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public int findMinKey()
{
    if (root == null)
        return 0;

    int m = Integer.parseInt(root.data.toString());
    return findMinKey(root,m);
}

private Integer findMinKey(BTNode<T> t,int minValue)
{
    if (t != null)
    {
        minValue = findMinKey(t.left,minValue);
        minValue = findMinKey(t.right,minValue);
        if (Integer.parseInt(t.data.toString()) < minValue)
            minValue = Integer.parseInt(t.data.toString());
    }

    return minValue;
}</pre>
```