

# City residents, school students join hands to help Kerala flood victims

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Tanisa Dhingra, who lives in DLF Phase 1, is collecting relief material such as rice, pulses, blankets, and tents with the help of her neighbours. She said she has also sent a mail to all her colleagues asking them for help. "Starting Monday, we plan to keep boxes for donation on every floor in the office," she said, adding that she has tied up with an NGO, which will take care of the transport.

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Schools in the city are taking steps in this regard as well. Scottish High International School in Sushant Lok-2 plans to talk to its students and ask for their support. "In Monday's assembly, the head boy and the head girl will brief the students about the donation drive. We will be collecting items till Wednesday and transport them to Kerala," said Sudha Goyal, director of the school.

Lancers International School in DLF Phase 5 is collecting supplies such as rice, sugar, towels and water. "One of our representatives will soon send the supplies to Kerala," said Rohit Mann, director of the school.

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View of a flooded area is pictured in the north part of Kochi, in the state of Kerala on August 18, 2018.(AFP)

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