

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEPARTMENT OF ATOMIC ENERGY
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO - 2881
ANSWERED ON 13/08/2026

RARE EARTH CORRIDOR FOR ANDHRA PRADESH

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Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:-

- (a) whether the Rare Earth Corridor announced for Andhra Pradesh in the Union Budget 2026-27 has formally been notified;
- (b) if not, the reasons for the delay and the expected timeline for its notification;
- (c) the current status of rollout of Rare Earth Permanent Magnet (REPM) scheme; and
- (d) the steps being taken to ensure timely operationalisation of the Corridor to support the State's monazite-based rare earth processing ecosystem?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES & PENSIONS AND
PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE (DR. JITENDRA SINGH)

- (a, b & d) The Union Budget 2026-27 made an announcement to support mineral-rich states of Odisha, Kerala, Andhra Pradesh, and Tamil Nadu to establish dedicated Rare Earth corridors to promote mining, processing, research and manufacturing. In line with the announcement, a Joint Working Group (JWG) comprising all stakeholder Ministries of Government of India and the four State Governments was formed for formulation of guidelines for the same.
- (c) The Union Cabinet approved the Scheme to Promote Manufacturing of Sintered Rare Earth Permanent Magnet (REPM) with a financial outlay of Rs. 7,280 Crore on 26th November, 2025, to establish 6,000 metric tonnes per annum (MTPA) of integrated REPM manufacturing capacity in the country. The said scheme was notified on 15th December, 2025.
