

Narsingdi is a district in central Bangladesh located 50 kilometres north-east of Dhaka, the capital city of Bangladesh. It is a part of the Dhaka division. The district is famous for its textile craft industry. Narsingdi is divided by six sub-districts with an area of 1,140 square kilometres.

Meghna, Shitalakkha, old Brahmaputra, Arial Kha, Haridhoa, Paharea are some of the main rivers that flow through this district. Narsingdi is a densely industrial area and is home to many textile mills. Narsingdi is also famous for its jute production and fruit production such as banana and sugarcane.



Students of BRAC's primary school in rural area.

BRAC has most of its core programmes running in the area, such as microfinance, education (BEP), community empowerment (CEP), health, nutrition and population (HNPP), human rights and legal aid services (HRLS), gender justice and diversity (GJD), migration, skills development, and water, sanitation and hygiene (WASH) programmes.

General information

Population	2,317,475
Sub-districts	6
Unions	71
Villages	1,060
Children (0-15)	602,543
Primary schools	724
Literacy rate	68%
Hospitals	7
NGOs	84
Banks	84
Bazaars	104

At a glance

(as of December 2019)

Microfinance

Branches	33
Village organisations	4,478
Members	202,001
Borrowers	64,645
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Small enterprise clients	10,493

Community empowerment

Community-based organisation (<i>polli shomaj</i>)	338
Union-based organisation (<i>union shomaj</i>)	43
Popular theatre groups	7
Human rights violation cases reported	87
Water, sanitation and hygiene	
Committee members	4,290
Sanitation coverage	87%
Subsidised latrines distributed	0

Education

Primary schools	31
<i>Shishu niketon</i> schools	35
Pre-primary schools	312
ADP centres	35
Community libraries (<i>gonokendros</i>)	44

Human rights and legal aid services

Human rights and legal education (HRLE) <i>shebikas</i>	211
HRLE graduates	88,422
Legal aid clinics	6
Cases filed	1,952
Complaints resolved	4,053

Gender justice and diversity

MEJNIN (*meyeder jonno nirapad nagorikotta* - safe citizenship for women)

Number of community watch groups (CWG)	24
CWG members	312
Number of students watch groups (SWG)	24
SWG members	600

Migration

Safe migration facilitation centre (SMFC)	1
Number of unions	54
Migration Centre	7
Number of volunteers	198

Skills development

Number of master craft persons (MCPs) in STAR	21
Number of trades	4
Number of graduate learners in STAR	382
Number of learners in PROGRESS	25

Health, nutrition and population

Health workers (<i>shasthya kormi</i>)	70
Health volunteers (<i>shasthya shebika</i>)	600

Social enterprises

Aarong production centre	1
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