PREFACE.

Physical Anthropology, a biological science is a very large subject. It is difficult to cover this in all respects. Combined study of the morphological and genetical methods in anthropology divides the human beings in different population, the ethnic groups. Ours is a country having different ethnic groups, where people differ with regard to their physical characteristics and cultural traits.

The present study entitled ' Anthropogenetic study of Kondha, Orissa' would throw some light on morphological and genetical aspects of Kondha tribe of Orissa, as no study has been made so far on the genetic aspect of this Tribe. The object of the study is to find out the genetic composition of Kondha and to determine to what extent they resemble or differ from the neighbouring population as well as some of the population groups of India.

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