

Located in the north of Bangladesh, Nilphamari district lies under Rangpur division, and has an area of 1,547 square kilometres. The main rivers in the area are the Teesta, Jamuneshwari, Chikni and Dhaigan. It is bounded by India on the north, Rangpur district on the south, Lalmonirhat district on the east and Panchagarh and Dinajpur districts on the west.

BRAC operates in Nilphamari with quite 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 programme.



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Farmers are collecting potato from the field in Domar, Nilphamari.

General information

Population	1,907,497
Unions	60
Villages	378
Children (0-15)	503,787
Primary schools	940
Literacy rate	50%
Hospitals	9
NGOs	28
Banks	13
Bazaars	98

At a glance

(as of December, 2018)

Microfinance

Branches	30
Village organisations	4,542
Members	129,945
Borrowers	60,596

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Small enterprise clients	3,331
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Education

Pre-primary schools	76
Primary Schools	111
ADP centres	15
Community libraries	14

Human rights and legal aid services

Human rights legal education (HRLE) <i>shebikas</i>	346
Number of legal aid clinics	6
HRLE graduates	71,705

Health, nutrition and population

Health volunteers (<i>shasthya shebika</i>)	2,496
Health workers (<i>shasthya kormi</i>)	293

Community empowerment

Community-based organisation (<i>polli shomaj</i>)	218
Union-based organisation (<i>union shomaj</i>)	29
Popular theatre teams	6

Social enterprises

Nursery	1
Sanitary napkin and delivery kits centre	1
Artificial Insemination	1
Feed Mills	1