

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF MINES
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 125
ANSWERED ON 01.12.2025

CRITICAL MINERALS STRATEGIC STOCKPILE POLICY

125. SHRI SAKET GOKHALE:

Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has notified a time-bound national stockpiling framework with target tonnages, cost caps, and draw-down triggers for critical minerals; and
- (b) if not, the reasons and the plans of Government to notify such framework in the future?

ANSWER

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

(a) and (b) National Critical Mineral Mission (NCMM) was notified on 24 June 2025 and provides for a joint initiative between central PSUs or with private companies to develop National Critical Mineral Stockpile Programme, for stockpiling critical and strategic minerals, to guard against supply disruptions and aid mineral supply for domestic utilisation. The government has allocated ₹ 500 Crore for developing the National Critical Mineral Stockpile during the Mission period.
