

A Study on Fertility and Its Socio-Demographic Determinants among Rural Population of West Godavari District, Andhra Pradesh

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ABSTRACT The present paper reports the degree of fertility and its socio-demographic correlated among rural inhabitants of West Godavari district, Andhra Pradesh. Majority of respondents are having 2 or 3 children. The association of various social and demographic characteristics of the respondents with fertility was studied. The analysis reveals a positive and significant association between number of children and age of the respondent. Age at marriage has significant inverse association with fertility. Though other variables such as education, income, age at first child, caste, occupation, etc. showed association with fertility, they are not significant. The results are discussed along with other fertility studies from India.