

Located in the north of Bangladesh, Lalmonirhat district lies under Rangpur division, and has an area of 1,241 square kilometres. It is bounded by West Bengal of India on the north, Rangpur district on the south, Kurigram district on the east, Nilphamari and Rangpur districts on the west. The main rivers in the area are the Dharla and Teesta.

BRAC operates in Lalmonirhat with a few programmes, such as microfinance, education (BEP), health, nutrition and population (HNPP), community empowerment (CEP), human rights and legal aid services (HRLS), ultra poor graduation (UPG), and skills development.



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A girl child stands outside a BRAC pre-primary school in a rural village.

## General information

Population	1,256,099
Unions	45
Villages	478
Children (0-15)	503,088
Primary schools	754
Literacy rate	44%
Hospitals	25
NGOs	57
Banks	42
Bazaars	101

## At a glance

(as of December, 2018)

### Microfinance

Branches	22
Village organisations	1,646
Members	72,640
Borrowers	46,250

### Progoti

Small enterprise clients	3,253
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### Education

Primary schools	57
Shishu niketon	32
Community libraries	50

### Health, nutrition and population

Health workers (shasthya kormi)	71
Health volunteers (shasthya shebika)	640

### Human rights and legal aid services

HRLE graduates	10,03,967
Legal aid clinics	5
Cases filed	1,280

## Ultra poor graduation

Group-1 Members	110
Group-2 Members	2,358
Asset Received	2,468
Healthcare availed	450
Group - 3 members	2,217
Asset received	2,217
Healthcare availed	325

## Community empowerment

Community-based organisation (polli shomaj)	200
Union-based organisation (union shomaj)	22
Popular theatre	5

## Skills development

Number of master craft persons (MCPs)	40
Number of trades	6
Number of learners	150