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Essay on a Drowning Tragedy

Rivers in India are in flood during summer monsoons. They overflow their banks and have a strong current. Every now and then we hear of drowning incidents and loss of life and property.

It was sunny. I and some of my friends decided to go to the Jamuna for a bath. We went on our bicycles. A few of us took with them inflated rubber bladders as a swimming aid. We took off our clothes, jumped into the water, and began enjoying the refreshing bath. We kept near the bank in shallow water. A little farther the water was deep. There were many whirlpools on it.

Rajeev, one of my friend did not know how to swim. He was afraid of going into the river. So he sat near the clothes. We jumped into the Ganga. We swam. We took bath properly, When Rajeev saw us enjoying ourselves in the water, he also decided to bath in Ganga. He took off his clothes and entered the river. Soon his foot slipped. He could not balance himself. The fast current of the river swept him away.

All of a sudden we heard "Help! Help!" I looked about and saw Rajeev drowning. He was being carried away by the strong current. I hurriedly swam towards him.

Luckily, I caught him by the arm and brought him out of the water. We laid him flat on a pitcher, with his face downwards, and tried artificial respiration. Water flowed out of his mouth and nose. He began to breathe and opened his eyes. We thanked God for it and returned home happily.