Impact Management with Indigenous Peoples of a Mining Company in Brazil

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Vale and Indigenous Peoples

Indigenous Peoples:
- Gavião (3)
- Xikrin
- Kayapó
- Artisanal Fishermen: 5

Traditional Communities - BR
- 13 Indigenous Peoples
- 53 Traditional Communities - BR
- + 20 Specialists dedicated + external advisor

Indigenous Peoples - BR
- 3 Artisanal Fishermen
- 2 Quilombola Communities
- 1 Riverside Community

Indigenous Peoples:
- Tupiniquim
- Guarani
- 1 Quilombola Community

Indigenous Peoples:
- Krenak
- Pataxó
- Pataxó Hâ-hâ-hae
- 11 Quilombola Communities

Indigenous Peoples:
- Awá – Guajá
- Guajajará
- Ka’a’por
- 17 Quilombola Communities
- 12 Coconut Breakers
- 1 Romany

Indigenous Peoples:
- Quilombola Communities:
  - Krenak
  - Pataxó
  - Pataxó Hâ-hâ-hae
  - 11

Quilombola Communities:
- 12 Coconut Breakers
- 1 Riverside Community

Quilombola Communities:
- 1 Romany

Quilombola Communities:
- 11

Coconut Breakers:
- 12

Riverside Community:
- 1

Specialists dedicated + external advisor:
- + 20

Map showing the locations of the indigenous peoples in Canada, Brazil, Peru, and Chile.
Pillars of the Strategy for the Relationship with Indigenous Peoples

**Trust Relationship**
- Maintenance of structured and transparent dialogue
- Acting in compliance with the FPIC
- Expansion of bilateral knowledge between Indigenous Peoples and companies
- Efficient management of risks, impacts and grievances
- Engagement with strategic stakeholders
- Emergency support and for specific actions.

**Autonomy and Resilience of Indigenous Peoples**
- Contribution to the organization and structuring for access to the general set of indigenous rights – Development of Consultation Protocols, Territorial and Environmental Management Plans and/or Life Plans
- Support for initiatives related to specific rights (health, education, culture, territorial protection and ethnodevelopment)
- Support for institutional strengthening and internal governance.

**Mutual Benefits**
- Conclusion of long-term agreements, containing commitments that guarantee the sustainability of peoples and businesses, and with shared governance structures for their management
- Contribution to the creation of indigenous capacity aiming at business partnerships (employment, supply of inputs and provision of services).
Who are the Xikrin People?

- First contact in the 1960s, with 1 village (340 Indigenous).
- Indigenous Land demarcated in December 1991
- Subgroup of the Jê language, belonging to the linguistic tree of the Kayapó subgroup (Mebêngôkre)
- Indigenous Peoples have difficulty understanding the Portuguese language and still struggle to understand legal aspects and techniques
- Lifestyles with agricultural practices, gathering, hunting and consumption of industrialized goods.

439 hectares of Indigenous Land

~1500 Indigenous

21 villages
Vale and the Xikrin do Cateté People

Distance from Indigenous Territory

- Onça Puma ~ 6 km
- Sossego ~ 42 km
- N4/N5 ~ 45 km
- S11D ~ 11 km
- Salobo ~ 27 km
- Alemão ~ 13 km
Timeline of the conflict

**Carajas**
Stoppage of Carajas operations and first lawsuit

**S11D**
Judicialization of the relationship between Indigenous Peoples and S11D

**Alemão Ig. Bahia**
Judicialization of the relationship between Indigenous Peoples and Alemão and Bahia

**Onça Puma**

2006
Onça Puma
Judicialization of the relationship between Indigenous Peoples and Onça Puma

2009
Salobo
Judicialization of the relationship between Indigenous Peoples and Salobo

2016
Onça Puma
New lawsuit questioning the environmental licensing and request royalty outside Indigenous Land

2018
Salobo
Judicialization of the relationship between Indigenous Peoples and Salobo

2020
Onça Puma
Approval of the environmental licensing Plan and its implementation

2020
Onça Puma
Signing of the Transitional Agreement to close the Lawsuits

2021
Onça Puma
Signing of Environmental and Socioeconomic Agreements to close the Lawsuits

2021

2022

2022
Voluntary programs

- “Me-Kukrodjo-tum” and “Benadjuro-tum” books in support of the Xikrin do Cateté People
- Memorial to Chief BepKaroti Xikrin do Cateté in partnership with IBX
- Xikrin arquives at the Laboratory of Image and Sound in Anthropology/USP with Prof. Lux Vidal

Agreement

- Productive actions
- Infrastructure
- Health
- Feeding
- Education
- Culture Heritage
- Transport
- Fund for Future Generations

Compensation/Mitigation measures

- Institutional Strengthening
- Cultural Heritage
- Ethnodevelopment
- Support for the collection of Brazilian nuts
- Dam safety measures

Começou o período de coleta de castanha-do-para pelo povo Xikrin. Valorizamos essa tradição e convivemos, juntos, com respeito e sensibilidade.
Since 2021, Vale has taken a new stance in relation to the Indigenous Peoples with whom it has a relationship.

The company argues that mining on Indigenous Lands can only be carried out with the Free, Prior and Informed Consent (FPIC) of the Indigenous People themselves.

Its Social Ambition was announced: to contribute to all indigenous communities neighboring our operations in the elaboration and execution of their plans based on the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (UNDRIP).
40 years of Vale and Xikrin engagement

In 2022, Vale completed 40 years of relationship with the Xikrin, a joint history that is equivalent to half of the company's existence.

We worked towards the conclusion of the Lawsuits brought by these Indigenous Peoples, after years of negotiation.

The moment marked a new chapter in the history of the engagement between Vale and the Xikrin, based on a solid and trusting partnership, which values commitment and respect for the culture and history of these Indigenous People.

NOTE: The term “peoples” used in these premises specifically involves the scope of the group with which Vale maintains a relationship, which can be the whole of a “people” or part of it, as is the case of the Guajajara, whose relationship Vale has focused on two “groups” (inhabitants of the Pindaré River IL and the Caru IL).
Let’s continue the conversation!
Post questions and comments in the IAIA24 app.

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