# Improving maternal and newborn health through participatory community groups in three rural districts in Bangladesh

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# Plain English summary of protocol

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# Type(s)

Scientific

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# Additional identifiers

**Protocol serial number** N/A

# Study information

Scientific Title

Improving maternal and newborn health through participatory community groups in three rural districts in Bangladesh: a cluster randomised controlled trial

## Acronym

**BADAS** (Perinatal Care Project)

## **Study objectives**

Will a community mobilisation intervention improve maternal and neonatal home care, service uptake, morbidity and mortality in three rural districts in Bangladesh?

## Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

# Ethics approval(s)

Not provided at the time of registration

## Study design

Cluster randomised controlled trial

## Primary study design

Interventional

## Study type(s)

Treatment

## Health condition(s) or problem(s) studied

Maternal and child health

#### **Interventions**

In each intervention cluster a facilitator will convene community groups to explore maternal and neonatal health issues. Groups will meet once or twice a month and move through action research cycles. The programme inputs can be itemised as:

- 1. Recruitment, training, supervisions and remuneration of facilitators. The role of the facilitator is to activate and strengthen groups, support them in identifying problems, help to plan possible solutions and support the implementation and monitoring of solution strategies in the community. Although she requires a grasp of health issues and some knowledge of potential interventions, she needs to be a facilitator rather than a teacher. As such, she may act as a broker of information and communication but her prime importance is as a catalyst for community mobilisation
- 2. Development of tools for conducting group meetings, process evaluation and documentation
- 3. Recruitment, training, supervision and remuneration of a supervisory cadre to support the community-based facilitators

There is no follow-up period after the intervention ends. The intervention is a community mobilisation intervention, which only occurs in the intervention clusters. All clusters, control and intervention, receive health system strengthening activities.

## Intervention Type

Other

## Phase

## Not Applicable

## Primary outcome(s)

Neonatal and maternal mortality rates, measured prospectively from 1st February 2005 until the end of the trial (31 December 2007).

## Key secondary outcome(s))

- 1. Maternal and neonatal home care practices
- 2. Utilisation of antenatal, delivery and postnatal services

All outcomes measured prospectively from 1st February 2005 until the end of the trial (31 December 2007).

## Completion date

31/12/2007

# **Eligibility**

# Key inclusion criteria

Women (no defined age range) who reside in 18 communities during the study period.

## Participant type(s)

**Patient** 

## Healthy volunteers allowed

No

## Age group

Other

### Sex

**Female** 

# Key exclusion criteria

- 1. Women who decline to be interviewed or reside outside the study area
- 2. Women residing in a Tea Estate

### Date of first enrolment

01/02/2005

## Date of final enrolment

31/12/2007

# Locations

## Countries of recruitment

United Kingdom

England

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University College London (UCL) Institute of Child Health
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# Sponsor information

## Organisation

University College London (UCL) Institute of Child Health (UK)

### **ROR**

https://ror.org/02jx3x895

# Funder(s)

# Funder type

Research organisation

## **Funder Name**

Department for International Development (DFID) (UK) (ref: RPC HD5)

# **Results and Publications**

Individual participant data (IPD) sharing plan

# IPD sharing plan summary

Not provided at time of registration

## **Study outputs**

Output type	Details	Date created	Date added	Peer reviewed?	Patient-facing?
Results article	results	03/04/2010		Yes	No