



Agra zero deforestation policy

Deforestation is affecting wild animals, plants and humans via soil erosion, water cycle disruption, habitat loss, and greenhouse gas emissions, which contribute to global climate change.

Agra's Sustainability Pledge is to bring smiles to everyday life with products better for you and better for the planet. Through our companies, Stryhns, Foodmark and Mills, Agra will continue to contribute to more sustainable agriculture, fish production, decent working conditions and animal welfare throughout our supply chain

In this regard Agra is committed to preserving the rainforest and other protected natural forests by only sourcing raw ingredients and packaging materials which are not contributing to deforestation.

Responsible sourcing involves identifying potentials risks and managing those risks through policies and requirements in close dialogue with suppliers.

What are the high-risk materials for Agra?

- **Soya** is used as a protein source and as an emulsifier in many of our products. The suppliers of these raw materials must document that farming does not contribute to deforestation.
- **Oils and fats** are an integral part of many of Agra's products, mainly rape seed oil from northern Europe. Agra has a close dialogue with major European suppliers to ensure that the cultivation, harvesting and processing of coconut and shea oils are not in rain forest areas. This dialogue will continue in 2020.
- Agra is dependent on packaging made from **pulp and paper** to transport food to shops. All suppliers of cardboard packaging to Agra are using materials certified according to the Forest Stewardship Council (FSC). Where possible recycled materials are used.
- Agra is using ingredients based on **fruit, vegetables and cereals** grown in many parts of the world and which are often supplied through traders and agents.



What is Agra doing?

- Agra does not source palm oil. Derivatives of palm oil may be used in small amounts, provided that the palm oil from which they are derived has been certified.
- Agra has drawn up a Supplier Code of Conduct which states in article 11.1
 - *Measures to minimize adverse impacts on human health and the environment shall be taken throughout the value chain. This includes minimizing pollution, promoting an efficient and sustainable use of resources, including energy and water, and minimizing greenhouse gas emissions in production and transport. The local environment at the production site shall not be exploited or degraded. All suppliers must adhere to this Code of Conduct when entering into a contract with Agra. We also expect that companies supplying agreed goods and services to Agra ensure that suppliers in their supply chains are working in accordance with the Code of Conduct.*
- As a part of a general responsible sourcing strategy which addresses all areas of sustainability, Agra is evaluating all materials to identify high risk areas associated with deforestation. An internal assessment tool has been developed for this evaluation and will be used in conjunction with the Sedex Risk Assessment Tool RADAR.
 - The suppliers of deforestation high-risk materials in the categories; soya, oils and fats, and pulp/paper will be followed up to document the traceability of their supply chain by the end of 2020.
 - Survey of suppliers of meat, dairy and poultry-based products to assess the traceability, deforestation risk regarding the feed used.
 - Agra will carry out an evaluation of the fruit, vegetables and cereals in 2020 to identify high-risk materials. The suppliers of these high-risk materials will be followed up to document the traceability of their supply chain by the end of 2021.
- Agra is establishing a set of relevant requirements for certification or documentation for high-risk materials and will engage with suppliers to ensure that these requirements are being followed and to discuss how to resolve eventual deforestation issues.
- Agra is also working closely with organizations actively involved in the prevention of deforestation:
 - Round Table for Responsible Soy
 - Global Shea Alliance
 - Ethical Trade Initiative Norway

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