SHRI P.S. GADHAVI (KUTCH): The Government of India is in the process of an exercise to select areas to be developed as Petroleum, Chemicals & Petrochemicals Investment Region (PCPIR) .The region Dahej in South Gujarat has been proposed by the State Government wherein GIDC has already located land around 250 sq kms for the proposed PCPIR. The region of Dahej already has a presence of large chemical and petrochemical companies. The Government of Gujarat is developing a chemical SEZ there with GIDC as a promoter along with ONGC. The region has sufficient infrastructure including adequate water supply.

The State government officials participated in the meetings of Task force and conveyed strength of this strategic location. The team of officials also participated in the meeting held in Virginia, USA on 7.6.2006 in this regard.

Sir, when Dahej in Gujarat has been selected as one of the most important sites, I, therefore, urge upon the Government to set up PCPIR at Dahej, Gujarat positively by the end of 2007.