

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF MINES
LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. †*455
ANSWERED ON 02.04.2025

MINERAL EXPLORATION PROJECTS UNDER NMET

†*455 SMT. ROOPKUMARI CHOUDHARY:

SHRI JANARDAN MISHRA:

Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any financial assistance has been provided for mineral exploration projects under National Mineral Exploration Trust (NMET) across the country during the financial year 2024-25 till February 2025;
- (b) if so, the details thereof including the details of mineral exploration projects provided with financial assistance in Chhattisgarh;
- (c) whether the Geological Survey of India (GSI) has launched any projects for exploration of critical and strategic minerals in the country, particularly in Chhattisgarh during the financial year 2024-25 till February 2025;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) whether there is any scheme for exploration of minerals by GSI in Mahasamund and Gariaband districts and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (e): A statement is laid on the table of the House.

THE STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 455 REGARDING 'MINERAL EXPLORATION PROJECTS UNDER NMET' ASKED BY SMT. ROOPKUMARI CHOUDHARY AND SHRI JANARDAN MISHRA, MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT FOR REPLY ON 2ND APRIL 2025.

(a) and (b): Total 113 projects of mineral exploration have been sanctioned by NMET across the country including Chhattisgarh in FY: 2024-25 till February, 2025. The details are given in **Annexure-1**

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(c) and (d): Keeping in view the significant increase in the demand for several critical minerals, GSI has given thrust on exploration programs for critical minerals across the country including Chhattisgarh. The details of the 195 projects taken up by GSI in the country including Chhattisgarh in FY 2024-25 till February 2025 are given in **Annexure-2**.

(e): In Mahasamund district of Chhattisgarh, GSI has taken up 16 mineral exploration projects on basemetal, REE, glauconite, molybdenum, gold, phosphorite and REE mineral commodities in the last five year.

No mineral exploration projects in Gariaband district of Chhattisgarh has been taken up by GSI in last five years.

Annexure-1

Details of mineral exploration projects sanctioned by NMET in FY 2024-25 till February 2025

Sl. No	Project Name	Agency	Duration	Sanctioned Cost (in ₹ Cr.)	State
1	Reconnaissance Survey (G-4) For Diamond In Part Of A Palaeo-Channel In Krishna Basin Near Mangalagiri, Guntur Dist, Andhra Pradesh.	M/s Geo Marine Solutions Pvt. Ltd.	12	2.07	Andhra Pradesh
2	Reconnaissance Survey (G-4) for Graphite & Vanadium in and around Lalpani area, Lohit District, Arunachal Pradesh	M/s Kartikay Exploration and Mining Services Private Limited	15	5.63	Arunachal Pradesh
3	Reconnaissance (G-4) survey for Limestone in Dillai area, Karbi Anglong districts, Assam	DGM Assam	12	3.48	Assam
4	Reconnaissance (G-4) survey for limestone in Sheelveta area (25 sq.km.), Karbi Anglong district, Assam.	DGM Assam	12	2.68	Assam
5	Reconnaissance (G-4) survey for limestone in Longplaidisa area (25 sq.km.), Dima Hasao district, Assam.	DGM Assam	12	3.08	Assam
6	Reconnaissance (G-4) survey for limestone in Dikurumetron area (20 sq.km.), Upper Deopani of Karbi Anglong district, Assam.	DGM Assam	12	2.22	Assam
7	Reconnaissance Survey (G-4) for Tungsten, REE and Associated minerals in and around Nellie Area (114.96 sq. km), Morigaon and West Karbi Anglong Districts, Assam	MECL	10	2.64	Assam
8	Reconnaissance Survey (G4) for REE & associated minerals in and around Langmipi - Laching Thing Area (124.68 sq. km), West Karbi Anglong District, Assam	MECL	15	4.57	Assam
9	Preliminary Exploration (G-3 Stage) for REE and Associated Minerals in Umprikhola Block, Kamrup District, Assam	MECL	12	8.82	Assam

