

## Kemito Ene - PERU

The Ashaninka communities of the Ene River are part of the 55 ethnic groups of Peru, the largest in the Peruvian Amazon. Its history has gone through difficult passages and situations of violence, with special intensity in the Ene River area from the end of the 80s to the mid 90s. This has been a particularly tragic and destabilizing time for the Ashaninka communities. In 2010, 40 Ashaninka producers decided to associate themselves to reverse the uncertain situation in which they live. Currently 'Kemito Ene' has 376 cocoa producing members in 25 Ashaninka communities of the Ene River, and since its founding has demonstrated progressively encouraging results, always under the modality of fair trade, gender equity, human rights and conservation of the environment.

**376** active members  
**376** total cocoa members

**Certifications:**  
 FairTrade, Organic

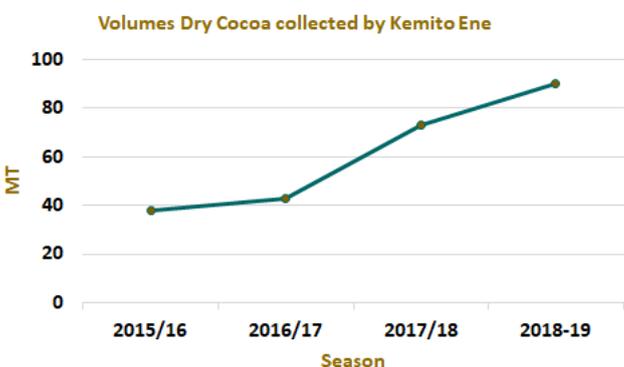
**Registration date:**  
 2010

**Total productive hectares:**  
 365

**Average yield per hectare:**  
 450 kg dry cocoa beans

**Total production capacity:**  
 170 MT dry cocoa beans

**Total volume available 2018-19 season:**  
 90 MT dry cocoa beans



Progreso has been supporting Kemito Ene since 2018, and through this cooperation they have been able to identify the origin and quality of native cocoa in their members' farms. They sold over 80 MT of high quality cocoa, of which they exported 5 MT to Russia and 75 MT to Australia.

Kemito Ene seeks to improve the production capacity of its members and the quality of its products, so they can access to new markets and meet the demand of their customers. Their focus is on lowering the costs of their cocoa business. At the moment, financial capacity is limited to invest in services for their members. The staff capacity has good knowledge and expertise in their tasks. Kemito has their own well-trained technical team, loyal members and strong management of their organization.

