

A Path-Analysis on the Multiple Determinants of Infant Mortality among the Oraons

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ABSTRACT The present study examines the total effect as well as the direct and indirect effects of the independent variables viz., type of family, socio-economic status, mother's age at marriage, type of delivery attendant, hygiene and health status of mother on infant mortality on the basis of a sample study of 600 Oraon couples of central India. The type of delivery attendant emerged as the single most important determinant of infant mortality differentials among the Oraons.