

Environmental Constraints, Health and Population Trends Among The Muslim Gujjars of Himachal Pradesh, India

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ABSTRACT A study has been carried out among the Muslim Gujjars of Himachal Pradesh in relation to population, health and environmental constraints. This study shows that a number of behavioural and environmental variables such as altitude, climate, transhumance, etc, influence the population growth and development of Muslim Gujjars in the Himalayan eco-system. Like the Muslim populations elsewhere in India, the Muslim Gujjars of Himachal Pradesh show trends of high fertility and high mortality. These findings have been discussed with reference to current population control measures in India