

Ministry of Home Affairs

## Harsher Punishment in Cases of Drunk and Negligent Driving

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The Department related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Transport, Tourism and Culture in its report has recommended for amendments to the Indian Penal Code (IPC) to include deaths due to drunken driving as culpable homicide not amounting to murder. Further, the Law Commission of India in its 234th Report - Legal Reforms to Combat Road Accidents, has also recommended to insert a new section for causing death or injury by rash and negligent driving in the Indian Penal Code. Further, amendments to Cr.P.C. is an ongoing and continuous process based on Law Commission reports, or otherwise, through a consultative mechanism.

This was stated by the Minister of State for Home Affairs, Shri Hansraj Gangaram Ahir in a written reply to question by Shri Motilal Vora in the Rajya Sabha today.

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