

**Opportunity for Natural Selection Among The Dalu of West
Garo Hills, Meghalaya**

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ABSTRACTThe index of total opportunity for selection based on differential fertility and mortality has been worked out for the Dalu of West Garo Hills, Meghalaya. From the analysis, it emerges out that the total selection intensity in this population is moderate and operates more through differential mortality than through differential fertility. The total selection intensity as per the formula given by Johnston and Kensinger (1971) is found to be slightly higher than what is found following the Crow's formula (1958).