

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 2018)

Microfinance

Branches	36
Village organisations	1,867
Members	76,000
Borrowers	44,916
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Small enterprise clients	6,655

Community empowerment

Community-based organisation (<i>polli shomaj</i>)	150
Union-based organisation (<i>union shomaj</i>)	27
Popular theatre groups	7
Human rights violation cases reported	921
Water, sanitation and hygiene	
Committee members	296
Sanitation coverage	77%
Subsidised latrines distributed	154

Education

Primary schools	93
<i>Shishu niketon</i> schools	69
Pre-primary schools	46
ADP centres	55
Community libraries (<i>gonokendros</i>)	69

Human rights and legal aid services

Human rights and legal education (HRLE) <i>shebikas</i>	211
HRLE graduates	86,727
Legal aid clinics	9
Cases filed	1,731
Complaints resolved	3,659

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	360

Migration

Safe migration facilitation centre (SMFC)	1
Number of unions	54
Migration Centre	7
Number of volunteers	154

Skills development

Number of master craft persons (MCPs)	26
Number of trades	5
Number of graduate students	280
Number of learners in PROGRESS	180

Health, nutrition and population

Health workers (<i>shasthya kormi</i>)	75
Health volunteers (<i>shasthya shebika</i>)	790

Social enterprises

Aarong production centre	1
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