

**Hoarded Gold**

So. { **Shrimati Renu Chakravarty:**  
**Dr. L. M. Singhvi:**  
**Shri P. R. Chakraverti:**

Will the Minister of Finance be pleased to state:

(a) the rough estimate of private gold hoardings in the country;

(b) whether Government are considering any steps other than Gold Control Order to squeeze out hoarded gold for the country's defence and development; and

(c) if so, what are they?

**The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Finance (Shri B. R. Bhagat):**  
 (a) No precise estimate is available.

(b) and (c). It is not possible at this stage to indicate the further action, if any, which Government is likely to take.

**Faridabad Township**

\*61. **Shri Surendra Pal Singh:** Will the Minister of Works, Housing and Rehabilitation be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a large area of land is being developed by the Central Government in Faridabad for the building of a Satellite Secretariat Township; and

(b) if so, how much time is likely to be taken for the completion of this project; and what will be the total cost of the project?

**The Minister of Works, Housing and Rehabilitation (Shri Mehr Chand Khanna):** (a) and (b). The Master Plan for Delhi envisages the development of Faridabad as a satellite township of Delhi. Government have approved in principle the construction of buildings providing 1 lakh sq. ft. of office accommodation along with 1150 residential units for

officers and staff in the township. As the first step, development of 229.3 acres of land at a cost of Rs. 58.10 lakhs has been sanctioned. This development is expected to take about two years. Plans and estimates for the construction of office and residential buildings are being drawn up.

**Godavari and Krishna Rivers**

\*82. { **Shri Yashpal Singh:**  
**Shri Bishanchander Seth:**

Will the Minister of Irrigation and Power be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 481 on the 24th January, 1963 regarding linking up of Godavari and Krishna Rivers and state:

(a) whether the proposal has since been examined by Government; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

**The Minister of State in the Ministry of Irrigation and Power (Shri Alagesan):** (a) The proposal to link Godavari and Krishna Rivers is still under examination.

(b) The details have yet to be worked out.

**U.S. Aid to India**

94. **Dr. L. M. Singhvi:** Will the Minister of Finance be pleased to state:

(a) the total quantum of U.S. aid to India during the last year; and

(b) in what form and for what projects and purposes the aid was utilised?

**The Minister of Finance (Shri Morarji Desai):** (a) The total amount of American Aid authorised during the calendar year 1962 was \$581.13 million.

(b) A statement is laid on the Table of the House. [Placed in Library. See No. LT-814/63.]