

Located in the centre of Bangladesh, Madaripur district lies under Dhaka division, and has an area of 1,145 square kilometres. The main rivers in the area are the Padma, Arial Khan and Kumar. It is bounded by Faridpur and Munshiganj districts on the north, Barisal district on the south, Shariatpur district on the east, and Gopalganj district on the west.

BRAC operates in Madaripur with 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), water, sanitation and hygiene (WASH), and migration programme.



Children attend a BRAC pre-primary school in a rural village of Bangladesh.

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General information

Population	1,212,198
Unions	59
Villages	1,069
Children (0-15)	473,241
Primary schools	711
Literacy rate	54%
Hospitals	4
NGOs	38
Banks	55
Bazaars	122

At a glance

(as of December, 2015)

Microfinance

Village organisations	1,462
Members	45,672
Borrowers	35,566

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Small enterprise clients	4,869
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Tenant farmers' development project

Village organisations	188
Money disbursed	103,237,000
Population covered	17,292

Health, nutrition and population

Health workers (shasthya kormi)	101
Health volunteers (shasthya shebika)	837

Community empowerment

Community-based organisation (polli shomaj)	144
Union-based organisation (union shomaj)	21
Popular theatre	4

Education

Primary schools	96
Pre-primary schools	66
Community libraries	59

Human rights and legal aid services

Human rights and legal education (HRLE) shebikas	300
HRLE graduates	40,590
Legal aid clinics	4

Water, sanitation and hygiene

Committee members	7,371
Sanitation coverage	81%
Deep tubewell installed	120

Targeting the ultra poor

Specially targeted ultra poor (STUP) members	683
Other targeted ultra poor (OTUP) members	830

Migration

Number of community-based organisation (CBO) facilitator	1
Number of unions	5
Number of volunteers	14