

12-year-old pupil killed in Edo flood

A 12-year-old boy, Nathan Spencer, has lost his life after being swept away by floodwaters while on his way to write the Middle Basic Assessment Examination in Benin, a report by the News Agency of Nigeria says.

NAN learnt that the incident occurred on Saturday along the Urelu-Ugbowo Road during

Spencer, a pupil of Future Leaders Academy in Benin, was reportedly heading to Liberty Secondary School in Urelu, Benin, his designated examination centre for the First School Leaving Certificate

Examination when the incident occurred.

Eyewitnesses said the floodwaters had submerged parts of the road, creating hazardous conditions for commuters and pedestrians.

A viral video circulating online after the flooding showed a man carrying

the lifeless body of the pupil on his shoulders, with bystanders urging him to rush him to the nearest hospital.

Several onlookers could also be heard criticising the boy's parents for allowing him to make the trip to the examination centre unaccompanied.

Mohammed's father appeals