

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF MINES
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2847
ANSWERED ON 28.03.2022

SURVEY FOR NEW MINERALS

2847# MS. SAROJ PANDEY:

Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:

(a) the number and names of new minerals for mining in the country for which survey has been conducted so far; and

(b) the status of the process of mining of these new minerals and the States where these minerals are found?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF MINES, COAL AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS
(SHRI PRALHAD JOSHI)

(a): The new minerals for which exploration has been done are Emerald, Glauconite, Potash, Molybdenum, Platinum Group of Elements [PGE] and Andalusite.

(b): The Geological Survey of India and Mineral Exploration Corporation Limited have submitted geological reports of 25 Blocks of above-mentioned minerals to the State Governments. On 15.03.2022, amendment in Second Schedule has been notified specifying rates of royalty on these minerals. Now, the States can initiate process for auction of these Blocks. The States where these minerals are found are as follows:

- (i) Potash, Glauconite – Madhya Pradesh, Bihar, Uttar Pradesh, Rajasthan
- (ii) Andalusite – Uttar Pradesh
- (iii) PGE – Tamil Nadu, Kerala
- (iv) Molybdenum – Tamil Nadu.
