Birth Control Practices Among the Bhatra Women

Manjula Guha, Moyna Chakravorty and Jaya Mukherjee


ABSTRACT Bhatra are a primitive tribe of Bastar and are akin to the Gonds. Bastar is the largest district of Chhattisgarh state. The data have been collected from Jagdalpur tahsil of Bastar district. The methods adopted by the Bhatra women for birth control have been discussed in the present paper. The results reveal that the Bhatras depend on the imperative or rational use of herbs even today inspite of tremendous influence of modern thought and ideas.

Authors’ Address: Manjula Guha, Moyna Chakravorty and Jaya Mukherjee, School of Studies in Anthropology, Pt. Ravishankar shukla University, Raipur 492 010, Madhya Pradesh, India