10	Reconnaissance survey (G-4) for Glauconitic sandstone in Parsada-Nawapara-Gurur area (146.27 sq km), Balod district, Chhattisgarh	MECL	12	1.17	Chhattisgarh
11	Reconnaissance survey (G4) for Lithium, Niobium, Tantalum, Titanium & REE Minerals in and around Bengpal–Ellingnar-Kumakoleng Block, Sukhma, and Bastar Districts, Chhattisgarh	M/s United Exploration India Pvt. Ltd.	12	0.93	Chhattisgarh
12	Preliminary exploration (G3) for Bauxite in Barpat Block, Balrampur Ramanujganj District, Chhattisgarh	DGM Chhattisgarh	12	1.37	Chhattisgarh
13	Reconnaissance Survey (G4) for Iron Ore in Nawagarh-Nelsod-Antagarh area, District Uttar Bastar Kanker, Chhattisgarh	M/s PRB Infra	10	1.17	Chhattisgarh
14	Reconnaissance survey (G4) for Glauconite in Mudhan-Khatiya block (129.00 sq. km), Kachchh District Gujarat	MECL	10	1.62	Gujarat
15	Preliminary Exploration for Bauxite in Mothala Block, Kachchh District, Gujarat	CGM Gujarat	8	2.26	Gujarat
16	Preliminary Exploration for Limestone in Lodhva Block, Gir Somanth District, Gujarat	CGM Gujarat	8	0.47	Gujarat
17	Preliminary Exploration for Limestone in Matana Block, Gir Somnath District, Gujarat	CGM Gujarat	6	0.57	Gujarat
18	Preliminary Exploration (G-3 Level) for Limestone in Simar Block, Gir Somanth District, Gujarat	CGM Gujarat	6	0.30	Gujarat
19	Detailed Exploration (G-3 Level) for Limestone in Bolas Block, Gir Somanth District, Gujarat	CGM Gujarat	6	0.40	Gujarat
20	Reconnaissance survey (G4) for Glauconite in Ambara West Block Kachchh District, Gujarat	MECL	12	1.08	Gujarat
21	Reconnaissance Survey (G4) for Vanadium and Titanium in Magnetite bearing sand in the beach/dune sands along the Saurashtra coast, Gujarat	M/s Geo Marine Solutions Pvt. Ltd.	15	1.70	Gujarat
22	Reconnaissance Survey (G-4 Stage) for Glauconite, Phosphorite & REE in Ambara-	MECL	10	2.30	Gujarat

	Maru Block, District Kachchh, Gujarat				
23	Preliminary Exploration (G-3 Stage) for Bauxite, Gallium, Vanadium, REE in Sandhan Block, Kachchh District, Gujarat	M/s Geo Marine Solutions Pvt. Ltd.	14	2.03	Gujarat
24	Preliminary Exploration (G-3 Stage) for Bauxite, Gallium, Vanadium & REE minerals in Naredi Bauxite Block, Kachchh District, Gujarat	M/s Geo Marine Solutions Pvt. Ltd.	14	2.33	Gujarat
25	Reconnaissance Survey (G-4 stage) for establishing the occurrence of Lithium and associated minerals in Great Rann of Kachchh, Gujarat	CGM Gujarat	10	0.31	Gujarat
26	Reconnaissance Survey (G4) for Bauxite, Ga, V, Ti & REE in Lakhond area, Kachchh District, Gujarat	M/s Critical Mineral Tracker	10	0.60	Gujarat
27	Reconnaissance Survey (G4) for Bauxite, Ga, V, Ti & REE in Nadapa area Kachchh District, Gujarat	M/s Critical Mineral Tracker	10	0.54	Gujarat
28	Reconnaissance Survey (G4) for Bauxite, Ga, V, Ti & REE in Reldi Moti area Kachchh District, Gujarat	M/s Critical Mineral Tracker	10	0.55	Gujarat
29	Reconnaissance Survey (G-4) for Wollastonite in Bhadli Block (107.89 sq km), District: Banaskantha, Gujarat	MECL	10	1.61	Gujarat
30	Preliminary Exploration (G-3) for Bauxite and associated minerals in Julrai Block, District: Kachchh, Gujarat	MECL	14	2.46	Gujarat
31	Preliminary Exploration (G-3) for Bauxite and associated minerals in Dhrang Block, Districts: Kachchh, Gujarat	MECL	14	1.51	Gujarat
32	Reconnaissance Survey (G4) for Limestone in Bhatiya Area in the Village Bhatiya-Gokalpur, District-Devbhumi Dwarka, Gujarat	M/s PRB Infra	8	0.70	Gujarat
33	Preliminary Exploration (G-3) for Copper and associated minerals in Thakurdih Area-1 Block (5.1 sq.km.), Singhbhum Copper Belt,	MECL	12	4.67	Jharkhand

