

Shri Nanda: All of them have submitted whatever schemes they had in view.

Shri Raghavaiah : What is the total number of educated unemployed in these States and what is the scheme of the Government to see that they are employed?

Shri Nanda : It is not possible to give the total number of educated persons who are unemployed, but some sample enquiries are being made and as soon as the results are available, we will have some idea.

**DHOTIES (ADDITIONAL EXCISE DUTY)
ACT**

*473. **Shri S. V. Ramaswamy:** Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

(a) the amount that has been collected so far under the *Dhoties (Additional Excise Duty) Act*; and

(b) how it has been utilised?

The Minister of Commerce and Industry (Shri T. T. Krishnamachari): (a) From November 1953 to March 1954 Rs. 9,42,000. From April 1954 to June 1954 Rs. 3,03,000.

(b) The amount has been credited to the Central Revenues.

Shri S. V. Ramaswamy : How is it proposed to be utilised?

Mr. Speaker : It goes to the general revenues. It is not separately earmarked.

Diwan Raghavendra Rao: In granting subsidies to small scale industries out of such excise duty funds, is it a permanent measure to restrict the unfair competition between small-scale industries and big-scale industries, or, is the Government contemplating to revise that policy?

Shri T. T. Krishnamachari: I do not see how this has anything to do with Government's policy. Government is quite prepared to provide funds in excess of the amounts collected by way of cess, if money is needed for

the promotion of small-scale industries or industries where the self-employed worker is engaged, but so far as this is concerned, it is going to the general revenues.

Shri Thimmaiah: May I know whether any portion of this amount is given to the States?

Shri T. T. Krishnamachari: No, Sir. Definitely not.

URANIUM AND THORIUM

*475. **Shri Buchhikotaiah:** Will the Prime Minister be pleased to state whether any plans have recently been drawn up by the Centre for the elaborate research and prospecting of the uranium and thorium deposits?

The Prime Minister, and Minister of External Affairs and Defence (Shri Jawaharlal Nehru): Yes, Sir.

Shri Buchhikotaiah: May I know whether it is a fact that some uranium ores are available along the Malabar Coast from monazite sands?

Shri Jawaharlal Nehru: It is available all over India, in large parts of India.

Shri Buchhikotaiah: May I know the names of the experts who are working in the Raw Materials Division of Ministry of Natural Resources?

Shri Jawaharlal Nehru: I am not aware; I do not remember the names of all our people working in various places.

Shri Raghavaiah: Where exactly are these two minerals found out?

Mr. Speaker: It is too general a question.

Dr. Ram Subhag Singh: The Prime Minister said 'Yes', in reply to the original question. May I know what is the nature of the plans that have been recently formulated?

Shri Jawaharlal Nehru: Plans for what?