

Lakshmipur is a district in south-eastern Bangladesh. It is a part of Chittagong, with an area of 1,456 square kilometres. It is bordered by Chandpur on the north, Noakhali on the east, Bhola on the south and Barisal on the west. The main rivers in the area are the Meghna, Dakatia, Katakhal, Rahmatkhali and Bhulua.

BRAC has been implementing its core programmes such as microfinance, health, nutrition and population (HNPP), education (BEP), human rights and legal aid services (HRLS), and migration programme in this area. Among them, microfinance serves the highest number of clients (about 100,000) through dabi (microloan) and progoti (enterprise loans).



BRAC Microfinance V.O members participated at weekly microfinance meeting

## General information

Population	1,802,885
Unions	58
Villages	593
Children (0-15)	260,684
Primary schools	732
Literacy rate	62%
Hospitals	5
NGOs	43
Banks	62
Bazaars	474

## At a glance

(as of December, 2015)

### Microfinance

Village organisations	1,318
Members	71,494
Borrowers	35,664

### Progoti

Small enterprise clients	4,922
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### Education

Primary schools	77
Pre-primary schools	86
Adolescent development programme (ADP) centres	48
Community libraries	10

## Health, nutrition and population

Health workers (shasthya kormi)	123
Health volunteers (shasthya shebika)	1,230

## Human rights and legal aid services

Human rights and legal education (HRLE) shebikas	164
HRLE graduates	32,251
Legal aid clinics	4

## Migration

Unions	18
Communication officers	372