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# Ahead of boards, students flooded with worries

## Floods Also Wash Away Study Plans

Mohsin Usmani | TNN

**Lucknow:** "Every day that passes without classes makes us more worried about the exams and we do not know when our classes will resume or how we will complete the syllabus," said Mohammad Bilal, a Class XII student from Faizullaganj.

With around three months left for the exam after UP Board announced the schedule, Bilal and hundreds of other students in flood-hit Faizullaganj and adjoining areas are struggling to keep up with their studies.

More than two dozen schools, coaching centres and private tuition centres are affected by Gomti floods, disrupting classes at a time when students should be completing their syllabus and revising.

For many, the challenge extends beyond the closure



**STUDIES ON HOLD:** School remain closed in flood-affected Faizullaganj in Lucknow



Ajay Kumar

## Relief material ferried to flood-hit areas

Relief teams continued to deliver food, drinking water, medicines and solar lights to flood-hit families in villages around Faizullaganj, using boats to reach areas cut off by rising water. Residents of Saitha village and Gomti Kunj Colony received ration kits, cooked meals, mosquito repellents and other essentials as several families continued to grapple with inundated homes and prolonged power cuts. [Era University](#) distributed rice, pulses, biscuits and medicines.

of educational institutions. With homes inundated, families displaced and daily routines disrupted, students are struggling to find a quiet

place to study.

Shruti, a Class X student and resident of Mama Colony, lamented, "I am living with my maternal uncle with

## Over 300 stranded animals rescued

Animal welfare organisations and the Lucknow Municipal Corporation (LMC) rescued more than 300 animals, including dogs, cows, buffaloes, and goats during floods in Faizullaganj and adjoining areas. Many animals were found stranded around homes and streets, with limited access to food and safe shelter. Amit Sehgal, founder of Jeevashray, said, "Many stray animals were trapped in inundated areas. Our teams went into the affected localities to rescue them and move them to safer places."

my sister, as my board exams are just few month away and my pre-boards exams are scheduled from December. I am lacking in my prepara-

tions as my study material is left behind in flood house."

Another resident of the area, Satish Verma, said, "My child has been prepa-

ring for Class XII as well as competitive exams for months, but the floods disturbed everything. We are struggling to manage our daily needs and studies have taken a back seat. I am worried about how my child will catch up."

More than two dozen educational facilities, including schools, coaching institutes and private tuition centres, have been affected across Faizullaganj and neighbouring localities. Students who depend on these centres for regular classes and guidance are uncertain about how they will make up for lost time.

Sarvesh Singh, who runs a private coaching centre, said the floods had damaged its infrastructure. "We are trying to conduct online classes for students preparing for board exams, but many are still unable to attend classes for various reasons," he said.

For students, the worry is not just about completing the syllabus; they fear they may not get enough time to revise and prepare for the next step in their academic lives.