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Three types of speed-breakers to come up

Chennai: Motorists who curse the bumpy speed breakers can now hope for some respite from the corporation which has decided to make motor-friendly speed-breakers.

The non-uniform speed breakers would be re-m-oved and new ones will be installed. Ch--ennai corporation had be-en receiving compla-ints reg-arding so-me sp-ee-d-br-eakers.

"Several speed-breakers set up in the city are not est-abli-hed as per Indian Road Congress gu-ide-li-nes," the release no-ted, adding that the civic bo-dy had decided to in-stall three specific types of sp-e-ed breakers, which wo-u-ld regulate the vehicles at a speed of 25 km, 15 km and 10 km per hour. Ro-ad tu-rns, accident-pr-o-ne zo-nes, hospital and sc-hool zo-nes will be exa-mi-n-ed.

"I welcome the corporation's move to custo-m-ise the speed-breakers as they could be life savi-ng," sa--id Dr V. Kanagasabai, di---r-e-ctor of medical edu-c-a--t-ion and dean of MMC.

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"Wh-en a sp-ee-ding vehicle hits an non-uniform sp-e-ed br-ea-k-er, it could lead to an acc-ide-nt, resulting in in-ju-ries, particularly to the spinal cord.

"People who have un-dergone hip replacement surgeries and senior citiz-ens can suffer spontane-o-us fractures," Dr Ka-na-ga-s-abai said.

"Many of the speed-breakers are not un-iformly laid and my vehicle gets severely damaged by those," said La--xman Ramesh, a re-tired furnace engineer at Ve-lachery. "I wonder whe-ther they are 'speed-bre-akers' or 'vehicle breakers'," he adds.