



Fazenda Sebastian/Fazenda Princesa Sarah

Location: between IPIXUNA DO PARÁ and TOMÉ AÇU municipalities in PARÁ

Biome: Amazon (Brazil)

Area property (ha): 2,903

Coordinates: -2.64503, -48.02603

Cleared Area

1,192

hectares

Period clearance:

September 2023 and
March 2024

Type of vegetation:

Lowland Ombrophilus
Dense Forest

676,011

tons of CO₂



Dados do Imóvel no CAR
Nome do imóvel: FAZENDA SAN SEBASTIAN
Número do recibo: PA-1500001-664740B89F214...
Área: 1.484,70 ha
Status: SUSPENSO
GERAR BASE DE REFERÊNCIA
FICHA DO IMÓVEL

→ JUAREZ MATHIAS DE CASTRO

Dados do Imóvel no CAR
Nome do imóvel: FAZENDA PRINCESA SARAH
Número do recibo: PA-15003457-051D48692D034...
Área: 2.903,23 ha
Status: CANCELADO
GERAR BASE DE REFERÊNCIA
FICHA DO IMÓVEL

→ BRASIL BIO FUELS REFLORESTAMENTO
INDUSTRIA E COMERCIO S/A

Dados do Imóvel no CAR
Nome do imóvel: FAZENDA PRINCESA SARAH
Número do recibo: PA-15003457-AB1248D9CC904...
Área: 2.903,23 ha
Status: SUSPENSO
GERAR BASE DE REFERÊNCIA
FICHA DO IMÓVEL

→ VALE S/A

Dados do Imóvel no CAR
Nome do imóvel: Fazenda Conquista
Número do recibo: PA-1500001-F547C011D0974...
Área: 3.600,89 ha
Status: ATIVO
GERAR BASE DE REFERÊNCIA
FICHA DO IMÓVEL

→ ANTONIO JOSE MAGALHAES ALMEIDA

Imagery: Overlapping Brazil Rural Environmental Registry (CAR) registrations. Source: [CAR SEMAS Pará](#)

Imagery: Before (above) and after (below) clearing images of Fazenda San Sebastian/Fazenda Princesa Sarah between September 2023 and March 2024 Source: AidEnvironment, Imagery © 2025 Planet Labs PBC.



Fazenda Sebastian/Fazenda Princesa Sarah

Ownership & Business relationship

Owner:

Brasil Biofuels (BBF)
(former Biopalma)

Mondelēz response:

The company did not respond after repeated requests in November 2025.

Environmental fines, embargoes, and suspensions

Embargoes and environmental fines:

There is incomplete information on ownership linked to this farm in the SIGEF cadaster information system to assess embargoes and fines.

Case description

AidEnvironment detected 1,192 hectares of clearing of native vegetation in this farm that is registered under the name of Fazenda San Sebastian in Brazil's SIGEF system, and Fazenda Princesa Sarah in the Rural Environmental Registry (CAR). Brasil Biofuels (BBF) and Vale are among the self-declared owners of this latter property in the CAR (see also previous page), although their CARs are cancelled (1). Chain Reaction Research (CRR) in 2021 revealed that buyers of Brasil BioFuels (BBF, formerly Biopalma) palm oil products are exposed to deforestation, pollution, and social impacts (2). In 2020, BBF acquired Biopalma da Amazônia, the palm oil arm of mining company Vale, making it the largest producer of palm oil in Latin America (3). The transaction fits BBF's plans to expand oil palm cultivation in the states of Roraima and Pará, to expand its power generation capacity with palm oil as feedstock in the Amazon basin. The 2021 CRR research showed how BBF has cleared a total of 667 ha on its properties between August 2008 and July 2020, with 76 percent (506 ha) of the total deforestation taking place in reserved and permanent preservation areas (2). This new analysis in 2025 demonstrates that BBF continued to deforest and expand between 2023 and 2024 in Pará, after the EUDR and Mondelēz deforestation cut-off date of December 2020.

Other than environmental impacts, the company is tied to forced dispossession of land and related land disputes. Biopalma lands that are now part of BBF were bought from intermediaries that did not have legitimate claims on the lands, leading to numerous conflicts with local communities (4). The estimated 17,000 ha of Biopalma's landholdings in Moju, Acará, Concórdia do Pará and Tomé-Açu are "undocumented or have illegitimately acquired land titles" (5). Similarly, a report of the Instituto Nacional de Colonização e Reforma Agrária (INCRA) estimates that 37 percent of Biopalma's oil palm plantations in Concórdia do Pará were formerly owned by smallholder farmers. This has resulted in land conflicts with farming, indigenous and quilombola communities (6), reports of threats to farmers since BBF overtook Biopalma, falsification of documents, and even alleged torture of farmers by an armed group of BBF (7). In response, BBF states that it had to hire a security team to protect its staff from "constant attacks and threats," reportedly "from isolated leaders who do not represent the communities." (*Ibid.*) In 2023, the Brazilian Human Rights Council asked banks to suspend finance to BBF (8).

Both 'Biopalma da Amazonia' mills 1 and 2 (now owned by BBF) are listed as Tier-2 suppliers of Mondelēz in its latest palm oil mill list (updated in January 2025), indirectly supplied through Tier-1 supplier Bunge (9). Keeping those mills in a public palm oil mill list while the company may no longer source from them may reveal that Mondelēz' due diligence is incomplete and non-transparent, while making it difficult for watchdogs' organisations to track sustainability progress and compliance publicly.

- (1) Rural Environmental Registry (CAR) Pará, online: <https://car.semam.pa.gov.br/#/>, viewed in October 2025.
- (2) Chain Reaction Research (2021), online: <https://chainreactionresearch.com/report/palm-oil-production-in-brazilian-amazon-threatens-ndpe-commitments>, viewed in October 2025.
- (3) ICOCA, online: https://icoca.ch/es/case_studies_topic/brasil/, viewed in October 2025.
- (4) Repórter Brasil, online: <https://reporterbrasil.org.br/2012/12/denuncias-de-violencia-e-trabalho-escravo-envolvem-cultura-do-dende-no-para>
- (5) CIFOR, online: https://www.cifor.org/publications/pdf_files/WPapers/WP198CIFOR.pdf
- (6) Rio on Watch (2019), online: <https://rioonwatch.org/?p=52631>, viewed in October 2025.
- (7) O Liberal (2021), online: <https://www.oliberal.com/politica/alepa-e-ctp-cobram-investigacao-sobre-a-bbf-1.447660>, viewed in October 2025.
- (8) Forest & Finance (2023), online: <https://forestsandfinance.org/news/brazilian-human-rights-council-asks-banks-to-suspend-finance-to-brasil-biofuels/>
- (9) Mondelēz palm oil mill list 2023 (updated 20 January 2025), online: <https://www.mondelezinternational.com/assets/Snacking-Made-Right/ESG-Topics/Palm-Oil/MDLZ-Palm-Oil-Mill-List.pdf>.