	East Singhbhum district, Jharkhand				
34	Preliminary Exploration (G-3 Level) for Bauxite, Titanium and associated minerals in Anvrapat Block (1.00 sq. km), Lohardaga District, Jharkhand	MECL	8	1.76	Jharkhand
35	Preliminary Exploration (G3) for Bauxite, Titanium, and Associated Minerals Harhapat block, Gumla, Jharkhand.	JEMCL	10	0.74	Jharkhand
36	Reconnaissance Survey (G4) Exploration of Copper Bearing Minerals around Musabani, Dumriya, Maheshpur areas in West Singhbhum District, Jharkhand.	M/s Natural Resource Division, Tata Steel Ltd.	10	2.88	Jharkhand
37	Preliminary Exploration (G3) for Copper and associated minerals in Jaridih-Pipradih Block, District: Giridih, Jharkhand	MECL	15	4.00	Jharkhand
38	Preliminary exploration (G-3 Stage) for Magnetite and associated minerals in Pipradih Area (7.00 Sq. km.), District: Giridih, State: Jharkhand	CMPDI	8	1.47	Jharkhand
39	Reconnaissance (G4 Stage) for Gold in Jojobera-Uliurang Block, Arki Block, Khunti District, Jharkhand	JEMCL	10	1.13	Jharkhand
40	Preliminary Exploration (G3) for Manganese and Associated Minerals in Kankura Block, West Singhbhum District, Jharkhand	M/s Natural Resource Division, Tata Steel Ltd.	15	3.96	Jharkhand
41	Preliminary Exploration (G-3) for Iron and Manganese mineralization in Ramghad Block, Bellari District, Karnataka	M/s Ecomen Mining Pvt.	12	1.64	Karnataka
42	Preliminary Exploration (G-3 Level) for Limestone in Malkhed-1 North, Malkhed-1 South, Malkhed-2 North and Malkhed-2 south Blocks (Over an extent of 18.02 sq. km), Gulbarga District, Karnataka	MECL	6	1.22	Karnataka

43	Preliminary Exploration for Aluminous Laterite and Associated Critical Elements (V, Ga, & REE) in Mundalli Block, Uttara Kannada District, Karnataka	M/s Geo Marine Solutions Pvt. Ltd.	10	0.91	Karnataka
44	Reconnaissance Survey for gold and associated minerals in Killarhatti area, Koppal & Raichur, Karnataka	M/s Mining Tech Consultancy Services Ltd	10	3.74	Karnataka
45	Preliminary Exploration (G-3 Stage) for Gold in Chinnikatti Block, Haveri District, Karnataka	M/s Mining Tech Consultancy Services Ltd	12	4.69	Karnataka
46	Preliminary Exploration (G-3 Stage) for aluminous laterite and associated critical minerals in Govindagude & Sudigudde block, Udupi District, Karnataka.	M/s Critical Mineral Tracker	6	0.44	Karnataka
47	Preliminary Exploration (G3) for Bauxite in Kalychochra block, Rayagada district, Odisha	DGM Odisha	12	1.00	Karnataka
48	Preliminary Exploration (G3) for Bauxite in Nittadgi Block, Uttara Kannada district, Karnataka	M/s PRB Infra	12	1.41	Karnataka
49	Preliminary Exploration (G-3) for Glauconite Sandstone in Jhari block (5.1 sq.km.), Satna district, Madhya Pradesh	MECL	9	0.72	Madhya Pradesh
50	Preliminary Exploration (G-3) for Glauconite Sandstone in Deulha block (8.5 sq.km.), Satna district, Madhya Pradesh	MECL	9	1.05	Madhya Pradesh
51	Preliminary Exploration (G-3) for Iron, Manganese and Associated Minerals in Tindni area (7.4 Sq. Km) Jabalpur district, Madhya Pradesh.	MECL	15	3.69	Madhya Pradesh
52	Preliminary (G-3) Exploration for Iron and Bauxite Ore in Majhauili Block (3.94 sq.km.), District-Jabalpur, Madhya Pradesh	MECL	10	0.67	Madhya Pradesh
53	Preliminary (G-3) Exploration for Iron and Bauxite Ore in Amoch-Chhapra Block (4.86 sq.km.), District- Jabalpur & Katni, Madhya Pradesh	MECL	10	1.07	Madhya Pradesh

