

Located in central Bangladesh, Tangail is part of Dhaka division, 106 kilometres away from the capital city. The main rivers in this area are Jamuna, Dhaleshwari, Jhenai, Bangshi, Louhajang, Langulia, Elongjani, Jugni, Fotikjani and the Turag. Agriculture is the main source of income as the majority of the population is involved in farming.

BRAC operates most of its core programmes in the area including microfinance, education (BEP), health, nutrition and population (HNPP), community empowerment (CEP), human rights and legal aid services (HRLS), migration, and skills development programme. Among them, microfinance has reached the most number of clients through dabi (microloan), progoti (enterprise loans) and tenant farmers' development project. BEP's target interventions reach marginalised children, giving them access to informal education. CEP and HRLS are promoting legal empowerment, while HNPP is providing healthcare services to rural women and children. Migration is raising awareness about safe migration through its numerous activities. BRAC's new initiative, the skills development programme, is providing holistic skills development training and decent employment opportunities



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A group of women attend a health forum conducted by a health worker (shasthya shebika) of BRAC's health, nutrition and population programme (HNPP).

to enable young women and men to realise their full potential. Tourist attractions in Tangail include Atia Mosque, Sagardighi, Ichamati Dighi, and Nagarpur Dighi.

## General information

Population	3,947,036
Sub-districts	12
Unions	110
Villages	2,516
Children (0-15)	1,472,126
Primary schools	2,792
Literacy rate	51%
Hospitals	12
NGOs	88
Banks	51
Bazaars	457

## At a glance

(as of December, 2018)

### Microfinance

Branches	70
Village organisation	5,902
Members	233,614
Borrowers	110,706

### Progoti

Small enterprise clients	13,400
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### Education

Primary schools	1
Shishu niketon schools	53
ADP centres	30
Community libraries	110

## Health, nutrition and population

Health workers ( <i>shasthya kormi</i> )	64
Health volunteers ( <i>shasthya shebika</i> )	640

## Community empowerment

Community-based organisation ( <i>polli shomaj</i> )	392
Union-based organisation ( <i>union shomaj</i> )	78
Popular theatre	12
Human rights violation cases reported	293

## Human rights and legal aid services

HRLE graduates	117,417
Legal aid clinics	12

## Water, sanitation and hygiene

Committee Members	2,385
Sanitation Coverage	81%
Subsidized Latrines Distributed	1,448

## Skills development

Number of master craft persons (MCPs) in STAR	56
Number of trades	6
Number of graduate learners in STAR	110
Number of graduate learners in PROSPER	21
Number of graduate learners in PROMISE	190

## Social enterprises

Artificial Insemination	1
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