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Title: Need to acquire the residential Bungalow of Homi J. Bhabha, the eminent nuclear physicist at Malabar Hill in Mumbai and convert it into a National Heritage building.

SHRI VINAYAK BHAURAO RAUT (RATNAGIRI-SINDHUDURG): Homi J. Bhabha was an eminent nuclear physicist and was known as "Father of Indian Nuclear Programme". He had a chequered scientific career in the formative years of Indian Space and atomic research programme. Bhabha Atomic Research Centre is a standing tribute to the legacy of the great scientist.

Homi J. Bhabha lived in Mehrangir, a british-era bungalow at Malabar Hill in Mumbai. Bhabha spent most of his life at this bungalow.

There has been a proposal " sponsored by scientists, political leaders and social activists to convert this Bungalow into a National Heritage Building to act as an inspiration for the youth of the country and the next generation of Indian scientists.

Jamshed J. Bhabha, the younger brother of Homi J. Bhabha had been occupying and living in this Bungalow after the death of Homi J. Bhabha during the Air India Flight crash on 24th January 1966. He has bequeathed this Bungalow to the National Centre for Performing Arts (NCPA). This Bungalow has gone under hammer in public auction on June 18, 2014. The auction has been challenged in the Mumbai High Court.

The Chief Minister of Maharashtra and many eminent persons have urged the Government of India and the Hon'ble Prime Minister to acquire this Bungalow and convert it into a National Heritage.

I, therefore, request the Government to respect the sentiments of the Chief Minister of Maharashtra and eminent persons of the country.