54	Preliminary exploration (G-3) of Tungsten and Tin ore in Murara-Devendrapura Block, District-Niwari, Madhya Pradesh	MECL	12	3.09	Madhya Pradesh
55	Preliminary Exploration (G-3) for Copper, Lead, Zinc and Associated Metals in Salaiya Phatak Block, District: Katni, Madhya Pradesh	MECL	12	1.39	Madhya Pradesh
56	Preliminary Exploration (G-3) for Iron and associated minerals in Chitrangi Block, Singrauli District, Madhya Pradesh	MECL	12	1.96	Madhya Pradesh
57	Reconnaissance Survey (G4) for Glauconite and associated mineralization in Dhamni-Piparwasi Simliya area, Sheopur district, Madhya Pradesh	M/s Maheshwari Mining Pvt. Ltd.	12	1.06	Madhya Pradesh
58	Preliminary Exploration (G3) in Jhalauthar Phosphorite block for Rock Phosphate, in Bada Malehra Taluka, Chhatarpur District, M.P.	M/s Engeotech	12	1.72	Madhya Pradesh
59	Preliminary Exploration (G3) for PGE and Associated mineral in Mordongri-Jamtara Block in Chhindwara district, M.P.	MPSMC	12	2.17	Madhya Pradesh
60	Reconnaissance survey (G4) for copper and associated minerals in Kochipur District- Sidhi, Madhya Pradesh.	CMPDI	10	1.25	Madhya Pradesh
61	Preliminary exploration (G3) for Limestone in Sangmania Block, Satna District, Madhya Pradesh	MPSMC	10	1.13	Madhya Pradesh
62	Reconnaissance survey (G4) for Glauconitic Sandstone in Kisanpur Block, Satna District, Madhya Pradesh	MECL	10	0.91	Madhya Pradesh
63	Reconnaissance Survey (G4) for Iron, Manganese and Associated Minerals in Jauli-Sailwara Block (33.8 Sq.km), District: Jabalpur, State: Madhya Pradesh	MECL	10	1.35	Madhya Pradesh
64	Preliminary Exploration Survey (G3) of Iron Ore and associated minerals in Bamuri Block, Sidhi District, Madhya Pradesh	M/s Maheshwari Mining Private Limited	12	2.87	Madhya Pradesh
65	Reconnaissance Survey (G-4 Stage) for Limestone in and	M/s Engeotech	10	0.70	Madhya Pradesh

