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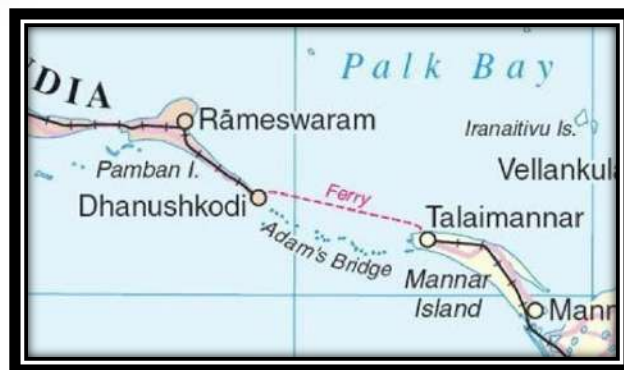
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NATIONAL NEWS

- The ambitious **Soil Health Card Scheme** is completing its five years on 19 February 2020. The scheme was **launched** in 2015 to assess the **nutrient status of every farm** holding in the country.
 - The objectives of the scheme are to issue Soil Health Cards to farmers every two years so as to provide a basis to address nutritional deficiencies in fertilization practices.
 - **Related Keys**
 - From 2015 to 2017, over **10 crores** Soil Health Cards were distributed to farmers in the first phase. In the second phase, over 11 crore cards have been distributed to farmers across the country.
- **Kerala Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan launched “Yodhav”** (Warrior) mobile app (application) at Kochi, Kerala. Through this app, the public can inform police about drug abuse and its distribution.
 - The application was introduced by the Kochi city police and the informer’s identity could be kept secret.
 - **Related Keys**
 - Kerala Capital: Thiruvananthapuram
 - Kerala Governor: Arif Mohammad Khan
- On February 18, 2020, **50-metre high foundation stone for a lighthouse was laid at Dhanushkodi in Rameswaram.** This is the fifth lighthouse in the region.
 - The light house is to be built at a cost of Rs 8 crore rupees. The lighthouse is to be located opposite to the old church .
 - **Related Keys**

- Dhanushkodi is an abandoned town at the south-eastern tip of Pamban Island of Tamil Nadu
- The town was destroyed during the 1964 Rameswaram cyclone and remains uninhabited.

SPORTS

- **Greco Roman wrestler Sunil Kumar** opened India's medal account in the **Asian Wrestling Championships** at New Delhi by **winning a Gold**.
 - The seasoned grappler beat Azat Salidinov from Kyrgyzstan in the final of the **87 kg** category.
- India will host 2020 Junior Men's World Cup. The **International Hockey Federation** (FIH) announced this at **Lausanne in Switzerland**.
 - This is the second time that India will be hosting the prestigious tournament, having staged it in Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh in 2016.
 - **Related Keys**
 - International Hockey Federation Founded: 7 January 1924
 - International Hockey Federation **Headquarters: Lausanne, Switzerland**

WORDS OF THE DAY

- **Obdurate** - stubbornly refusing to change one's opinion or course of action.
 - Similar Words - stubborn , obstinate
 - Antonyms - amenable , compliant
- **Obfuscate** - make obscure, unclear, or unintelligible
 - Similar Words - confuse, blur

- Antonyms - clarify



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