



Tribal Fertility, Morality and Health Care Practices

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Mittal Publications, New Delhi, 2000. N.A. Book Condition: New. Xvi+132pp The tribals are believed to be the earliest among the present inhabitants of the country. The formation of India's population indicates that the ancestors of most of the inhabitants of the country came from outside. They lived in isolation for centuries with their culture, tradition and benefits and formed the group of indigeneous people called 'tribals'. Social scientists, especially the anthropologists have studied extensively the social, cultural, political and economic life of tribes including their language and physical characteristics. But very little attempt has been made to study their demographic behaviour. The present book focuses on demographic behaviour of Jenu Kuruba and Kadu Kuruba tribes inhabiting the hilly and forest areas of the state of Karnataka. They are known by different names in different parts of peninsular India. The information gathered include cultural and social aspects covering education, family size, family type, age at marriage, multiple marriage, birth history of a woman, contraception, abortion, birth interval, occupation, income perception of infant and childhood mortality and health care practices among tribals. The book will be of immense use to anthropologists, social scientists and to several researchers and social workers including NGO's...

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