



# Our Statement on Responsibly Sourcing of Pulp and Paper

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## Overview

At Upfield, we use pulp and paper in our food packaging, wrapping and the transportation of our products. As an organization that is committed to building a sustainable plant-based future, we care deeply about the environment, and are concerned with issues of deforestation, forest degradation and protecting biodiversity in the markets where we operate or from where our pulp and paper is sourced.

This is particularly true in the context of deforestation and its impact on the sustainability of indigenous ecosystems, global warming, production of greenhouse gasses, biodiversity, and the livelihoods of people who are dependent upon forest produce.

Our efforts are focussed eliminating deforestation from our supply chain, as well as better understanding and addressing potential issues arising out of forest degradation and the contraction of bio-diversity.

## Our Principles

- Our position on Pulp and Paper is guided by our compliance with the Forest Stewardship Council (FSC) and Programme for the Endorsement of Forest Certification (PEFC) standards. In 2019, 100% of our total virgin pulp and paper purchased will be responsibly sourced from suppliers who meet the FSC or PEFC Standards. 100% of our total virgin pulp and paper purchased will be traceable to its country of origin and mill level.
- We will continue use recycled paper where ever possible for food grade products and will continue to make step-wise progress to increase the volume of recycled paper used.
- Our Responsible Sourcing Policy reinforces our specific commitments on the adherence to rule of law, human rights, employee working conditions, and the environmental stewardship role we aim to play directly or through our supply chains.

## Implementation Action Plan

We aim to ensure compliance with these guidelines and will maintain transparency in our operations, by periodically publishing a full report of our direct virgin paper suppliers and those pulp mills in our supply chain.

*Fact: In the last year 60% of our total paper volume was from recycled sources.*