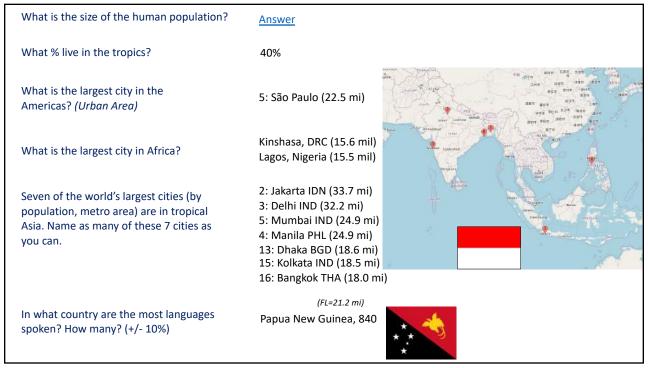




Vanilla planifolia
Native Range: Southern Mexico-Northern South America





Forest Peoples

Peoples who live in and have customary rights to their forests and have developed ways of life and traditional knowledge that are attuned to their forest environments.

Forest peoples depend primarily and directly on the forest both for subsistence and trade in the form of fishing, hunting, shifting agriculture, the gathering of wild forest products and other activities.

>500 million forest-dependent people of which
200 million are indigenous peoples



Indigenous people

no universal definition BUT can think of as:

"descendants of those who inhabited a country or a geographical region at the time when peoples of different cultures or ethnic origins arrived."

Relevant (legal and ethical) considerations:

- 1) priority in time with respect the occupation and use of a specific territory $% \left(1\right) =\left(1\right) \left(1\right) \left$
- 2) the voluntary perpetuation of cultural distinctiveness (may include language, social organization, religion and spiritual values, modes of production, laws and institutions)
- 3) self-identification, as well as recognition by other groups, or by State authorities, as a distinct collective, and;
- 4) an experience of subjugation, exclusion or discrimination, whether or not these conditions persist.



