

RAS Supply Landscape

Introduction

This document presents an overview of the current and projected RAS supply situation in Peru since the RAS 1.0 was launched in 2021.

Please note that where projections are made, these are conservative and based on the current supply landscape. A strong demand signal from brands has the ability to greatly accelerate the rate of adoption.

Details are also provided of key material providers for each country. Please note that full listings of all certified producers are available on the RAS website.

RAS Peruvian Supply

Several producers in Peru have achieved RAS certification. As of June 2023, the approximate production is 470 tons of certified fiber. There is a projected 20% increase by 2024, as RAS implementation among Peruvian farmers is rapidly growing. There are currently 570 “alpaqueros” certified or finalizing the process of certification.

The list of certified material providers as of May 2023 are:

- Andean Pastoral Livelihood Initiative (PASTORIL)
- Clasificadora de Lanas Macedo SAC (CLAMASAC)
- Consorcio Alpaquero Peru Export (CALPEX)
- Cooperativa de Produccion y Servicios Especiales de los productores de Camelidos Andinos Ltda (COOPECAN)
- Inalpaca Textiles Peruanos de Exportación SA (Inalpaca)
- Incatops SA (Incatops)
- Michell y CIA SA. (Michell)

Pastoril

The Andean Pastoral Livelihood Initiative is a social enterprise that revitalizes high Andean communities' culture, livelihoods, and leadership. They have been working on territorial governance, landscape restoration, and conservation financing for several years. Their pilot project with RAS embeds 273+ smallholder producer families from Cusco, Peru participating in the group as partners of an emergent cooperative. **Their current RAS supply capacity is 45 tons of greasy fiber.** Their fully transparent product offering throughout the entire supply chain includes RAS-certified greasy wool, classified fiber, tops, yarns in natural colors or natural dyeing options applying ancestral techniques of extraction and dyeing.

Their work has been strong with regenerative agriculture, implementing community grassland regeneration plans as well as active peatland restoration for water security. On the social cohesion and indigenous governance side, they are mobilizing community life plans to multilevel planning and financing flows.

All of this with the goal of building thriving local economies and revitalizing the alpaca growers' livelihoods. With solid RAS demand signals and partnerships, their aim is to grow the supply capacity exponentially. They look forward to partnering with aligned brands, mills and facilities that share their passion for high-quality fiber driven by social and environmental excellence.

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Clamasac

Clamasac is an industrial Group that offers tops. They did not provide a supply estimate but can be reached by the contact information below.

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CALPEX

CALPEX is an industrial group that has a supply capacity of **2,000 kilos of RAS fiber**. They are currently working with approximately 100 certified production partners.

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COOPECAN Peru

COOPECAN Peru is a cooperative made up of 1500 small alpaca breeders from four high Andean regions of Peru: Arequipa, Ayacucho, Apurimac and Cusco.

COOPECAN was created in January 2008 and in its 15 years of existence it has been guided by its main mandate, which is to help improve the welfare of its members and adequately conserve the environment.

To fulfill its mandate, the cooperative manages the alpaca fiber chain in a sustainable manner, from breeding to industrial transformation and its respective commercialization in the international market.

The transformation of the fiber is carried out in our industrial plant, located in Arequipa, which is completely environmentally friendly, since the fiber washing and 100% of its illumination is based on solar energy.

Between the years 2016 to 2018, consecutively the cooperative was among the 500 best environmental initiatives in Latin America and the Caribbean, given by "Premios Latinoamérica Verde". And in 2017, the World Organization for Agriculture - FAO placed Coopecan among the 10 most replicable initiatives in Latin America and the Caribbean.

COOPECAN currently 100 certified partners producing the following amounts and qualities of fiber:
Huacaya fiber: 90 tons per year
Suri fiber: 10 tons per year

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Incatops S.A.

Industrial Group that offers Tops and Yarns

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Michell & Cía S.A.

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Supply Chain Certification

The adoption of the RAS has also been experiencing strong growth across the supply chain. See our website [here](#) for the full list of certified sites. Please note that the number of farms within a farm group certification is not reflected in the listings.