



# OUR COP30 MANIFESTO

## FOR UK GOVERNMENTS

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**We know that forests are essential for nature, people, and a stable climate – in the UK and around the world.**

Forests are home to 80% of wildlife that lives on land. They absorb up to one third of the world's greenhouse gas emissions and provide livelihoods for 1.6 billion people.

**But we're failing forests, and all the people and wildlife who depend on them. Deforestation continues.**

We are at a major turning point. Less forest means a more unstable world, putting food and water security at risk. It also means more rapid climate change, less protection against extreme weather events, and less biodiversity.

COP30 is our greatest opportunity for meaningful global action on deforestation. We know that the only way we can phase out deforestation and conversion by 2030 is by transforming the food and finance systems in the UK and globally.

**WWF-UK is calling on the UK to take the lead on stopping deforestation and conversion by 2030.**

This should be done by elevating the phase out of deforestation and conversion on the political agenda at COP30 and underpin it with actions that transform the food and finance systems.

In the run-up to COP30, we are asking UK governments to demonstrate progress with the actions on the following page.



# ASKS TO UK GOVERNMENTS

**Champion the commitment to phase out deforestation and conversion by 2030 in a prominent decision, like the cover text or similar, to elevate it on the political agenda at COP30.**

## **Get the destruction of forests out of the products on our shelves at home and abroad:**

- UK to lead by example and introduce before COP30 the long-awaited due diligence regulation of forest risk commodities. This will demonstrate the UK's commitment to ending deforestation and conversion in its supply chains. It will also show the UK's support for sustainable agriculture globally.
- UK to anchor deforestation- and conversion-free food production in the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC). This includes the formal negotiations on agriculture, COP decisions, political pledges, and side agreements at COP30, with a focus on the key role of small-scale food producers.
- UK to support the development of a policy bloc led by Global South countries. This bloc would allow participating countries to coordinate their national policies to advance sustainable agri-commodity supply chains and land use.

## **Make sure investments keep forests standing and nature protected around the world:**

- UK to support the establishment and scaling-up of innovative financial instruments to keep forests standing, such as the Brazil-led Tropical Forest Forever Facility.
- UK to lead by example on embedding nature in its financial policies and priorities:
  - Announce a scaled-up International Climate Finance commitment with at least one-third allocated to nature.
  - Take a precautionary approach in managing climate and nature risk across the UK financial system.
  - Mandate net zero transition plans where nature has to be included.