

# **DAILY** **VOCAB DOSE**

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## 1. DOWNTURN (noun, verb) – गिरावट; गिरा हुआ

**Pronunciation:** dawn•tuhn

**Meaning:** a decline in economic, business, or other activity; turn (something) downwards

**Synonyms:** downswing, downspin, worsening

**Antonyms:** upturn, upswing

**Usage:**

- There was a downturn in interest rates this week.(noun)
- Note the downturned wingtips and large ventral fin.(verb)

## 2. ADIEU (noun) – अलविदा

**Pronunciation:** uh•dyoo

**Meaning:** a goodbye

**Synonyms:** goodbye, farewell, valediction, vale, bye, cheerio

**Antonyms:** greeting, welcome

**Usage:** The young man silently bade adieu to his hometown.

## 3. DEFICIT (noun) – घाटा; कमी

**Pronunciation:** deh•fuh•suht

**Meaning:** the amount by which something, especially a sum of money, is too small

**Synonyms:** shortfall, deficiency, shortage, undersupply, slippage, loss

**Antonyms:** surplus, profit

**Usage:** The trade balance has been in deficit for the past five years.

## 4. SURGE (noun, verb) – लहर उठना

**Pronunciation:** suhj

**Meaning:** move suddenly and powerfully forward or upward

**Synonyms:** gush, rush, tide, outpouring, stream, flow, sweep, efflux, heaving

**Antonyms:** deflate, confine

**Usage:**

- He felt a surge of pure adrenalin as he won the race. (noun)
- The gates opened and the crowd surged forward.(verb)

**5. JUNCTURE (noun) – समयबिंदु; संधि-स्थल**

**Pronunciation:** juhngk•chuh

**Meaning:** a particular point in events or time; a place where things join

**Synonyms:** point, point in time, joint, junction, time, moment, stage, period, phase

**Antonyms:** disjuncture, schism

**Usage:** At this junction, I suggest we take a short break.

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**New Batch Starting from 20th July****LIVE**  
**COURSE****₹3499/-****6. EXCRUCIATING (adjective) – अत्यंत दर्दनाक**

**Pronunciation:** uhk•skroo•shee•ei•tuhng

**Meaning:** intensely painful

**Synonyms:** agonizing, severe, intense, extreme, violent, racking, violent, piercing

**Antonym:** painless, pleasant

**Usage:** He has excruciating backache.

**7. SAUNTER (verb, noun) – टहलना**

**Pronunciation:** sawn•tuh

**Meaning:** walk in a slow, relaxed manner; a leisurely stroll

**Synonyms:** stroll, amble, wander, meander, walk, promenade, ramble

**Antonyms:** hasten, drive

**Usage:**

- He sauntered by with his hands in his pockets.(verb)
- Let's go for a saunter along the river. (noun)

**8. INDEMNITY (noun) – हानि से सुरक्षा**

**Pronunciation:** in•dem•nuh•tee

**Meaning:** security or protection against a loss or other financial burden

**Synonyms:** insurance, assurance, protection, security, surety, guarantee, warranty

**Antonyms:** insecurity, fear

**Usage:** The indemnity only covers market value claims as at the date of exchange.

### 9. RATIFY (verb) – पुष्टि करना

**Pronunciation:** ra•tuh•fai

**Meaning:** sign or give formal consent to a treaty, contract, or agreement, making it officially valid

**Synonyms:** confirm, approve, sanction, accept, consent to, affirm, validate

**Antonyms:** reject, revoke

**Usage:** Today the governor will ratify the bill by signing it during a press conference.

### 10. PROFUSION (noun) – प्रचुरता

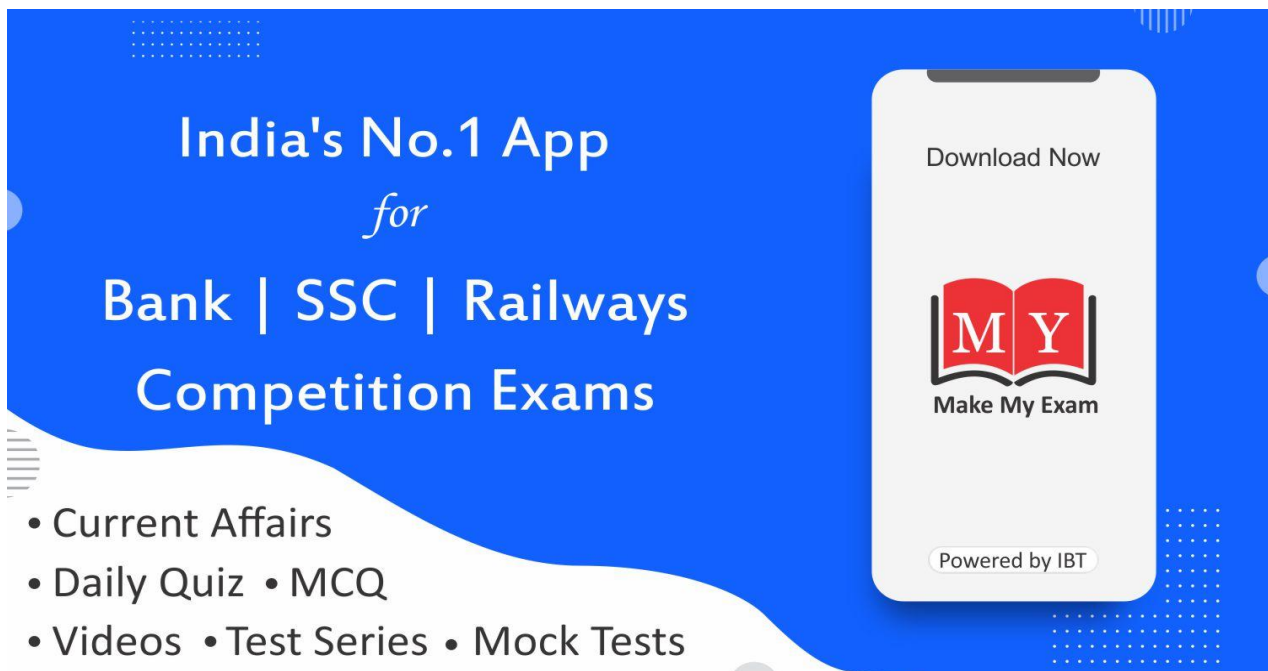
**Pronunciation:** pruh•fyoo•zhn

**Meaning:** an abundance or large quantity of something

**Synonyms:** abundance, lot, mass, plenitude, cornucopia, riot, plethora, superfluity

**Antonyms:** insufficiency, lack

**Usage:** There is a profusion of flowers in the garden in summer.



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