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The increase in deforestation coincides with the uncontrolled proliferation of migrant agriculture, illegal mining and above all the increase in illegal coca leaf production that reached shocking levels: Around one hundred thousand hectares. Every day hundreds of people choose illegal or informal activities due to the lack of formal and profitable opportunities to improve their lives and support their families.

Farmers who have already settled around profitable, formal crops manage to curb deforestation, but they still don't have the proper government support. Most farmers have planted coffee, cacao and oil palm in areas degraded by grassland or coca leaf planting.

Next, Sudaca presents a report on the truth of deforestation in the Peruvian Amazon jungle and the alternative to finally stop it.

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