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José Firmo CEO

# Message from leadership 102-14

This is the first Sustainability Report published by Porto do Açu Operações, a milestone in the history of this young company responsible for managing the largest port-industry complex in the country.

The result of investments that have already totaled 19 billion reais, the Port of Acu is today one of the largest private investments in infrastructure in Brazil: it has the third largest iron ore terminal, houses the terminal responsible for handling 25% of Brazil's oil exports, offers the world's largest offshoresupport base and observes the start of operation of Latin America's main natural gas-fired power generation hub. Among clients and partners, it has already attracted worldclass companies from key sectors of the Brazilian economy. All this in just seven years of operation.

Porto do Açu Operações is a private port administrator, a pioneer in this management model in Brazil. As managers of an asset of this magnitude, our main mission is to manage it responsibly, based on efficient and safe solutions for our clients and partners, contributing to the sustainable development of Rio de Janeiro and Brazil.

The base year of this report was marked by a tragedy unprecedented in recent human history. The COVID-19 pandemic threw light on environmental, social and governance issues and the role that companies have vis-à-vis society.

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To mitigate the impact of COVID-19 on our workforce, we have adopted strict health protocols in port operations and home office arrangements for all administrative teams. After more than a year, our prudence proved to be right, and we are certain that our preventive action was decisive in protecting our greatest capital: our human capital.

At the international level, we led a task force with the International Association of Ports and Harbors (IAPH) to share best practices adopted by ports around the world. The exchange of experiences and the constant exchange with ports that were ahead of us in facing the pandemic allowed us to learn and incorporate health protocols that ensured that the Port of Acu remained fully and uninterruptedly open, safely and ensuring the movement, transport and supply of essential goods and supplies during the pandemic.

We also acted to preserve the company's financial health, which allowed us to achieve excellent results despite the economic scenario experienced in the country. We finalized the renegotiation of the longterm debt with the financing banks and, by prioritizing essential expenses and optimizing others, in addition to the containment of investments planned for the vear, we were able to maintain net revenue and conclude the year with a cash position higher than 2019.

The MulticargoTerminal (TMULT) operated by Porto do Açu Operações closed the year with more than 670 thousand tons handled, registering growth in both cargo portfolio and clients, and inaugurated a new cabotage route with the Port of Rio operated by our partner Norsul. In this route, 100% of the carbon emissions are offset.

Aware that the critical moment we faced required. more than ever, the union of efforts between the public and private sectors and the entire society, we established the Port of Acu Humanitarian Actions Committee in partnership with Ferroport, Acu Petróleo and Gás Natural Açu, all installed in the port. Our efforts were concentrated in 4 lines of action: 1) correct, precise information, in simple language and accessible to the greatest number of people; 2) support for health professionals; 3) support with essential equipment in the treatment of severe cases; e 4) special attention to the more vulnerable population. This report details the relevant results achieved from the union of efforts that helped save lives in the North Fluminense region.

The concern for health and safety was also accompanied by the relentless pursuit of the zeroaccident mark in our operations. In 2020, our recordable accident rate per million man-hours totaled 0.63, a performance that places us at world-class levels of operational excellence. Also, we achieved zero lost time accidents across our workforce, a milestone that makes us proud and reinforces our commitment to promoting a safe environment.

While we are concerned about the health of our employees and the safety of our operations, we also stand out for our performance on other ESG topics.

In a fierce competition with major international ports, we received the International Sustainability Award from IAPH in the safety category, in recognition of our efforts to prevent the oil spill that hit the Brazilian coast in 2019. Located in a strategic area for oil exploration and housing terminals specialized in offshore support for the main companies in the segment, the Port of Acu has demonstrated that it is capable of anticipating the possible impact of oil spills in the north of the state of Rio de Janeiro, acting preventively through integrated actions that have demonstrated in practice that the port has safety standards capable of adding greater effectiveness to the response-to-oil incident structures.

2020 marks the year of approval of a new sustainability strategy for the company, built on intense collaboration with our shareholders Prumo Logística and Port of Antwerp International

In 2020, we continued our nature conservation efforts: we reached the mark of 1 million sea turtle hatchlings released into the sea. Located in a priority breeding area, the sea turtle conservation program is an example of our commitment to reconcile business development with biodiversity conservation.

