The Amazon rainforest (Amazonia) ranks #1 among the biggest forests in the world, covering around

2.1 MILLION SQUARE MILES

70%

of people in the Andes Mountains live in poverty

DUE TO POVERTY & HIGH BIRTH RATES there are many children who have been abandoned or live on the streets 17%

Of children do not finish secondary school

NATIVE PEOPLES' RIGHTS

are being unrecognized + overridden, & children are harassed + unprotected. These children confront many obstacles such as fundamental rights to education, health care, & an identity Most children have difficult, exhausting, & extremely dangerous work.

They work in plantations, waste disposal centers, traveling markets or mines. Some risk their lives daily in terrible conditions & earn mere pennies.

CHILDREN ARE FORCED INTO PROSTITUTION OR DRUG DEALING

CHILD LABOR

20-30% OF CHILDREN IN PERU MUST WORK IN ORDER TO HELP THEIR FAMILIES 25%

Of women are illiterate in rural areas