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## NATIONAL NEWS

- On **December 20, 2019, India, Afghanistan and Iran met at New Delhi** to discuss the issues in the implementation of **Chabahar port in Iran**. The port is considered as a gateway of opportunities with Central Asian Nations by all the three countries.
  - **Related Keys**
    - Chabahar port Opened: 1983
    - The work of the Chabahar port is being conducted by the Port Global Ltd Company and the progress of the project was welcomed by all three countries.

## INTERNATIONAL NEWS

- The **International Astronomical Union (IAU)** announced the names of the newly discovered stars and planets, where the name "**Sharjah**" was chosen for a star with "**Barjeel**" being the name of one of its planets. The announcement was made during a press conference of the IAU in the French capital, Paris.
  - During the announcement, the organisers lauded the efforts and contributions of the Emirate of Sharjah to the global scientific community.
  - **Related Keys**
    - **International Astronomical Union Headquarters: Paris, France.**
    - International Astronomical Union Founded: 28 July 1919.
- **Donald Trump** has become the **third US President** in history to be impeached by the House of Representatives, setting up a trial in the Senate that will decide whether he remains in office. The House voted on two charges - that the President abused his power and that he had obstructed Congress.

- Nearly all Democrats voted for the charges and every Republican against.
- **Related Keys**
  - **Only three U.S. presidents** have been formally **impeached** by **Congress so far**
  - The three US Presidents are Andrew Johnson, Bill Clinton and Donald Trump.

## SCIENCE AND TECH UPDATES

- **India had successfully test-fired two missiles from Chandipur in Odisha.** The upgraded version of Pinaka guided rocket system was test-fired from the DRDO's Proof and Experimental Establishment firing test range. Quick Reaction Surface-to-Air Missile (QR-SAM) tested from a mobile launcher at a launch complex of the Integrated Test Range.
  - **Related Keys**
    - DRDO Headquarters location: New Delhi
    - DRDO Founded: 1958

## AWARDS

- Portuguese Prime Minister, **Antonio Costa** has announced that, Portugal will be launching a **Gandhi Citizenship Education Prize**, each year inspired by his different thoughts and quotes.
  - The first edition of this prize will be dedicated to animal welfare as Mahatma Gandhi said that the greatness of a nation can be judged by the way its animals are treated.
  - **Related Keys**
    - The President of India said that the thoughts of Mahatma Gandhi can show the right path on issues like stress and conflict and climate crisis.
    - In 1974, India and Portugal started their diplomatic relations

with a new government in Portugal.

## WORDS OF THE DAY

- **Masculine** - having qualities or appearance traditionally associated with men.
  - Similar Words - macho , manly.
  - Antonyms - feminine
  
- **Maim** - wound or injure (a person or animal) so that part of the body is permanently damaged.
  - Similar Words - hurt , disable.
  - Antonyms - mend, strengthen.



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