We also disclosed the adhesion of the Port of Açu to the Environmental Ship Index(ESI), an index classifying ships that exceed the emission standards set by the International Maritime Organization (IMO). Ships that perform above emission standards, including levels of greenhouse gas emissions, now have access to differentiated port tariffs.

With the initiative, the Port of Açu joins a list of 62 global ports that have adopted the incentive mechanism. Joining the ESI reinforces our commitment to participate in the global effort to reduce emissions in shipping, in joining efforts to use increasingly cleaner technologies. Finally, 2020 marks the year of approval of a new sustainability strategy for the company, built on intense collaboration with our shareholders Prumo Logística and Port of Antwerp International. The new guidelines approved by the Board of Directors help us navigate through the profound changes associated with the transition to a low-carbon economy and position us as a climate change resilient port.

The energy transition opens up countless business opportunities, at a speed that has surprised everyone. As early as 2020, we began studies with partners who are leaders in their segments of activity for the development of renewable energy and green hydrogen projects at Açu. We are certain that the transition to a low-carbon future will continue to generate new opportunities, and in the coming years we will continue to work to capture these opportunities to the maximum, sharing value with our shareholders, partners and society.

Good reading.

José Firmo CEO



This is the first Annual Sustainability Report of Porto do Açu Operações S.A., covering the period referring to 2020 - January 1st to December 31st, 2020 - and with historical data aiming at the evaluation of the company's ESG<sup>1</sup> performance.

In 2020, Porto do Açu Operações made progress in consolidating the guidelines for sustainability, which resulted in the approval of its **Sustainability Strategy and Policy**. The report presents the company's results in the topics identified as material and priority, the focus of our current and future development.

The report was based on GRI<sup>2</sup> standards in order to provide publicity and transparency to the company's ESG results. Therefore, it was built by multidisciplinary team, resulting in the joint effort of the different areas of Porto do Açu Operações that act in the processes and management of its ESG performance.

For more information about the report, contact: comunicacao@portodoacu.com.br

<sup>1</sup> Environment, Social and Governance (ESG)

<sup>2</sup> Porto do Açu Operações did not adopt the GRI reporting model in this first year but used Global Reporting Initiative standards (GRI) as guidelines for the data description process, seeking an alignment for future reports.The GRI references are presented throughout the report and consolidated in an index in the final session.

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# PORTO DO AÇU OPERAÇÕES IN 2020



in line with ESG best practices and the UN's 2030 Agenda

Sustainability Award from the International Association

IIA May Brazil 2020 Award - Internal Audit of

ISO 9.001 Certification for Nautical Infrastructure Management and Vessel Traffic Service (VTS)

Adherence to the Environmental Ship Index - ESI\*

2020 Highli



# ACTION IN FACE OF THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC



The COVID-19 pandemic brought unprecedented challenges to the entire world. At Porto do Açu Operações, a crisis management structure was established from the beginning of the pandemic with the objective of caring for people, providing support to the community, ensuring operational continuity in a secure manner, and maintaining the company's financial health.

Aiming to respond agilely and responsibly to crisis scenarios, the committees formed in collaboration with other companies at Açu worked on four fronts: **Protection of People, Humanitarian Support, Operational Continuity and Business Financial Management**.

Internationally, Porto do Açu Operações has coordinated a task force with the International Association of Ports and Harbors (IAPH) which aimed to discuss and implement health protocols that would allow the continuity of operations in the port sector during the public calamity scenario.

The implementation of preventive measures based on international best practices allowed Port of Açu to remain in business, playing a key role for the country's economy, ensuring the movement, transportation and supply of goods and essential inputs during the pandemic.





## **PROTECTION OF PEOPLE**

In order to safeguard the health and safety of its employees, the People Committee, made up of companies within the Prumo Group, implemented measures focused on promoting the collective well-being and organizational performance in times of pandemic.

