



Enawenè, Amazon under attack

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Yowalì, one of the Indians protagonists of the documentary, tells us: "All these ornaments are part of our culture, but now we are very concerned about our children, our grandchildren." Another Indians Yokuali adds: "We need support. We have a great culture but today we are losing it because the Whites do not care. " These are the premises of the documentary about the life of Enawene, an indigenous people of 600 individuals living in the rain forest of Mato Grosso. They lead us to visit the village, their houses and tell us the rituals marked by the calendar of fisheries and crops. Not eating red meat, fish is their only source of protein. Since, however, the development plans of government provided for the construction of hydroelectric power plants in these areas, the rivers where they normally fish are increasingly polluted. Even deforestation around the Rio Juruena, the main source of life for the Enawene, seems unstoppable. Ivar Busatto, a coordinator of the Organization Native Amazon in defense of the indigenous cause, tells us what we should do to help them. The Enawene are experiencing an epochal drama. Losing the forests in which their ancestors lived means for the Enawene losing their culture and their own rituals.



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