

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF MINES
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO – 1673
ANSWERED ON 10.12.2025

AUCTION OF CRITICAL AND STRATEGIC MINERAL BLOCKS

1673. DR. PRASHANT YADAORAO PADOLE:
SHRI RAMASAHAYAM RAGHURAM REDDY:

Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the mineral blocks offered for auction under the critical and strategic minerals initiative including details of blocks offered for Mining Leases and Composite Licenses along with the types of minerals covered under each tranche, State-wise and tranche-wise;
- (b) the total number of bids received for each critical mineral mine in the sixth tranche of auctions; and
- (c) the details of tenders awarded to winning bidders for each critical mineral mine under the sixth tranche of auctions including the name of the company, bid amount, proposed production capacity and timeline for commencement of operations?

ANSWER

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

- (a) Details of critical mineral blocks offered for auction by the Ministry of Mines state-wise and tranche-wise are attached at Annexure.
- (b) & (c) Auction of Critical Mineral Blocks under 6th Tranche has been notified on 16.09.2025 with last date of submission of technical bids as 15.12.2025.

Annexure

State	Mineral Concession	No. of Blocks	Minerals commodities
1st Tranche			
Bihar	CL	3	Glaucanite, Nickel, Chromium and PGE
Chhattisgarh	CL	1	Lithium and REE
Gujarat	CL	1	Nickel and Chromium
Jammu & Kashmir	CL	1	Lithium, Titanium and Bauxite
Jharkhand	CL	1	Potash
Odisha	CL	1	Graphite
	ML	3	Graphite and Manganese, Nickel and Copper
Tamil Nadu	CL	6	Graphite, Molybdenum,
	ML	1	Molybdenum
Uttar Pradesh	CL	2	Phosphorite, Glaucanite
2nd Tranche			
Andhra Pradesh	CL	1	Tungsten
Arunachal Pradesh	CL	4	Vanadium, Graphite, REE
Chhattisgarh	CL	3	Phosphorite and Limestone, Glaucanite, Tungsten
Karnataka	CL	2	Nickel, Chromium and PGE, Cobalt, Manganese and Iron
Madhya Pradesh	CL	2	Graphite
	ML	1	Graphite, Basemetal and Vanadium
Maharashtra	CL	2	PGE, Nickel, Chromium, Cobalt
Rajasthan	CL	2	Potash and Halite
Tamil Nadu	CL	1	Tungsten

3 rd Tranche			
Bihar	CL	3	Glaucanite, Nickel, Chromium and PGE
Jammu & Kashmir	CL	1	Lithium, Titanium and Bauxite
Jharkhand	CL	1	Potash
Tamil Nadu	CL	1	Graphite
Uttar Pradesh	CL	1	Glaucanite
4 th Tranche			
Andhra Pradesh	CL	1	Tungsten
Arunachal Pradesh	CL	5	Vanadium, REE, Graphite
Chhattisgarh	CL	5	Glaucanite, Tungsten, Phosphorite and Limestone
Jharkhand	ML	1	Graphite
Karnataka	CL	3	Cobalt, Manganese and Iron, Phosphate and REE, Nickel and PGE
Maharashtra	CL	1	Nickel, Chromium, and Cobalt
Rajasthan	CL	2	Potash and Halite
Uttar Pradesh	CL	2	Phosphorite, REE
Tamil Nadu	CL	1	Tungsten
5 th Tranche			
Chhattisgarh	CL	3	Glaucanite, Phosphorite and Limestone
	ML	1	Graphite and Vanadium
Gujarat	CL	1	Glaucanite
Karnataka	CL	4	Phosphate and REE, Nickel and PGE, Graphite, REE
Madhya Pradesh	CL	1	Phosphorite
Maharashtra	ML	1	Tungsten
Odisha	CL	1	Graphite

Rajasthan	CL	2	Potash and Halite
Uttar Pradesh	CL	1	REE
6th Tranche			
Andhra Pradesh	CL	1	Cobalt and Manganese
Arunachal Pradesh	CL	2	Vanadium & Graphite
Chhattisgarh	CL	1	Tin Ore
Jharkhand	CL	1	Titanium, Bauxite
Karnataka	CL	1	REE
	ML	1	REE and Yttrium
Maharashtra	CL	1	REE and Rare Metals
	ML	1	Tungsten ore
Odisha	CL	3	Graphite and Manganese
Punjab	CL	1	Potash and Halite
Rajasthan	CL	2	REE, Niobium, Rock Phosphate
	ML	2	REE, Niobium and Zirconium, Tungsten, Lithium
Telangana	CL	2	Vanadium, Titanium & Aluminous Laterite
Uttarakhand	CL	1	Rock Phosphate
Uttar Pradesh	CL	1	Titanium, Bauxite and Aluminous Laterite
West Bengal	CL	2	Rare Metals, REE