

OCHO SUR DONATES HIGH-SPEED INTERNET TO THE KOKAMA INDIGENOUS COMMUNITY

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As part of its Social Responsibility policy, Ocho Sur, a business group dedicated to the sustainable production of oil palm products in Ucayali, donated a high-speed satellite Internet system to the Kokama Unida Ecológica Indigenous Community of Curimaná.

The donation consists of a modern technology known as Starlink, a satellite internet system that uses a constellation of low Earth orbit satellites to create a global network that can reach any part of the world. The system is powered by solar panels and a photovoltaic system.

“Starlink is an innovative technology that provides a high-speed, low-latency internet connectivity solution, especially useful in areas with little or no traditional coverage. The service will be free of charge, 24 hours a day, for the community, as the company will cover the cost,” said Ulises Saldaña, Ocho Sur’s Community Relations Manager, who was in charge of delivering the donation.

He added that the system will generate significant benefits for the indigenous population by connecting them with the world and enabling substantial improvements in access to education, employment, training, and telemedicine, among others.

The official handover ceremony took place on Saturday, August 2, during the inauguration of the community center named “Luis Antonio Pacaya Ricopa,” in honor of the late founder of the community. The center, built by the community members with Ocho Sur’s support, was attended by his wife, Betty Ana Silva, widow of Pacaya.

For her part, Amelia Pacaya Ricopa, leader of the Kokama Indigenous Community, together with her board of directors, received and expressed gratitude for the donation, which included a Smart TV and a photovoltaic system, all installed in the newly inaugurated community center.

“This is a historic event because, with the support of Ocho Sur, our neighboring private company that always collaborates with our community, we have completed our community center and now also have access to modern internet communication, for the benefit of our people,” said leader Amelia Pacaya.

It is worth noting that the Kokama Indigenous Community has a territory of 1,600 hectares, which is close to being titled. In addition to forest conservation, they are engaged in agriculture with crops such as cocoa, bananas, cassava, corn, and 130 hectares of oil palm.³