## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF MINES

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### **UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 753**

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#### INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION ON CRITICAL MINERALS

753 SHRI RAMBHAI HARJIBHAI MOKARIYA;

SHRI NARESH BANSAL:

DR. SUMER SINGH SOLANKI:

SMT. DARSHANA SINGH:

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Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:

- (a) the details on the recent MoU with the International Energy Agency(IEA);
- (b) manner in which the MoU enhance India's capabilities in managing critical mineral resources; and
- (c) joint initiatives that are planned under this partnership to promote innovation in technology development for critical minerals?

#### **ANSWER**

# THE MINISTER OF COAL AND MINES (SHRI G. KISHAN REDDY)

- (a) An MoU has been signed between Ministry of Mines, Government of India and the International Energy Agency (IEA) on cooperation in the area of critical minerals on 13<sup>th</sup> November, 2024.
- (b) The MoU includes following areas for cooperation which may enhance India's capabilities in managing critical mineral resources:
- i. exchange and development of data and statistics, best practice, policy tracking tools as well as collaboration on improving data collection; and
- ii. modelling and analysis.
- (c) Joint initiatives under the MoU to promote innovation in technology development for critical minerals, include the following:
- i. access to IEA global data/databases on topics relevant to critical minerals, e.g. policies, investments, end use technologies (EVs etc.);
- ii. joint organization of workshops, seminars and symposia;
- iii. exchange of published scientific and technical information;
- iv. organisation of capacity building events; and
- v. strategic advice on policies.

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