

**Growth Trend and Regression Characteristics of Head and
Face Physical Traits of Vadabalija Boys of North Coastal
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ABSTRACT A cross-sectional study was undertaken in rural schools situated in the Bheemunipatnam and Anandapuram Mandals of Visakhapatnam District of Andhra Pradesh during January, 1986 to June, 1987. The sample consisted of 845 healthy Vadabalija boys aged 1-20 years. In this paper regression characteristics on head length, head breadth, morphological facial height, bizygomatic diameter, nose height and nose breadth are presented including patterns of change in these physical traits with advancing age.