	around Nanhwara Kymore area, Katni District, Madhya Pradesh				
66	Preliminary exploration (G3) for Iron ore and associated minerals in Amhawa Block, Sidhi District, Madhya Pradesh.	M/s Maheshwari Mining Private Limited	12	3.97	Madhya Pradesh
67	Preliminary Exploration (G-3) for Manganese Ore in Dhavalapur area (15.00 sq km), Nagpur district, Maharashtra.	MECL	12	2.32	Maharashtra
68	Preliminary Exploration (G-3) for Limestone in Sawalhira (East) Block, Chandrapur District, Maharashtra	M/s Gemcokati Exploration Pvt. Ltd.	10	0.87	Maharashtra
69	Preliminary exploration for Limestone in Rupapeth Block, Chandrapur district, Maharashtra	M/s Gemcokati Exploration Pvt. Ltd.	10	0.96	Maharashtra
70	Preliminary Exploration (G-3) for Copper and associated Mineralization in Govindpur Block (0.83 sq.km.), Chandrapur District, Maharashtra.	M/s Kartikay Exploration and Mining Services Pvt. Ltd.	8	1.26	Maharashtra
71	Preliminary Exploration (G3 Level) for Limestone in Adegaon Block, Yavatmal District, Maharashtra.	MECL	8	0.99	Maharashtra
72	Preliminary Exploration (G-3) for Limestone in Akapur Block, Yavatmal District, Maharashtra	MECL	10	0.97	Maharashtra
73	Preliminary Exploration (G-3) for Limestone in Mundra-Chilaiblock Block (4.38 Sq. km) District-Yavatmal, Maharashtra.	MECL	10	0.91	Maharashtra
74	Preliminary Exploration (G-3) for Limestone in Hiwardhara-Ganeshpura Block (2.81 Sq. km) District- Yavatmal, Maharashtra	MECL	10	0.94	Maharashtra
75	Reconnaissance Survey (G-4 stage) for Iron Ore in Arewada – Hitapadi Block (27 sq km), District: Gadchiroli, Maharashtra	M/s GemcoKati Exploration Pvt. Ltd.	6	0.17	Maharashtra
76	Preliminary Exploration (G3 Stage) of Limestone in Ponar Block, Adilabad District, Telangana	M/s Maheshwari Mining Private Limited	8	1.04	Maharashtra

77	Preliminary Exploration (G3 Stage) of Limestone, Gadeghat - Khatera block, Yavatmal District, Maharashtra	M/s Maheshwari Mining Private Limited	10	2.31	Maharashtra
78	Preliminary Exploration (G3) for Tungsten & Associated Minerals in Bodkipet block (intervening area between Kuhi and Khobna blocks), District: Nagpur, Maharashtra	MECL	12	4.15	Maharashtra
79	Preliminary Exploration (G3) for Limestone in Dhunki-Chilai Block District: Yavatmal, Maharashtra	MECL	8	0.98	Maharashtra
80	Reconnaissance survey (G4) for nickel-cobalt, PGE and chromium in and around Phangrai area, Ukhrul district, Manipur	M/s United Exploration India Pvt. Ltd.	12	1.16	Manipur
81	Preliminary Exploration for Nickel, Cobalt, Chromium & PGE minerals in Gamnom Block, Kamjong District, Manipur	M/s United Exploration India Pvt. Ltd.	18	6.12	Manipur
82	Preliminary Exploration (G-3) for Limestone in Mimi Kheti Block, Kiphire district, Nagaland	DGM, Nagaland	15	11.67	Nagaland
83	Preliminary Exploration (G-3) for Graphite in Chormunda Block (3.75 sq.km.), District- Balangir and Nuapara, Odisha.	MECL	12	2.60	Odisha
84	Preliminary Exploration (G-3) for Graphite in Temrimal Block (4.0 sq.km.), District- Balangir and Bargarh, Odisha	MECL	12	2.74	Odisha
85	Preliminary Exploration (G3) for Graphite in Patimal Block, District- Balangir, Odisha	MECL	12	2.08	Odisha
86	Preliminary Exploration (G-3 Level) for Limestone in Jaharitola (3.34 sq. km) and Mundatola (4.34 sq.km) Blocks, Sundargarh District, Odisha	MECL	12	2.86	Odisha
87	Reconnaissance Survey (G4) for Graphite in and around Khairmal area, Bolangir, District, Odisha.	OMC	10	0.85	Odisha
88	Reconnaissance survey(G4) for Graphite in Dhourakhaman area (60.0 Sq. Km), District: Bolangir, Odisha	OMC	10	0.89	Odisha

