

Opportunity of Natural Selection among the Koraga Tribe of Karnataka

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ABSTRACT Among the Koraga tribe of Karnataka. Crow's index of opportunity of Selection (I) is 0.336. This is the lowest value reported so far tribal populations of India. Mortality Component (I_m) is (0.075) also the lowest value among the Koraga. They have a mean live birth of 3.97. The percentage of fertility component is more than 3 times to that of mortality component. Thus natural selection operates with low intensity through differential fertility rather than differential mortality.