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Title: Need to establish a film museum at Chirayinkeezhu in Thiruvananthapuram district of Kerala in honour and memory of Late Prem Nazir, the famous Malayalam movie actor of yester years.

SHRI A. SAMPATH (ATTINGAL): Late Shri Prem Nazir is one of the most famous Malayalam Movie artists who has the record of acting in maximum number of films in the world in the role of a hero. A man who was born and brought up in an ordinary family at Chirayinkeezhu in Kerala rose to eminence only through his hard work and will power. A humanist and philanthropist, he is also remembered as a fountain of secularism.

The long saga of films in which Prem Nazir acted in itself is the history of a particular era of Indian Cinema, the transition period from black and white cinema to colour, 70 mm and cinema scope etc. He also has the record of releasing three films on the same day in the theatres.

A man of integrity and a hero of the masses, he upheld the social values and virtues throughout his life. Prem Nazir era lasted for almost half a century but he has still not been honoured properly by the nation so far.

In these circumstances, I urge upon the Government of India especially the Ministry of Culture and the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting to establish a film Museum at his birth place, Chirayinkeezhu in Thiruvananthapuram District of Kerala without any delay.