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5.	Automobile Industry	2,526	2,527	1,609	1,739
6.	Drugs & Pharmaceuticals	1,498	754	857	878
7.	Trading	2,728	3,845	2,338	2,274
8.	Chemicals (Other than Fertilizers)	763	1,470	1,393	1,137
9.	Power	707	869	1,113	1,378
10.	Construction (Infrastructure) Activities	870	4,511	1,861	2,540

Water scarcity at thermal power plants

*113. SHRI N. GOKULAKRISHNAN: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that India lost about 14 terawatt hours of thermal power generation due to water shortage in 2016;

(b) whether it is also a fact that this has led to the cancelling out of more than 20 per cent of growth in the country's total electricity generation from 2015;

(c) whether it is also a fact that about 40 per cent of the country's thermal power plants are facing great stress in terms of water availability; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI RAJ KUMAR SINGH): (a) Thermal power generating units sometimes face outages due to constraints in water availability. Outage losses due to water shortage reported by thermal power stations in the year 2016-17 were 9.57 terawatt hours which was about 0.82% of the total generation of power.

(b) Loss of generation due to outages on account water shortages however, does not lead to overall reduction in growth of electricity generation, as the generation loss, if any, due to water shortages is met through generation from other units in the country.

(c) and (d) No, Sir.