(c) The Government of India are concerned with the resolutions at (ii) and (v) above.

With regard to the resolution at (ii) above, the Convention is being advised to make a formal application giving full particulars. The application will be considered when received.

As regards (v) above, the recommendations of the Central Advisory Board of Education regarding advance increments and a special pay to teachers working in schools for the deaf in India has been forwarded to the State Governments for considera-

(b) Yes, Sir.

Pay Scales of Assistants

955. ∫ Shri Hem Barua: Shri M. L. Dwivedi:

Will the Minister of Finance be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 241 on the 17th February, 1961 and state:

- (a) whether Government have now taken any final decision on the representation of the Assistants' Association in regard to the revision of scales of pay after the acceptance of the recommendation of the Pay Commission; and
 - (b) if so, the details thereof?

The Minister of Finance (Shri Morarii Desai): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) After very careful consideration of all the relevant factors Government have decided that it is not feasible to improve the 'revised' scale pay already prescribed on the specific recommendation of the Pay Commission.

Aid from Canada for Third Five Year Plan

956, Shri D. C. Sharma: Will the Minister of Finance be pleased to

(a) whether any offer of assistance to India's Third Five Year Plan has been received from Canada:

- Written Answers (b) if so, the amount thereof: and
- (c) the way in which it is proposed to be utilised?

The Minister of Finance (Shri Morarji Desai): (a) to (c). At the Consortium meeting held at Washington between May 31 and 2nd June. 1961, Canada indicated an amount of Canadian \$56 million as assistance for the first two years of the Third Plan. This was subject to appropriate legisaction or other necessarv authorisation. The Government of India have not yet received any formal offer from the Government of Canada in this regard.

Jet Engines

957. Shri D. C. Sharma: Will the Minister of Defence be pleased to

- (a) the progress made so far by the Hindustan Aircrafts Ltd., Bangalore in starting production of jet engines;
- (b) for what aircrafts these engines are suited; and
- (c) how many engines have been produced so far?

The Minister of Defence Krishna Menon): (a) The Company has commenced manufacture of a Jet Engine of the Orphous family.

(b) and (c). It is not desirable in public interest to disclose this information.

Gold Mining

958, Shri D. C. Sharma: Will the Minister of Steel, Mines and Fuel be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that a scheme for intensifying and expediting gold mining is being examined by the Government of India;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the nature of steps proposed to be taken to execute the scheme?

The Minister of Mines and Oil (Shri **K. D. Malaviya**): (a) to (c).

specific scheme of this nature is being examined by the Government of India. However, investigation of the gold deposits was carried out during the II Plan period and is being continued in the III Plan period.

Detailed geological mapping of Kolar and Gadag goldfields in Mysore and Ramagiri goldfield in Andhra Pradesh has been completed by the Geological Survey of India.

On the basis of this work, lodes were correlated in the Kolar Goldfield and a programme of exploration by trenching and drilling was drawn up. The Mysore mine area was chosen for the first stage of exploration to find some new payable sections along lode extensions, in order to increase the life of this mine. After some preliminary trenching operations it was decided to carry out drilling exploration along two major lode systems immediately south of the Mysore mine. Five inclined holes were drilled in this area. The total footage drilled was 539 metres. Even though the were intersected in all the holes, the gold values were consistently uneconomic, being below 0.6 dwts, per ton. This work has indicated that there are no new payable lodes or extensions of known lodes within a distance of about 1.6 kilometres.

In view of the above and during interim period when further the detailed study and trenching have been planned in other parts of the Mysore Mine area, the drilling operations by the Geological Survey of India have been shifted to Nundvdroog mine area in the northern part of the field where some encouraging indications were unearthed during the trenching operations. The first hole was closed at 168.173 metres depth. It intersected a lode of 1.22 metres thick at 60.3 metres depth. The gold value of this zone is between 1.22 to 1.5 dwt. per ton. At least half a dozen drill holes have to be completed in the Nandydroog mine area to assess the economic workability of the lodes before planning costly underground development.

The Indian Bureau of Mines is exploring Ramagiri goldfield by drilling.

Detailed geological mapping of Hutti goldfield in Mysore and Wynad goldfield in Madras-Kerala will be taken up during the Third Five Year Plan period.

Archaeological Excavations in Punjab

959. Shri D. C. Sharma: Will the Minister of Scientific Research and Cultural Affairs be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there are proposals for further archaeological excavations in Punjab State to be undertaken during 1961-62; and
- (b) if so, the places which are proposed to be excavated?

The Deputy Minister of Scientific Research and Cultural Affairs (Dr. M. M. Das): (a) Programme for excavations for 1961-62 has not yet been finalised.

(b) Does not arise.

Grants from U.N.O. for Projects in Dehra Dun and Madras

Will the Minister of Finance be pleased to state:

- (a) whether U.N.O. has approved any grant to some projects in Dehra Dun and Madras; and
 - (b) if so, the details thereof?

The Minister of Finance (Shri Morarji Desai): (a) and (b). Yes. In this connection the answer given in reply to Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 476 on 9-8-1961 may kindly be referred to.

New Schools in Delhi

Shri Radha Raman:
Shri Shree Narayan Das:
Shri Prakash Vir Shastri;
Shri Naval Prabhakar:
Shri D. C. Sharma:

Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state: