Located in the north of Bangladesh, Kurigram district lies under Rangpur division, with an area of 2,296 square kilometres. The main rivers are the Brahmaputra, Dharla, and Teesta. It is bounded by West Bengal of India on the north, Gaibandha district on the south, the Indian province of Assam on the east, and West Bengal of India, Rangpur and Lalmonirhat districts on the west.

BRAC works at Kurigram with components, such as microfinance, education (BEP), health, nutrition and population (HNPP), community empowerment (CEP), human rights and legal aid services (HRLS), skills development, and targeting the ultra poor (TUP) programme.

**At a glance**

**(as of December, 2016)**

**Microfinance**
- Branches: 25
- Village organisations: 1,905
- Borrowers: 42,644

**Progoti**
- Small enterprise clients: 1,835

**Tenant farmers' development project**
- Population covered: 1,050
- Money disbursed: 3,117,154

**Health, nutrition and population**
- Health workers (shasthya kormi): 176
- Health volunteers (shasthya shebika): 1,824
- Health centres: 2

**Human rights and legal aid services**
- Human rights and legal education (HRLE) shebikas: 51
- HRLE graduates: 38,612

**Community empowerment**
- Community-based organisation (poli shomaj): 250
- Popular theatres: 7

**Targeting the ultra poor**
- Specially targeted ultra poor (STUP) members: 32,479
- Other targeted ultra poor (OTUP) members: 653

**Skills development**
- Number of master craft persons (MCPs): 15
- Number of trades: 10
- Number of graduate learners: 40

**Education**
- Pre-primary schools: 156
- Primary schools: 29
- Shishu niketon schools: 145
- ADP centres: 187
- Community libraries: 37

**Social enterprises**
- Ayesha Abed Foundation (AAF): 1
- Total artisans: 300