Title: Need to improve the lot of bidi workers in the country - Laid.

SHRI A.P. ABDULLAKUTTY (CANNANORE): The condition of the beedi workers is very distressing. Most of them are unemployed. There are 3 lakhs of beedi workers. Most of them are working under the cooperative sector. I request Central Government to intervene and take all relief measures for improving their working conditions.

As a first step cess must be introduced immediately.