

## ARE GAROS POORER THAN AVERAGE NATIONAL LEVEL IN BANGLADESH?

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### ABSTRACT

The aim of the study was to assess the poverty likelihood of Garo ethnic community in Sherpur, Bangladesh. Scorocs® Simple Poverty Scorecard® was used to estimate the scorecard values from 70 respondents. Estimated average value of Simple Poverty Scorecard® was 43.47 which imply that the community had 76.4% (Intl. 2011 PPP, \$1.90) and 96.5% (Intl. 2011 PPP, \$3.10) chance of living below the poverty line. The result is far away from the national current poverty level which is a warning for sustainable economic development.