

Located in south-central Bangladesh, Barguna district lies under Barisal division, and has an area of 1,831 square kilometres. The main rivers in the area are the Paira, Bishkhali, Khakdon and Baleshwar. It is bounded by Jhalokathi, Barisal, Pirojpur and Patuakhali districts on the north, Patuakhali district on the east and south, and Pirojpur and Bagerhat districts on the west.



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Students are playing and reading with happiness at BRAC primary school.

BRAC operates in Barguna with a few programmes such as microfinance, education (BEP), health, nutrition and population (HNPP), community empowerment (CEP), human rights and legal aid services (HRLS), targeting the ultra poor (TUP), and water, sanitation and hygiene (WASH).

General information

Population	927,890
Unions	42
Villages	563
Children (0-15)	183,685
Primary schools	732
Literacy rate	58%
Hospitals	6
NGOs	79
Banks	10
Bazaars	118

At a glance

(as of December, 2015)

Microfinance

Branches	10
Village organisations	713
Members	30,477
Borrowers	15,077

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Small enterprise clients	1,894
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Tenant farmers' development project

Village organisations	347
Money disbursed	233,904,000
Population covered	7,891

Education

Primary schools	12
ADP centres	1

Community empowerment

Community-based organisation (polli shomaj)	103
Union-based organisation (union shomaj)	8
Popular theatre	4

Health, nutrition and population

Health workers (shasthya kormi)	64
Health volunteers (shasthya shebika)	636

Human rights and legal aid services

Human rights and legal education (HRLE) shebikas	138
HRLE graduates	29,301
Legal aid clinics	5

Water, sanitation and hygiene

Committee members	1,651
Loans for sanitary latrines	275
Sanitary latrines installed in school	2,400
Deep tubewell installed	37

Targeting the ultra poor

Specially targeted ultra poor (STUP) members	23,042
Assets and training received	23,042
Healthcare availed	23,042