commendations which were subsequently modified and enlarged by the Medical Education conference of Health Ministers, Vice Chancellors of Universities, Principals Deans of medical colleges. Experts in madical Sciences and Administrators etc. These recommendations were considered and endorsed by the Executive Committee of Central Council of Health, at its 6th meeting held in Aurangabad in July, 1970. The Government have accepted these recommendations in the form of a resolution and forwarded it to State Governments/Universities etc. for implementation.

National Filaria Control Programme

- 1039. SHRI BISHWANATH JHUN-JHUNWALA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY PLANNING be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news item appearing in the *Indian Express* dated the 8th September, 1971, that nearly one fourth of the population of the country is exposed to Filarlasis a conclusion which has been arrived at on the basis of surveys actually made;
- (b) whether there is a serious shortfall in the implementation of the National Filaria Control Programme for 1969-70 and 1970-71; and
- (c) if so, the extent of the short-fail, the states where the incidence of the disease is acute and what steps have been taken by Government to contain the disease?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY PLANNING (PROF. D. P. CHATTO-PADHYAYA): (a) Yes.

(b) and (c). There has been short falls in the achievement of the targets fixed for 1969-70 and 1970-71 as given in the statement (1) Laid on the Table of the House [Placed in Library. See No. LT-1070/71]

The incidence of this disease is acute in the States of Andhra Pradesh, Bihar, Gujarat, Kerala, Maharashtra, Orissa, Tamil-Nadu and Uttar Pradesh.

A statement (II) indicating the steps taken by the Government to contain the disease is laid on the table of the House. [Placed in Library. See No. L. T.—1070/71]

Independent Security Forces in Universities

1040. SHRI N. SHIVAPPA:
SHRI MUHAMMED SHERIFF:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION AND SOCIAL WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Central Government have approved of the scheme for independent Security Forces in various Universities in the country;
- (b) how many Universities have so far raised their independent Security Forces to guard different installations inside the institutions:
- (c) the strength of the Security Force in these institutions and their Functions; and
- (d) the financial implications of these Forces?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND SOCIAL WELFARE & IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE (PROF. D. P. YADAVA): (a) The University Grants Commission has not approved any scheme for an independent security force in any University in the country. The Commission has, however, agreed to assist the Banaras Hindu University to strengthen its present watch and ward system and has given a grant to Visva-Bharati for strengthening its security arrangements in the campus.

(b) to (d). The government has no information.

Plan for Beautification of New Delhi.

1041. SHRI N. SHIVAPPA:
SHRI MUKHTIAR SINGH
MALIK:

Will the Minister of WORKS AND HOUSING be pleased to state: