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Family Type, Fertility and Mortality : A Study Among The Ahoms of Assam

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ABSTRACT The present note deals with family type, on the one hand, and fertility and mortality, on the other, of the Ahoms, a Tai Monogoloid population of upper Assam. The data show that the nuclear family registers a higher total fertility rate as well as fetal wastages over the joint family. The analysis also shows that the urban Ahom couple exhibit relatively lower average birth rates compared to rural Ahom couples.