You are an 18-year-old boy. You belong to the Muslim community. Your parents send you to school and allow you to play with your friends. You like climbing trees and have learned to swim. You perform well at school and like listening to the news.
Please elaborate your answers as you get into character! Share your character’s thoughts and feelings with the group.

A Disaster Management Officer from the City Government comes knocking. She asks:

Why didn’t you come to the neighbourhood meeting about the floods? You explain that you didn’t pay attention to the meeting. You were busy with your studies and need permission from your parents to attend any community meetings as they are concerned about your security.

How have the floods affected you and what would improve your situation? It affects you greatly, as the roads are blocked and the nearby drain overflows and has flooded your house many times before, it also contaminates the water and there is no electricity to charge phones or get the news. Many of your friends fall sick and miss school; also, your parents complain about the price of daily groceries. You don’t have many relatives living nearby so there is no one to help you and your parents when it floods.

This time, you manage to attend the neighbourhood meeting.

There is an idea for an organised network of volunteers in Krishna Nagar to support residents who need practical help when the floods get bad and when there is water logging, too. You are very interested but have reservations as to whether you will be allowed to help. You prefer if your friends get together as a team, maybe you could help out?

Discuss with the group.