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Comparative Study of Skinfold Thickness of Adolescent Mahishya Girls of Howrah District, West Bengal

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ABSTRACT Amount of subcutaneous fat has particular role in adolescent role in growth. Extensive work on skinfold thickness of adolescent girls of our country is still lacking. The present study reports biceps and triceps skinfolds thickness of 194 girls aged 11 through 15 years, belonging to the Mahishya caste of the Bengali Hindu society. The data have been compared with other studies from Howrah, Calcutta and Delhi. From comparison it appears that all the samples differ considerably, in both biceps and triceps skinfolds thickness.