Located in the north of Bangladesh, Joypurhat district lies under Rajshahi division, with an area of 965 square kilometres. The main rivers are the Tulsi, Ganga and Haramati. It is bounded by Dinajpur district on the north, Naogaon district on the south, Bogra and Gaibandha districts on the east, and Bogra and Naogaon districts, and the Indian province of West Bengal on the west.

BRAC works at Joypurhat with components, 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), and the integrated development (IDP) programme.

At a glance
(as of December, 2016)

Microfinance
Branches  18
Village organisations  1,640
Members  40,480
Borrowers  37,799

Progoti
Small enterprise clients  6,212
Tenant farmers’ development project
Village organisations  598
Money disbursed  403,193,000
Population covered  10,921

Human rights and legal aid services
Human rights legal education (HRLE) shebikas  234
Number of legal aid clinics  5
HRLE graduates  44,674

Integrated development
Unions covered  5
Households covered  2,408
IGA training received  757
IGA support received  790
Education support received  502
Health support received  141

Health, nutrition and population
Health volunteers (shasthya shebika)  430
Health workers (shasthya kormi)  43
Health centre  1

Education
Pre-primary schools  81
Primary Schools  18
Shishu niketon schools  137
ADP centres  84
Community libraries (gonokendros)  44
Education support programme  77

A disable girl student of BRAC school got a wheel chair from children with special needs (CSN) under BRAC education programme in Joypurhat.
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