

HEALTHCARE FOR ALL

Rajshahi Nursing School, Bangladesh

Providing young people with a career and Bangladesh with healthcare

In their own words

‘Although I had learned the theory in class, it wasn’t until I went and lived in the villages for three days at a time that I really began to understand the great need in the communities..’

Helen Hasda, a student nurse at Rajshahi



Bangladesh factfile

Capital: Dhaka
Languages: Bangla (official, also known as Bengali), English
Religion: Muslim 83%, Hindu 16%, other 1%
Export: garments, jute and jute goods, leather, frozen fish and seafood
Life expectancy: 63 years (men), 65 years (women) (UN)

USPG in Bangladesh

In 1842, USPG (then SPG) sent its first missionary to north-east India, the region that became Bangladesh in 1971. Today, USPG supports a wide range of Church of Bangladesh programmes.

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Rajshahi is a city in northwestern Bangladesh, situated on the river Padma, close to Bangladesh’s border with India. It is an impoverished city, where young people often find it difficult to find employment. The Church of Bangladesh supports the Rajshahi Nursing School, which is training young men and women as nurses, providing them with an opportunity to pursue a career in healthcare. Qualified nurses go on to find work in clinics and hospitals, and often they are motivated to serve in rural communities, where healthcare is scarce. Based at the Rajshahi

Mission Hospital, the nursing school is affiliated to the Bangladesh Nursing Council. Forty students graduate each year. Helen Hasda, a student nurse says ‘I came to see that, for a person to be truly healthy, addressing their physical and even mental needs is not enough: their social and spiritual well-being must be considered too. Now I know the resources available in the community and can help the poorest people who are in great need.’ USPG is dedicated to supporting the community health programme at the Rajshahi Hospital.

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