



Q 4: What is the ruling on the following two cases: First: a friend gives us gold in return for lending him a sum of money. We keep the gold until he repays the money. Second: it often so happens that when someone buys gold from us, he might not be able to pay the whole price and accordingly some of the gold we sell him is pawned until the rest of the price is paid.

A: First: It is permissible to pawn gold for silver or silver for gold. **Second:** Gold can not be exchanged for silver unless the exchange occurs in a hand-to-hand transaction. The second case mentioned in the question is not permissible.

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