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would be taken up with the State Government if instances come to the notice of the Government.

Rent for Building Hired in Metropolitan Cities

*374. DR. A.K. PATEL: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) the state-wise rent paid during each of the last three years by the Department of Posts and Telecommunications for buildings hired by them for post offices and other purposes; and
- (b) the average monthly rent being paid in the metropolitan cities of Delhi, Bombay, Madras and Calcutta?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICA-TIONS (SHRI BIR BAHADUR SINGH): (a) The state-wise rent paid during each of the last three years by the Department of Posts for buildings hired by them for post offices and other purposes is given in Statement-I below. The corresponding information in respect of the Department of Telecommunications is being collected and will be laid on the table of the House.

(b) The average monthly rent being paid in the metropolitan cities of Delhi, Bombay, Madras and Calcutta is given in Statement-II below. In view of the reply given above, the corresponding information in respect of the Department of Telecom will be laid on the Table of the House.

Statement-I

State-wise Rent Paid During Each of the Last Three Years by the Department of Posts for Buildings Hired for Post Offices and Other Purposes.

SI.No.	Name of the State	1985-86	1986-87	1987-88
1	2	3	4	5
1.	Andhra Pradesh	149.90	144.87	137.13
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	0.82	0.82	0.82
3.	Assam	22.48	24.11	24.78
4.	Bihar	16.16	17.97	19.95
5.	Goa	1.73	3.05	2.97
6.	Gujarat	65.64	63.66	60.66
7.	Haryana	15.37	16.55	17.19
8.	Himachal Pradesh	10.84	10.73	11.74
9.	J&K	16.10	16.10	16.10
10.	Karnataka	68.87	74.91	79.78
11.	Kerala	94.15	99.08	98.87

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1	2	3	4	5	
12.	Maharashtra	431.49	374.57	386.36	
13.	Madhya Pradesh	48.86	57.52	49.34	
14.	Meghalaya	2 29	2.51	2.63	
15	Mizoram	2.66	3.02	3.43	
16.	Manipur	2.69	2.94	2.96	
17.	Nagaland	0.74	0 78	0.82	
18.	Orissa	3,03	2.63	2.76	
19.	Punjab	20.48	22.01	23.07	
20.	Rajasthan	36.27	40.66	44.32	
21.	Sikkim	1 54	0.61	2.22	
22.	Tamilnadu	135.06	140.28	145.06	
23.	Tripura	2.75	3.04	3.10	
24.	Uttar Pradesh	78.42	76.86	82.37	
25.	West Bengal	181.19	132.71	117.51	
	TOTAL	1,409.53	1,331.99	1,335.99	

STATEMENT-II

Average Monthly Rent Paid in the Metropolitan Cities

Name of the Metropolitan city	Average Monthly rent paid in 1987-88		
	(figures in lakhs of Rs.)		
Bombay	22 42		
Calcutta	6.09		
Delhi	3 90		
Madras	2.91		