- Adoption of the Remote Work Policy with financial support and flexible benefits, providing staff reduction in all activities and operational fronts and paralysis of the administrative offices
- Suspension of travel, visits and events
- Strengthening of the Quality-of-Life Program, encompassing actions to support mental health in times of pandemic
- Implementation of virtual platforms for remote medical and psychological care
- Establishment of health and hygiene protocols, with the technical support of the Albert Einstein Institute
- Constant communication and dialogue at all levels of the organization, keeping employees up to date on the evolution of the pandemic and guidance on prevention measures
- More than 80% of employees in remote work
- 46 employees registered on the online platform for psychological care and 402 consultations carried out
- More than 400 health care consultations via telemedicine
- Over 2,250 COVID-19 tests performed on own and third-party employees
- 370 cases of COVID-19 registered, zero deaths and hospitalizations in 2020
- Total of 206 tests performed on suspected cases, 52 confirmed among own and third parties employees









## **BUSINESS CONTINUITY**

Through the Operational Committee, in which all the companies installed in the Port participate, measures were defined and implemented to adapt the operations aiming at the continuity of the activities in a safe way.

Periodic meetings and establishment of protocols and Contingency Plan, with prevention and control measures related to (i) communication and guidance; (ii) access screening; (iii) transportation; (iv) cafeterias; (v) isolation and medical care; (vi) use of PPE; (vii) embark, disembark and work on board; e (viii) emergency response, ensuring legal compliance and alignment with international best practices





## COMMUNICATION

Access to clear, accurate and correct information has proven essential in fighting the pandemic. To this end, a constant communication channel with the local community was established.

- Reinforcement of communication with communities through specific channels car loudspeakers, radio, WhatsApp - in partnership with the municipalities of São João da Barra and Campos dos Goytacazes
- Ongoing awareness campaign on social networks with general safety guidelines and publication of information and documents on the Porto do Açu Operações website
- Provision of a personalized helpdesk for queries relating to COVID-19

## **GUARANTEE OF EMPLOYABILITY** AND CONTRIBUTION OF RESOURCES

The Financial Committee focused on providing resources for the actions of the other committees and the actions necessary to maintain jobs and current contracts. The aim was to ensure that the pandemic was being tackled, in balance with the company's financial health and business continuity.

- Zero dismissals or contract terminations related to the pandemic
- Restraint of non-priority expenditures
- Provision of resources for the implementation of measures to protect the health of employees, maintain jobs and fulfill the social commitment with the community
- Preservation of contracts with local labor and promotion of hiring alternatives in the region, to encourage the flow of the economy in the region
- Advance payments for small suppliers \_
- Relationship with charities, municipalities and class associations to strengthen humanitarian actions
- U\$250 thousand in humanitarian support actions in the region
- U\$500 thousand to implement measures with employees
- U\$300 thousand in measures to maintain operations



## SUPPORT FOR HEALTH **AND SPECIAL SERVICES PROFESSIONALS\***

Through the Humanitarian Actions Committee, Porto do Açu Operações took a prominent position in actions to support health professionals and essential services in the municipalities of São João da Barra and Campos dos Goytacazes, with the donation of:

100 thousand Personal Protective Equipment items (PPE) including masks, aprons and gloves Inputs for the production of face shields

## **VULNERABLE POPULATION\***

The isolation resulting from the pandemic also affected small entrepreneurs. With the support of the Humanitarian Actions Committee, which acted in the purchase and subsequent donation to charities, families of small farmers who had no way to outflow their food production because of COVID-19, were able to sell their production and help supply lowincome families.

22 charities benefited

- 1.5 thousand people served with donations
- 7 tons of food donated'



## **ESSENTIAL EQUIPMENT, TECHNOLOGY AND TESTING\***

The Humanitarian Actions Committee sought innovative ways to provide the resources necessary for the proper treatment of the greatest number of patients with COVID-19.

- 26 lung ventilators recovered
- Porto do Açu Operações has joined the Brazilian Institute of Oil and Gas (Instituto \_ Brasileiro de Petróleo e Gás - IBP) and the companies Equinor and SBM to support the "Dados do Bem" project
- U\$ 100 thousand invested with the D'Or Institute in research on the virus .
- 25 thousand rapid test kits donated



\* Results achieved by Humanitarian Actions Committee, with active participation of other companies that operates at Acu.



# SUSTAINABILITY STRATEGY AND PERFORMANCE 2020

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In 2020, Porto do Açu Operações approved its Sustainability Strategy with the Board of Directors, aligning the company's Strategic Planning with bestenvironmental, social and corporate governance practices (ESG).

