

Students reeling in uncertainty

Roll back the incalculable loss

ELECTION has not come as a breather for the four crore primary and secondary students as they are still gripped by political uncertainty. Although the academic year has commenced, they do not know when the classes will begin and how. An overpowering sense of anxiety is engulfing the pupils; they do not know what lies in store for them. They have got the new books on time, the enthusiasm to study is taking hold of them and they wait with a bated breath to see the schools functioning.

The admission tests and formalities of getting admitted may be awaited in many schools; inordinate delay may cause sessions jam too.

In the present context of insecurity all around, parents and guardians are scared and teachers too are not in a position to insist on the students coming to schools. How can they guarantee security to the youngsters when the police themselves are busy handling the haywire law and order situation? There are petrol bomb being thrown, vehicles burning and cocktails blasting even though oborodh and hartal are petering out.

Like their parents and teachers, the students too are desperately praying for the political parties to come to an understanding on their disputes.

Meanwhile, the opposition should withdraw hartal and oborodh programmes for the sake of the future of the students.