

Located in the north of Bangladesh, Joypurhat district lies under Rajshahi division, with an area of 965 square kilometres. The main rivers are the Tulsī, Ganga and Haramati. It is bounded by Dinajpur district on the north, Naogaon district on the south, Bogra and Gaibandha districts on the east, and Bogra and Naogaon districts, and the Indian province of West Bengal on the west.

BRAC works at Joypurhat with components, 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 the integrated development (IDP) programme.



A disable girl student of BRAC school got a wheel chair from children with special needs (CSN) under BRAC education programme in Joypurhat.

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## General information

Population	950,441
Sub-districts	5
Unions	32
Villages	988
Primary schools	371
Literacy rate	64%
Hospitals	5
NGOs	48
Banks	14
Bazaars	56

## At a glance

(as of December, 2018)

### Microfinance

Branches	18
Village organisations	999
Members	58,660
Borrowers	48,884

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Small enterprise clients	4,712
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### Human rights and legal aid services

Human rights legal education (HRLE) <i>shebikas</i>	234
Number of legal aid clinics	5
HRLE graduates	46,243

## Integrated development

Unions covered	5
Households covered	2,408
IGA training received	1,262
IGA support received	1,262
Education support received	525
Health support received	75

## Health, nutrition and population

Health volunteers ( <i>shasthya shebika</i> )	430
Health workers ( <i>shasthya kormi</i> )	43
Health centre	1

## Education

<i>Shishu niketon</i> schools	38
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## Community empowerment

Community-based organisation ( <i>polli shomaj</i> )	130
Union-based organisation	

(union <i>shomaj</i> )	27
Popular theatre teams	5

### **Ultra poor graduation**

Group - 1 members	90
Group - 2 members	1,189
Assets and training received	1,189
Healthcare availed	82
Group - 3 members	651
Assets and training received	651
Healthcare availed	26

### **Social enterprises**

BRAC dairy and food project	
Chilling centres	2