The Strategy establishes sustainable growth with the generation of long-term value as a differential for the development of the company's business, based on the Global Sustainable Development Agenda (2030) of the United Nations (UN). The guidelines for its implementation are defined by the Sustainability Policy based on five strategic pillars.

## **STRATEGIC PILLARS**

Ensure legal compliance, manage environmental and climate risks, impacts and opportunities, directing efforts to biodiversity conservation

Amplify competitiveness of the Port as a place for sustainable investments by facilitating shared value creation and fostering asustainable modal split



Promote safety culture among Port users through integration and collaboration, facilitating synergies, preventing accidents and protecting life Stimulate regional development through industrialization, promoting local stakeholders' engagement, encouraging cooperatives and stimulating local workforce and supply chain development, seeking to attract talents and the well-being of its employees Maintain a robust compliance agenda to enforce the rightful application of the Company's values through the commitment with international standards on ethics and integrity and the best corporate governance practices

## **STRATEGY BUILDING**

The Sustainability Strategy was structured based on the definition of material issues, priorities for the construction of strategic guidelines. The materiality process was carried out by the ESG\* Work Group, based on the consolidation of different sources of interest, aimed at mapping and prioritizing the various relevant themes.

## **Definition of Materiality**

- Market context and shareholder guidelines
- ESG references and sustainability trends in the port sector
- Alignment with the Global Sustainable Development Agenda Agenda 2030
- Stakeholder engagement: employees, clients, suppliers, government, community, organized civil society and the press
- Company ESG performance



\* Thematic group established to support senior management in achieving the Company's strategic goals with regard to ESG aspects

#### MATERIAL ISSUES

Protection of people

Emergency preparedness and response

Human rights and appropriate work conditions

Development of local communities

Promotion of a diverse and inclusive work environment

Talent attraction and retention

Management of environmental impacts

Climate change mitigation

**Biodiversity Conservation** 

Ethics and integrity

Business development with the creation of long-term value

## **2020 PERFORMANCE**

With the approval of the Sustainability Strategy of Porto do Açu Operações, its ESG performance began to be evaluated through specific indicators for each of the five pillars, monitored by the Executive Board and Board of Directors.



#### 2019 PERFORMANCE CONTRIBUTION DAGENDA 2030 1 CONTRIBUTION CONTRIBUTI

STRATEGIC PILLAR	ACHIEVEMENTS	MATERIAL THEME	OBJECTIVE	КРІ	2020 PERFORMANCE
GOVERNANCE AND COMPLIANCE	Approval of the ESG Sustainability Strategy and governance structuring, with the creation of the ESG Work Group - ESG WG	Ethics and	Promoting	Training in the code of conduct and anti-corruption	262 employees (89% of the total)
GOVEI COVEI		Ethics and a culture integrity of integrit		Handling of complaints	24 complaints received and average processing time of 44 days
SAFETY	Strengthening of the safety culture through integration with port users, partners and tenants Restructuring of the Safety Management	Device the of		Rate of accidents with lost time (per 1 million man-hours worked)	0,00
	System Investment in Safety Culture with adaptation to remote model Restructuring of the Road Traffic Safety Program with the port community	Protection of people	Zene e ecidente	Total accident rate (per 1 million man-hours worked)	0,63
	Integration of emergency management through the Mutual Aid Plan (PAM) Intensification of the emergency drills agenda 5 years without lost time accidents in T-		Zero accidents	Oil spills at sea	O leakages
	MULT operations and 4 years without recordable accidents 3 years without accidents involving oil spills into the sea			Performance of emergency drills	21 drills carried out, fulfilling 100% of the annual schedule

