



THE FOREST ALLIANCE

Every year 150,000 hectares of forest are destroyed in the Peruvian Amazon due to agriculture, infrastructure and cattle ranching. Peru's indigenous communities are one of the largest landholders and manage a significant portion of the Amazon forests. The Forest Alliance supports indigenous communities in Ucayali conserve and manage their forested lands under an innovative model with the private sector.

HOW DOES THE ALLIANCE WORK?

The Forest Alliance works with Cacataibo and Shipibo Conibo Indigenous Peoples in the Peruvian Amazon to implement a holistic approach for communal forests management, which empower indigenous men and women for sustainable development and climate change mitigation.

The Alliance provides technical assistance to seven indigenous communities through capacity building, equipment and social capital strengthening for land and forest management activities including surveillance and forest control and the development of sustainable economic activities such as timber and non-timber forest production, agroforestry, forest plantations and handcrafting. In addition, it facilitates the strengthening of land tenure security and communal governance as key enabling conditions for forest management. It is also engaging private and public sector stakeholders as partners of the indigenous communities to develop the Community Forest Management (CFM) approach, implement sustainable inclusive businesses and scale-up the initiative in other communities.

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RESULTS ACHIEVED

- 380 hectares with improved environmental conditions through land and forest restoration with native species in seven indigenous community lands.
- 120,000 hectares under improved natural resource management, through CFM in seven indigenous communities' lands.
- 350 indigenous families with capacities for business improved livelihoods.
- 4 sustainable inclusive business models developed by organized indigenous communities in partnership with private sector, strengthening communities' economies.
- 7 control and surveillance community committees in operation and ensuring the conservation of their territories.
- 1 community-based mechanism for monitoring, verification and report of deforestation in operation that will provide information to the Ministry of Environment.
- 1 CFM model with an inclusive approach and business-oriented, in process of replication in 23 communities in Ucayali region.
- 1 network of private and public sector partners collaborating with the CFM model implementation.

PROJECT INFORMATION

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