

PATNA A.I.R. STATION

274. **Shri C. N. P. Sinha:** Will the Minister of Information and Broadcasting be pleased to state:

(a) the amount spent over the Patna station of the A.I.R. in 1949, 1950, 1951 and 1952; and

(b) the amount spent for English and Hindi language broadcasts separately for these years?

The Minister of Information and Broadcasting (Dr. Keskar): (a) The recurring expenditure incurred on

Patna station of A.I.R. during the financial years 1948-49 to 1951-52 was:—

Year	Rs.
1948-49	4,91,211
1949-50	5,37,187
1950-51	5,21,758
1951-52	4,81,500

(b) It is extremely difficult to calculate separately the exact expense on English and Hindi broadcasts as they are not carried out by independent sections. On the whole the expense on English is very much less.