

A Note on Selection Intensity Among the Muslims of a Calcutta Slum

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ABSTRACT In this study the value of the index of opportunity for selection with its mortality and fertility components are reported; and have been compared with the published data on their rural counterparts. The data have been collected from Muslims of a Calcutta slum. The result shows that the Muslims of Calcutta have lower fertility and mortality but higher selection pressure (I).