
Federalism	governments interact cooperatively and	government work together to
	collectively to solve common problems.	address issues.
Electoral Bonds	Financial instruments used in India to make	A method for donating money to
	donations to political parties anonymously.	political parties without revealing
		your identity.
Ordinance-making	The power of the President or a state Governor	The authority to issue temporary
Power	to promulgate ordinances when the legislature	laws when the parliament or state
	is not in session.	assembly is not meeting.
Quasi-Federalism	A system of government that has features of	A government system that mixes
	both federal and unitary systems, where power	elements of federalism and
	is divided between central and regional	centralization, where the central
	authorities but with a bias towards	government has more power.
	centralization.	
Constitutional	The adherence to the core values of the	Following the spirit and principles of
Morality	Constitution, including justice, liberty, equality,	the Constitution in law-making and
	and fraternity.	governance.
Data Protection Bill	Legislation aimed at protecting the privacy of	A proposed law to protect personal
	individuals by regulating the processing of	data and privacy.
	personal data.	
Habeas Corpus	A legal writ requiring a person under arrest to	A legal order that makes sure
	be brought before a judge or into court,	someone who is arrested is brought
	ensuring that a person's detention is lawful.	to court to check if their detention is
		legal.
Contempt of Court	The offense of being disobedient or	The act of showing disrespect or
	disrespectful towards a court of law and its	disobeying a court's orders.
	officers.	
Uniform Civil Code	A proposal to replace personal laws based on	A law that would apply the same set
(UCC)	the scriptures and customs of each major	of rules to all citizens, regardless of
	religious community in India with a common set	their religion.
	governing all citizens.	
Public Interest	Legal actions initiated in a court of law for the	A legal process where anyone can
Litigation (PIL)	protection of public interest.	bring an issue to court to protect the
		public's interest.
Natural Justice	Legal principles that ensure fair decision-	The basic principles that ensure
	making processes, including the right to a fair	decisions are made fairly and
	hearing and the rule against bias.	without bias.
Doctrine of	A principle in constitutional law used to	A rule that checks whether the
Proportionality	determine whether the limits imposed by a law	actions of the government are fair
	are reasonable in relation to the aims pursued.	and not excessive in relation to the
		goals they seek to achieve.
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Legal Pluralism	The existence of multiple legal systems within	The presence of different legal		
	one geographic area or society, often coexisting	systems, such as traditional or		
	with state law.	religious laws, alongside formal		
		state laws.		