89	Reconnaissance (G-4) for Manganese around Kandhal area of Rairakhol Tahasil of Sambalpur District, Odisha	DMG Odisha	10	0.74	Odisha
90	Reconnaissance Survey (G4 Stage) for Graphite in and around Dumburuneli area, Rayagada District, Odisha	M/s Maheshwari Mining Private Limited	10	1.38	Odisha
91	Preliminary Exploration (G-3) for REE and associated minerals in Borana block, Rajsamand district, Rajasthan	M/s GeoExpore Pvt. Ltd.	12	1.47	Rajasthan
92	Reconnaissance Survey (G-4) for mineral-Rock Phosphate in Randha, Jaisalmer district, Rajasthan	FAGMIL	12	1.37	Rajasthan
93	Preliminary (G3) exploration for Glauconite and associated minerals in Pitupura block, Sawai Madhopur and Karauli Districts, Rajasthan	M/s GeoExpore Pvt. Ltd.	18	1.95	Rajasthan
94	Preliminary Exploration (G3-Stage) for REE mineralisation in Nauser-Bamni Dhani-Dandali Block Barmer, State: Rajasthan	MECL	14	6.11	Rajasthan
95	Preliminary Exploration (G3) for Potash in Lakhasar East Extension Block (9.50 Sq.km), Lakhasar Sub Basin, north western part of Rajasthan, District-Bikaner, Rajasthan	MECL	15	16.17	Rajasthan
96	Preliminary Exploration (G3) for REE and Copper in Hirnoda block, Jaipur, Rajasthan	MECL	12	4.39	Rajasthan
97	Preliminary Exploration (G-3) for Graphite in Arsanur East block, Sivaganga district, Tamil Nadu	KIOCL	12	3.46	Tamil Nadu
98	Preliminary Exploration (G3) for REE Mineralization in Maravapaliyam Block, Tiruppur District, Tamil Nadu.	MECL	12	1.25	Tamil Nadu
99	General exploration (G2 stage) for molybdenum in Vellakkal Central Block, Uttangarai Sector, Haru-Uttangarai Belt, District-Krishnagiri, Tamil Nadu.	MECL	15	11.21	Tamil Nadu

100	Preliminary exploration (G3) for molybdenum in Vellakkal North Block (2.90 Sq.Km.) & Vellakkal South Block (1.55 Sq.Km.), Uttangarai Sector, Haru-Uttangarai Belt, District-Krishnagiri, Tamil Nadu.	MECL	15	9.12	Tamil Nadu
101	Reconnaissance Survey (G4) for REE & RM (Sc, Nb) mineralisation in Samalpatti, Krishnagiri District, Tamil Nadu	KIOCL	10	1.32	Tamil Nadu
102	Preliminary Exploration (G-3 Stage) for limestone in Chokkanathapuram Block, Ariyalur and Perambalur Districts, Tamil Nadu	M/s Geo Exploration and Mining Solutions	8	2.25	Tamil Nadu
103	Preliminary exploration (G3 stage) for limestone in Kulumur Block, Ariyalur and Perambalur Districts, Tamil Nadu	M/s Geo Exploration and Mining Solutions	8	2.25	Tamil Nadu
104	Preliminary Exploration (G3 Stage) for Limestone in Mangrur block, Adilabad District, Telangana	M/s Maheshwari Mining Private Limited	8	0.70	Telangana
105	Reconnaissance survey (G4) for REE and associated minerals in Nellikudur area Mahabubabad and Warrangal districts, Telangana	M/s Critical Mineral Tracker	10	1.03	Telangana
106	Preliminary Exploration (G-3) For Limestone In Kodangal Block, Vikarabad District, Telangana State	TGMDC	8	1.62	Telangana
107	Reconnaissance Survey (G4 Stage) for Copper, Molybdenum, Tungsten & associated minerals in Hanspur Block, District Jhansi, Uttar Pradesh	MECL	10	1.62	Uttar Pradesh
108	Reconnaissance Survey (G4 stage) for Basemetals in Burogaon-Biltala-Mogan area, Lalitpur district, Uttar Pradesh	M/s Geovale Services Pvt. Ltd.	14	3.18	Uttar Pradesh
109	Reconnaissance Survey (G4 Stage) for Graphite and Vanadium in Matena-Sirar Area (60 sq.km.), Almora District, Uttarakhand	M/s Geovale Services Pvt. Ltd.	12	2.60	Uttarakhand
110	Preliminary Exploration (G3-Stage) for Tin in Kangra Block	MECL	15	6.05	Uttarakhand