#### 2019 PERFORMANCE

#### CONTRIBUTION TO AGENDA 2030

#### 156 employees (56% of the total)

34 complaints received and average processing time of 38 days



0,49

0,49

O leakages

11 drills carried out, fulfilling 100% of the annual schedule



STRATEGIC PILLAR	ACHIEVEMENTS	MATERIAL THEME	OBJECTIVE	КРІ	2020 PERFORMANCE		
PEOPLE AND COMMUNITY	Adaptation of routines to the pandemic scenario, ensuring safety and quality of life for employees Restructuring of training for remote	Human rights and appropriate work conditions	Operational continuity with safety and humanitarian support for response to the COVID-19 pandemic	Investments in humanitarian actions, implementation of preventive and operational measures	U\$ 1 million		
8 00 0 00 0 00 0 00	Structuring the Diversity and Inclusion Carrying out humanitarian support			Community committee meetings	9 virtual meetings and 154 participants		
e	actions to tackle the COVID-19 pandemic and maintaining social programs in the	Development of local communities	Local community engagement and development through job creation and	Local labor	80% of own employees		
	Increased participation of local labor (own employees) through the actions of the Employability Network		hiring of local suppliers	*Local suppliers and **items contracted with local suppliers	15% local suppliers and 28% of items contracted with local suppliers		
	Expansion of the activities of the Community Committees	Descritions	Promoting a	Promoting a		Participation of the female gender in the workforce	36% women in the overall workforce and 23% in leadership roles
	Implementation of the priority action fronts of the Local Development Council: Strengthening of Education, Social Observatory and Sustainable	diverse and inclusive work environment	Increased gender and color diversity	Participation of black and mixed-race in the workforce	30% black and mixed-race in the in the overall workforce and 12% in leadership roles		
	Creation of a work group to develop local suppliers in partnership with the Secretariat of Economic Development of the municipality of São João da Barra	Talent attraction and retention	Development of our employees	Training and development	34.514 hours of training and 99h / employee		

\* Suppliers of the municipalities of São João da Barra and Campos dos Goytacazes \*\* Product or service

#### 2019 PERFORMANCE

#### CONTRIBUTION TO AGENDA 2030

Not presented

6 meetings and 59 participants

78% of own employees

15% local suppliers and 21% of items contracted with local suppliers

32% women in the workforce and 17% in leadership roles

32% black and mixed-race in the overall workforce and 15% in leadership roles

15.615 hours of training and 47h / employee



STRATEGIC PILLAR	ACHIEVEMENTS	MATERIAL THEME	OBJECTIVE	КРІ	2020 PERFORMANCE	201
Цщ	Consolidation of the port's water management through the Water	Management of environmental impacts	No change in environmental quality due to the company's operations	Specific waste generation at T-MULT*	0,06 kg/ton handled	0,08
ENVIRONMENT AND CLIMATE	Supply Master Plan			Waste recycling	100% sent for recycling	86%
ENVI	100% reuse of organic waste for the production of fertilizer and 100% recycling of other recyclable waste			Air quality index - IQar**	GOOD 100% of the time	GOOI
				Specific water consumption at the T-MULT	52L / ton handled	60
	Environmental quality monitored through the monitoring programs and unchanged by port operations			Accidents with environmental damage	Zero accidents	Z
	Milestone of 1 million turtle	Climate change mitigation	Emissions profile study for proposing reduction targets	Greenhouse gas emissions (GHG) (scopes 1, 2 and 3)	7.861 tCO2e	
	hatchlings released to the sea 1.142 hectares of sandbank planting completed in the RPPN	Biodiversity	Positive impacts on the dynamics of sea turtles in the region	Number of nests and hatchlings protected	14.279 nests protected and 1,024,352 turtle hatchlings released to the sea (until March 2021)	13.37 tu rele (ur
	Caruara	conservation	Protection of restinga ecosystem areas	Planting area in the RPPN Caruara	56 hectares in the year 670 hectares of cumulative planting since 2012	22 yea cun

\* kilogram of waste generated per ton of cargo handled

\*\* IQAr is calculated as defined by CONAMA Resolution 491/2018 from

continuous monitoring data for PM10 and PM2.5. "GOOD" rating equals best rating (1QAr < 40)

#### 019 PERFORMANCE

,08 kg/ton handled

5% sent for recycling

OD 100% of the time

60L / ton handled

Zero accidents

11,924 tCO2e

.374 nests protected and 970.000 turtle hatchlings released to the sea (until March 2021)

22 hectares in the ear 614 hectares of umulative planting since 2012

#### 3 GOOD HEALTH AND WELL-BEING AND SANITATION CONSUMPTION AND PRODUCTION AN

CONTRIBUTION TO AGENDA 2030



# **COMPANY PROFILE** 102-1 102-3 102-4 102-5 102-7

Formed through a partnership between Prumo Logística (98.13%) and Port of Antwerp International PAI Invest N.V. (1.87%) Porto do Açu Operações S.A. is responsible for the development and port administration of the Port of Açu, in the municipality of São João da Barra, in the north of the State of Rio de Janeiro. The company is also responsible for the operation of the Multicargo Terminal (T-MULT) and its subsidiaries Reserva Ambiental Fazenda Caruara S.A. and Águas Industriais do Açu S.A.

