

**HEALTHCARE FOR ALL**

# Jobarpar Health Programme, Bangladesh

*Providing rural communities with vital healthcare*

*‘Jobarpar Health Programme aims to provide a holistic approach by dealing with the wide range of issues which cause ill health.’*  
 Subash Chellaiah, Link Officer for Asia and Oceania



**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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Mortality rates are high in many parts of Bangladesh, largely due to a lack of medical personnel and a general understanding of health and hygiene. This situation is exacerbated in Jobarpar, a flood prone area, in the River Ganges delta, where there is widespread unemployment, poverty and malnutrition. In response, the Church of Bangladesh has launched the Jobarpar Health Programme that is focusing on areas where the government's response has been limited. However, the health programme works with local health officials where possible,

thus complementing, rather than duplicating, government health provision. There are four main strands to the health programme: community clinics; health awareness; an eye camp for the elderly; and the installation of hygienic latrines. The goal of the programme is to improve the quality of life for the people of Jobarpar. Through the Church of Bangladesh, USPG is supporting this programme in its efforts to combat ill health.

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