

## **Natural Selection Intensity among Chembadi: An Endogamous Population of Andhra Pradesh**

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**ABSTRACT** Information pertaining to fertility and mortality were collected from 240 Chembadi married women (in the age range of 15 to 40 years) belonging to Nellore District, Andhra Pradesh. Based on the data collected, natural selection intensity indices were computed as per the methods described by Crow, Johnston and Kesinger. The results are compared with other endogamous populations of the state and presented here in this paper.