

## **Prevalence of Intestinal Parasitic Infestations Among Two Squatter Settlement Populations of Calcutta**

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**ABSTRACT** Investigation on intestinal parasitic infestation has been carried out on 78 Hindus and 84 Muslim mothers, and on 91 Hindu and 97 Muslim children, living in a squatter settlement in Calcutta. The overall prevalence is higher among the Hindu mothers and children than their Muslim counterparts in general. But, the prevalence of *Ascaris lumbricoides* alone and in association with other intestinal parasites is higher among the Muslims mothers and children than their Hindu counterparts.