

Situated by the bank of the famous river Padma, Rajbari district lies under Dhaka division, and has an area of 1,118 square kilometres. The other main rivers in the area are the Kumar, Garai, Madhumoti and Chandana. It is bounded by Pabna district on the north, Faridpur and Magura districts on the south, Manikganj district on the east, Kushtia and Jhenaidah districts on the west.



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Sitting on a colourful jute mat she participated to paint, a girl child writes in her textbook in a BRAC primary school in a rural village.

BRAC operates in Rajbari with quite a few programmes, such as microfinance, health, nutrition and population (HNPP), education (BEP), community empowerment (CEP), human rights and legal aid services (HRLS), and water, sanitation and hygiene (WASH).

General information

Population	1,049,778
Sub-districts	5
Unions	42
Villages	1,036
Children (0-15)	263,362
Primary schools	440
Literacy rate	52%
Hospitals	5
NGOs	59
Banks	58
Bazaars	86

At a glance

(as of December, 2016)

Microfinance

Branches	29
Village organisations	1,960
Members	114,800
Borrowers	46,621

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Small enterprise clients	5,151
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Tenant farmers' development project

Village organisations	439
Money disbursed	358,991,000
Population covered	13,324

Education

Pre-primary schools	140
Primary Schools	5
Shishu niketon schools	253
Community libraries	35
Education support programme	258

Human rights and legal aid services

Human rights legal education (HRLE) <i>shebikas</i>	219
Number of legal aid clinics	5
HRLE graduates	57,651
Complaints resolved	1,633

Health, nutrition and population

Health volunteers (<i>shasthya shebika</i>)	511
Health workers (<i>shasthya kormi</i>)	51
Health centre	1

Community empowerment

Community-based organisation (<i>polli shomaj</i>)	143
Union-based organisation (<i>union shomaj</i>)	22
Popular theatre teams	3
Human rights violation cases resolved	313