With private Port Administration and having PAI as shareholder, Porto do Açu Operações unites the potential of the largest port-industry and energy complex in Latin America with the experience of the largest maritime, logistics and industrial platform in Europe. Prumo, the company's controlling shareholder, has as shareholders EIG Global Energy Partners, a North American fund focused on the energy and infrastructure sectors, and Mubadala, a sovereign wealth fund of the United Arab Emirates.

**OBJECTIVE** 

growth.

## VISION

To be the most recognized and competitive port-industry complex in the South Atlantic with a high global reputation.

## VALUES

Our People - We are passionate about overcoming challenges and creating prosperity through collaboration

Our Clients - We promote comparative advantages based on excellence and efficiency through proactive and trusting relationships.

**Our Environment** - We aim for sustainable growth with ethics. transparency and safety, fully committed to life and diversity



Develop and manage Acu as a world-class private port, connecting Brazil to the world and creating shared value through sustainable







Vessel Traffic Service approved by the Brazilian Navy.

**Control Center integrating land,** sea and emergency operations.





## PORT OF AÇU: MODERN AND WORLD-CLASS ENTERPRISE

The result of investments totaling U\$ 4,5 billion, Açu is a port-industry complex with 100% private capital participation in its administration, operated with the highest standards of efficiency and safety. The port is the first in the country to implement vessel traffic service (VTS), with state-of-the-art equipment for signaling and navigation support.

The port ended the year of 2020 with 10 Private Terminals (Terminais de Uso Privado - TUPs) in operation and 15 companies installed.

Of the 130 km<sup>2</sup> of the Açu total area, 40 km<sup>2</sup> are occupied by the Caruara Private Natural Heritage Reserve (RPPN), a conservation unit created voluntarily in 2012 and managed by its subsidiary Reserva Ambiental Fazenda Caruara S.A. The RPPN Caruara is the largest private conservation unit in the country dedicated to the Restinga ecosystem and the largest environmental asset of Acu.

**90 km<sup>2</sup>** retro area available for industrial development



More than 12 thousand (port calls) 中





54,3 million tons handled in the



Terminal that handled 25% of Brazil's oil exports in 2020

7 Km of operational quays

7 thousand in the enterprise

State-of-the-art operations and high technology with benchmark assets in its sectors

in the Private Terminals. a 25% growth compared to 2019



Largest offshore supply base in the world





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## **EXTENSION OF SERVED MARKETS** 102-6

Açu's development occurs through different hubs, leveraged by its strategic location in the Brazil's Southeast region, close to the main oil exploration and production fields, and taking advantage of a private investment environment. The availability of area and key inputs, as iron ore, oil and natural gas, combined with world-class port infrastructure and multimodal connectivity, make Açu a reference platform for the country's industrial development.

After the start of operations, Porto do Açu Operações moved on to the stage of expanding the markets served with the expansion of Açu's connectivity. Regular cabotage operations began in 2020. In addition, Açu operates in the promotion of highway, railways and airport accesses and with projects for connection via gas and oil pipelines. Located in a strategic region for the country's economy and foreign trade, the port is connected to the states of Minas Gerais and Espírito Santo by federal and state highways. And is increasingly logistically integrated.

And from Brazil to the world, an important step was the exchange of experiences with some of the most important international ports. In addition to the Port of Antwerp, the company's partner, Açu has partnerships with the Port of Houston, in the USA, and the Port of Guangzhou, in China. These partnerships contribute to the adoption of good safety, management and governance practices, in addition to enabling commercial synergies.

