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

*The Natives

Indigenous people dependent on tropical forests

Africa

The Aka (Central African Republic and northern Congo), Baka or BaAka (southern Cameroon), and Twa (central Congo river basin). *Approx 130,000-170,000, low pop. density*

Asia

Mostly in remote parts of Malay peninsula, Borneo, the Andaman islands, the Philippines (Palawan island), and New Guinea.

Americas

An estimated 7-10 million Amerindians (the term for American Indigenous peoples) lived in American rainforests



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Relevant (legal and ethical) considerations:

- 1. Priority in time with respect the occupation and use of a specific territory
- 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.





















