

Parliament: Horror Genre The Utmost Favourite Of Moviegoers - D'Cruz
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KUALA LUMPUR, Dec 20 (Bernama) -- Horror films are the utmost favourite of moviegoers in the country as compared to other genres, Deputy Information, Communications and Culture Minister Datuk Maglin Dennis D'Cruz said.

He said according to the National Film Development Corporation (Finas) Compulsory Screening Scheme's statistics, horror films usually recorded high returns.

"Throughout this year, for example, the film titled "Hantu Bonceng" made RM8.5 million, while "Khurafat" made RM8.08 million and "Karak" made RM4.2 million."

He said this in reply to Senator Ahamat@Ahamad Yusop concerning the widespread screening of ghosts, superstitious and mystical movies at the Dewan Negara sitting here Tuesday.

D'Cruz said researches conducted by film producers showed that the local viewers still preferred horror movies.

"That is why more and more film producers decided to produce horror films as compared to other genres," he said.

The deputy minister also said that 36 locally-produced films had been screened at several international film festivals between 2008 and 2010.

"Of the total, 15 were screened in 2008, nine in 2009 and 12 in 2010," he added.

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