

Located in the centre of Bangladesh, Faridpur district lies under Dhaka division, with an area of 2,073 square kilometres. The main rivers are the Padma, Old Kumar, Arial Khan, Gorai, Chandana, Bhubanshwar and Lohartek. It is bounded by Narail, Magura and Rajbari districts on the west, Rajbari and Manikganj districts on the north, Gopalganj district on the south, and Dhaka, Munshiganj and Madaripur districts on the east.

BRAC works at Faridpur with components such as microfinance, education (BEP), health, nutrition and population (HNPP), community empowerment (CEP), human rights and legal aid services (HRLS), gender, justice and diversity (GJD), migration, and skills development.

General information

Population	1,912,989
Unions	81
Villages	1,887
Children (0-15)	490,671
Primary schools	783
Literacy rate	44%
Hospitals	8
NGOs	72
Banks	66
Bazaars	63



An artisan putting intricate hand embroidery on clothes that are sold out of BRAC's chain of trendy handicraft stores, Aarong.

At a glance

(as of December, 2016)

Microfinance

Branches	39
Village organisations	2,237
Members	150,883
Borrowers	60,366

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Small enterprise clients	6,227
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Tenant farmers' development project

Village organisations	592
Money disbursed	716,257,000
Population covered	22,205

Education

Pre-primary schools	235
Primary Schools	256
Community libraries	53

Human rights and legal aid services

Human rights legal education (HRLE) <i>shebikas</i>	282
Number of legal aid clinics	8
HRLE graduates	1,250

Health, nutrition and population

Health volunteers (<i>shasthya shebika</i>)	917
Health workers (<i>shasthya kormi</i>)	93

Community empowerment

Community-based organisation (<i>polli shomaj</i>)	284
Union-based organisation (<i>union shomaj</i>)	30
Popular theatre teams	8
Human rights violation cases reported	120

Gender justice and diversity

MEJNIN

(meyeder jonne nirapad nagorikotta-safe citizenship for women)

Number of community watch groups	19
Community watch group members	285
Number of student watch group	20
Student watch group members	500

Migration

Number of safe migration facilitation centre (SMFC)	1
Number of community-based organisation (CBO) facilitators	4
Number of unions	23
Number of volunteers	23

Skills development

Number of master craft persons (MCPs)	76
Number of trades	7
Number of graduate learners	157
Number of learners	155

Social enterprises

Nursery	1
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