	(6.35 sq. km. Area), District – Tehri Garhwal, Uttarakhand				
111	Reconnaissance Survey (G-4 Stage Exploration) For Phosphorite & associated minerals in Kaphalda Block, Districts: Dehradun & Tehri Garhwal, State: Uttarakhand	MECL	12	3.18	Uttarakhand
112	Reconnaissance Survey (G-4 Stage) for graphite in Korapara, Bankura District, West Bengal	M/s Maheshwari Mining Private Limited	10	1.22	West Bengal
113	Reconnaissance Survey (G-4 Stage) of Graphite, Korapara East Block, Bankura District, West Bengal.	M/s Maheshwari Mining Private Limited	10	1.25	West Bengal

Annexure-2

Details of critical minerals exploration projects taken up by GSI in various states including Chhattisgarh in FY 2024-25 till February 2025

SI No	State	Total No. projects	Commodity (specified in Part D of First Schedule)
1	Andhra Pradesh	8	Graphite, Graphite/Manganese, Lithium, REE, REE/ RM, Phosphorite, Tin/ Tungsten/RM
2	Arunachal Pradesh	4	Vanadium/Graphite, Phosphorite, Vanadium/ Graphite/ Limestone
3	Assam	4	REE, REE/RM
4	Bihar	7	REE, REE/RM, REE/Basemetal, Lithium/ Niobium/ Tantalum/REE-RM
5	Chhattisgarh	19	Phosphorite, Glauconite, Lithium, REE, Niobium/ tantalum/ REE/ lithium/ RM, RM
6	Gujarat	3	Phosphorite, Graphite, REE/RM
7	Himachal Pradesh	5	Vanadium
8	Jharkhand	19	REE, REE/RM, REE/RM/Basemetal, Graphite/Vanadium, Potash/Phosphorite, Titanium/Vanadium/Phosphorite, Lithium
9	Karnataka	11	PGE, Vanadium/ Nickel/ PGE, Nickel/ Chromium/ PGE, REE, REE/RM, Tin, Lithium/Tungsten, Molybdenum, Lithium/RM
10	Kerala	3	PGE/Nickel, REE/ Molybdenum/ RM, REE/RM
11	Madhya Pradesh	8	REE, Glauconite, REE/RM, Vanadium/ Titanium/ REE, Nickel/Chromium, RM/REE/ base metal
12	Maharashtra	8	REE, REE/RM, Vanadium
13	Meghalaya	4	Titanium/ Vanadium/REE, REE/Lithium, REE/Tungsten
14	Nagaland	1	Phosphorite
15	Odisha	16	REE/RM/PGE, REE/RM, Lithium/RM, Vanadium/Titanium, Graphite, REE, Nickel/ PGE/ Gold, Nickel
16	Rajasthan	35	REE/RM, Tugsten/Lithium, Tin/ Lithiu/ RM, Graphite, Graphite/Copper, Potash, REE, REE/RM, Tugsten, Nickel/Chromum/ Cobalt, Tugsten/Tin, RM
17	Tamil Nadu	8	Molybdenum, REE, REE/RM, Graphite, REE/ Tungsten
18	Telangana	6	Lithium/REE/RM, REE/RM
19	Tripura	1	REE
20	Uttar Pradesh	4	Nickel/Copper, Tungsten, Potash
21	Uttarakhand	4	Vanadium, REE/RM, Phosphorite/RM
22	West Bengal	11	Niobium/RM, REE/RM, Nickel, Tin, REE, Nickel/ Chromium/ PGE, Graphite, PGE/Vanadium
23	Jammu & Kashmir	4	Lithium, Lithium/ Vanadium/ RM/ REE
24	Ladakh	2	PGE/ Gold/ Nickel/ Chromium/ Cobalt, Lithium/Rubidium/, Caesium
	Total	195	