

Located in south-west Bangladesh, Chuadanga district lies under Khulna division, with an area of 1,174 square kilometres. It is bounded by Kushtia district on the northeast, Meherpurr district on the northwest, Jhenaidah district on the south and southeast, Nadia district of West Bengal of India on the southwest.

BRAC operates in Chuadanga with components, such as microfinance, education (BEP), health, nutrition and population (HNPP), community empowerment (CEP), human rights and legal aid services (HRLS), and water, sanitation and hygiene (WASH) programme.



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

General information

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| Population | 1,120,098 |
| Unions | 35 |
| Villages | 521 |
| Children (0-15) | 323,000 |
| Primary schools | 412 |
| Literacy rate | 46% |
| Hospitals | 4 |
| NGOs | 52 |
| Banks | 16 |
| Bazaars | 103 |

At a glance

(as of December, 2015)

Microfinance

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| Branches | 21 |
| Village organisations | 1,275 |
| Members | 70,657 |
| Borrowers | 33,031 |

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| Small enterprise clients | 3,229 |
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Tenant farmers' development project

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| Village organisations | 316 |
| Money disbursed | 267,003,000 |
| Population covered | 9,239 |

Education

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| Primary schools | 102 |
| Pre-primary schools | 218 |
| Adolescent development programme (ADP) centres | 96 |
| Community libraries (gonokendras) | 24 |

Health, nutrition and population

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| Health workers (shasthya kormi) | 60 |
| Health volunteers (shasthya shebika) | 1,022 |

Human rights and legal aid services

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| Human rights and legal education (HRLE) shebikas | 181 |
| HRLE graduates | 950 |
| Legal aid clinics | 4 |

Community empowerment

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| Community-based organisation (polli shomaj) | 112 |
| Union-based organisation (union shomaj) | 7 |
| Popular theatre | 4 |

Water, sanitation and hygiene

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| Committee members | 1,221 |
| Loans for sanitary latrines | 750 |
| Sanitary latrines installed in school | 42 |