



WASH in Urban Areas

Since 2016, BRAC has been implementing “WASH in Urban Areas’ project in 35 Pourashavas. The project aims to provide sustainable access to sanitation and water in municipal towns, while also focusing on solid waste management and developing micro-entrepreneurs and supporting the local government to strengthen its service delivery mechanism.

What we do:

1. INCREASE HOUSEHOLD ACCESS TO SAFE DRINKING WATER AND IMPROVED SANITATION

Appropriate water technologies are promoted such as deep tube wells, rain water harvesting, and water treatment plants, and twin-pit latrines and septic tanks for hygienic sanitation in urban areas. We create demand by involving communities and provide WASH loans to households

2. DEVELOP WASH ENTREPRENEURS

WASH entrepreneurs are developed to support WASH markets and strengthen the supply chain. We provide financial services and technical support to water entrepreneurs and vendors, solid waste entrepreneurs and sanitation centers

3. WASTE MANAGEMENT

We develop solid waste entrepreneurs and connect them to communities which are not covered by the local government’s waste management services. We also operate a faecal sludge management plant in Jamalpur municipality in order to strengthen institutional capacity of local government for waste management

ACHIEVEMENT SNAPSHOT



43	water treatment plants and 129 water vendors developed
8488	improved household latrines installed
189	solid waste entrepreneurs developed
68	sanitation centers supported
604	deep tube wells installed
891	rain water harvesting systems established

“I am not very educated. I was constantly being let go from meagre jobs, and desperately needed a steady income for my family. One day a BRAC officer gave me the opportunity to become my own boss and run a business of collecting trash. They even offered a loan for me to purchase a van on installment. Now I make BDT 20,000 a month and will soon be making my last installment deposit.”

– Nur Hossain

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