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1. **price pressures (noun)** – economic factors or conditions that force the prices of goods and services to rise within an economy; inflationary forces.
2. **Consumer Price Index (CPI) (noun)** – a statistical measure published by official statistical agencies that tracks the average change over time in the prices paid by urban and rural consumers for a market basket of consumer goods and services, functioning as a primary macroeconomic indicator of retail inflation; economic indicator, inflation metric, price barometer, cost-of-living index.
3. **inflation (noun)** – a general and persistent increase in the prices of goods and services in an economy over a period of time, resulting in a decline in the purchasing power of money; price rise, rising prices, cost escalation.
4. **sustainable (adjective)** – capable of being maintained at a steady, uninterrupted level without depleting natural resources or causing severe environmental degradation; eco-friendly, renewable, self-sustaining.
5. **sustainable energy (noun)** – energy derived from renewable resources (solar, wind, hydropower, geothermal, and biomass) that can fulfill current energy demands without compromising the environment or the needs of future generations; renewable energy, green power, clean energy, eco-friendly energy.
6. **curb (verb)** – limit, restrict, control, contain.
7. **second data (noun)** – the subsequent or next set of statistical information officially released after an initial dataset, used to confirm economic trends; second edition.
8. **historical (adjective)** – documented, chronological, past, archival.
9. **historical data (noun)** – compiled statistical information and records collected about past economic conditions, essential for comparing current inflation metrics; past statistics, archival records, prior figures, background data.
10. **robust (adjective)** – strong, vigorous, resilient, durable.
11. **clue (noun)** – hint, indication, sign, pointer.
12. **retail inflation (noun)** – the rate at which the prices of consumer goods and services purchased for everyday personal use increase over time, typically measured by the CPI; consumer price inflation, cost-of-living increase, consumer inflation.
13. **quicken (verb)** – accelerate, speed up, hasten, escalate.
14. **largely (adverb)** – mostly, mainly, primarily, principally.
15. **drive (verb)** – cause to happen; propel, push, prompt, stimulate.
16. **food inflation (noun)** – a specific economic condition characterized by the persistent increase in the wholesale and retail prices of agricultural commodities and edible goods; rising food prices, food price escalation, dietary cost increase, grocery inflation.
17. **take note of (verb)** – observe, pay attention to, heed, acknowledge.
18. **complacency (noun)** – self-satisfaction, smugness, overconfidence, apathy.
19. **creep in (verb)** – slowly/gradually start/enter to affect something; intrude, infiltrate, sneak in, penetrate.
20. **due to (phrase)** – because of, owing to, as a result of, on account of.
21. **weight (noun)** – significance, value, importance.
22. **nevertheless (adverb)** – in spite of; notwithstanding, however, nonetheless, yet.
23. **driver (noun)** – a fundamental factor or catalyst that causes a specific phenomenon, such as inflation, to develop or increase; catalyst, motivating force.
24. **beverage (noun)** – any consumable liquid other than water, typically tracked in economic indices alongside food items; drink, liquid refreshment, brew, potable.

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25. **notably (adverb)** – especially, significantly, remarkably, prominently.
26. **stand at (verb)** – remain at, register, record.
27. **thankfully (adverb)** – fortunately, providentially, luckily.
28. **accompany (verb)** – occur with, coexist with, go along with, complement.
29. **contraction (noun)** – decline, reduction, shrinking, decrease.
30. **staples (noun)** – basic foods, essential dietary items, daily necessities, mainstays.
31. **base effect (noun)** – a mathematical distortion in a current inflation figure caused by unusually high or low levels of inflation in the previous year's reference period.
32. **Looking ahead (phrase)** – thinking about, analyzing, or anticipating future economic conditions and policy requirements; anticipating, planning, forecasting, envisioning.
33. **result in (verb)** – cause, bring about, lead to, produce.
34. **El Niño effect (noun)** – a disruptive climate pattern marked by the abnormal warming of surface waters in the eastern Pacific; La Niña means abnormal cooling; climate fluctuation, weather anomaly, Pacific warming phenomenon.
35. **in the middle of (phrase)** – amid, amidst, during, in the midst of.
36. **conflict (noun)** – warfare, war, armed clash, fighting.
37. **sustained (adjective)** – continuous, ongoing, prolonged, steady.
38. **natural gas (noun)** – a naturally occurring hydrocarbon gas mixture extracted from the earth, utilized extensively as an industrial input and energy source; fossil fuel, combustible gas, hydrocarbon fuel.
39. **constraint (noun)** – restriction, limitation, bottleneck, hindrance.
40. **hurt (verb)** – damage, impair, undermine.
41. **fertilizer (noun)** – compost, manure, plant food, chemical enricher.
42. **eventually (adverb)** – ultimately or in the end; finally, subsequently, later.
43. **drive up (verb)** – increase, raise, inflate, escalate.
44. **likely (adverb)** – probably, presumably, undoubtedly, expectedly.
45. **blistering (adjective)** – intense, rapid, scorching, severe.
46. **global uncertainty (noun)** – a widespread state of international economic and geopolitical unpredictability that destabilizes financial markets; international instability, global unpredictability, worldwide volatility, geopolitical risk.
47. **uncertainty (noun)** – unpredictability, instability, precariousness, ambiguity.
48. **anxiety (noun)** – worry, concern, apprehension, uneasiness.
49. **skyrocket (verb)** – soar, surge, escalate, multiply.
50. **safe-haven (noun)** – an investment asset, such as gold or silver, that is expected to retain or increase in value during periods of severe market turbulence; secure investment, financial shelter, secure asset.
51. **precious metals (noun)** – rare and highly valued naturally occurring metallic elements, such as gold and silver, traditionally used as safe-haven assets; valuable metals, noble metals, bullion (gold/silver in the form of bars).
52. **let up (verb)** – ease, diminish, abate, subside.
53. **any time soon (phrase)** – shortly, soon, imminently, rapidly.
54. **Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG) (noun)** – a highly flammable mixture of hydrocarbon gases widely utilized as an essential fuel for domestic cooking and industry; cooking gas.
55. **Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) (noun)** – natural gas in liquid form; natural gas that has been supercooled to a liquid state to enable

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- efficient and safe international transport and storage; liquid fossil fuel.
56. **shortage (noun)** – scarcity, deficit, shortfall, paucity.
57. **input price (noun)** – the underlying cost incurred by manufacturers to procure the raw materials and energy required to produce commercial goods; production cost, raw material cost.
58. **pass on to (verb)** – transfer, relay, shift, redirect.
59. **Monetary Policy Committee (MPC) (noun)** – a statutory rate-setting panel of the Reserve Bank of India, officially mandated to determine the benchmark policy interest rate (repo rate) required to contain inflation within the target level while supporting economic growth.
60. **fuel constraint (noun)** – an acute shortage (or a particular restriction) in the availability of essential energy resources necessary to drive industrial and economic growth; energy shortage, resource restriction.
61. **onus (noun)** – responsibility, burden, obligation, duty.
62. **lie (verb)** – be, be present, remain, rest, reside, belong, fall on.
63. **expedite (verb)** – speed up, accelerate, hasten, precipitate.

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