

Socio-demographic Characteristics of Semi-nomadic Lohar-Gadiyas of Malthon Town of Sagar District, Madhya Pradesh

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ABSTRACT The paper presents some aspects of the demographic characteristics of the Lohar-Gadiyas of Malthon town of Sagar district, Madhya Pradesh. The findings indicate that majority of population is illiterate and poor. The population indices are lagging behind the state population. The fertility and mortality level are high. The infant mortality rate is quite high. Acceptance of family welfare is almost nil. Under these circumstances it is highly desirable to take step for reducing infant mortality by improving mother and child health services and by increasing acceptance of family welfare devices.