14.07hrs.

Title: Need to ensure adequate power supply to Gujarat from the Central Grid.

SHRI P.S. GADHAVI (KUTCH): Madam, Gujarat State is facing acute shortage of electricity, which will lead to agitation by farmers and industries.

As against the demand of 7,980 M.W. and uncontrolled demand is about 8,100 M.W., production of power in State is only 5,535 M.W. Thus, there is a shortage of about 2,565 M.W.

Rural areas and industries face constant power cut and farmers are not getting power supply for more than four hours and that too with interruptions.

Farmers and industries are being ruined due to natural calamities and also due to non-supply of adequate power. This shortage of power will also cause acute shortage of water for drinking and irrigation.

I, therefore, urge the Central Government to immediately intervene in the matter and see that Gujarat State can get adequate power supply from the Central Grid.