## Strategic partnerships

The search for commercial synergies and business development aligned with good environmental, social and corporate governance practices also occurs through strategic partnerships with national and international institutions. Among the main partners are the International Association of Ports and Harbors (IAPH), the Brazil-Germany Chamber of Commerce and Industry (AHK), the American Chamber of Commerce (AmchamBrazil) the Association of Private Port Terminals (ATP) and the Federation of Industries of the State of Rio de Janeiro (FIRJAN). Important results of these partnerships in 2020 were the performance of Porto do Açu Operações with IAPH, in developing the guide for port activities in the face of the COVID-19 pandemic, and cooperation with AHK in developing hydrogen-based green industrial projects.





# Young and fast growing Port

2011 Start of construction of the onshore channel of Terminal 2 (T2)	2012 Creation of the Private Natural Heritag the largest of Restinga ecosystem area			
<ul> <li>2014</li> <li>Inauguration of the Emergency Response Base (Base de Prontidão para Atendimento a Emergências - BPAE) for control and response to oil spills at sea</li> <li>Publication of an updated nautical chart of the Port by the Brazilian Navy</li> <li>First operation at T2, with the vessel Happy Dynamic, of the Heavy Lift type, at the NOV Terminal</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>2015</li> <li>First operation at T-MULT, with the loading of 30 thousand tons of bauxite in a test operation</li> <li>Approval of the VTS Centre (Vessel Traffic Service) by the Brazilian Navy</li> <li>Start of operations of the flexible pipeline shipping terminals (TechnipFMC and NOV)</li> </ul>			
2016 Start of operations at T-MULT and Açu Marine Fuel Terminal (TECMA) First operations of the Offshore Support Base Brasil Port	2017 Port of Antwerp International (PAI) becomes a shareholder of Porto do Açu Operações T-MULT receives the first Panamax vessel	2018 T-MULT reaches 1 million tons handled Signing of cooperation agreement with Port of Houston		
<section-header><section-header><list-item></list-item></section-header></section-header>	<ul> <li>2020</li> <li>Partnership with Companhia de Navegação NORSUL for cabotage services</li> <li>PSRU' vessel mooring</li> <li>BW MAGNA at the Gás Natural Açu LNG Terminal</li> <li>New Oceanpact terminal, dedicated to the response of emergencies involving oil at sea</li> <li>Ist fertilizer handling operation at T-MULT</li> <li>VTS Center receives international ISO 9.001 certification for navigation management</li> <li>Adherence to the Environmental Performance Index (ESI)</li> <li>Approval of the new Sustainability Strategy and Policy</li> <li>Port Administration coordinates actions to confront the pandemic through the Operational Committee and the Humanitarian Actions Committee</li> </ul>		• floating Storage	e and Regaseification Unit



# BUSINESS AND FINANCIAL RESULTS 102-2



With the objective of developing and managing Açu, Porto do Açu Operações is responsible for the port administration of Terminal 2 (T2) and, also, for the port operations carried out at the T-MULT and the South Mole. The company also operates in the development of new business, aiming to provide the growth of the port in an organized, responsible, and efficient way. Through its subsidiaries\*, it is also responsible for water management of the Port and the RPPN Caruara.

\* Porto do Açu Operações has the following direct subsidiaries: (i) Águas Industriais do Açu S.A and (ii) Reserva Ambiental Fazenda Caruara S.A., in operation; and (iii) GSA - Grussaí Siderúrgica do Açu Ltda, (iv) Siderúrgica do Norte Fluminense Ltda. and (v) G3X Engenharia S.A., non-operational; and the following indirect, non-operating subsidiaries: (i) Pedreira Sapucaia Indústria e Comércio Ltda.





100% private management structured to promote and support the development of operations and new businesses at the Port of Açu, focusing on innovation and long-term sustainable growth. It is responsible for ensuring safe and efficient maritime and land accesses, for the development and maintenance of port infrastructure, dredging works and maritime traffic control

Development of logistics solutions to support the development of the offshore industry. Provision of integrated solutions for storage and cargo outflow through T-MULT

Expansion of Açu operations through the development of logistics and industrial solutions, with a focus on renewable energy, circular economy, low carbon and sustainable connectivity

Management of the conservation unit (RPPN Caruara) with operations based on three pillars: environmental services, tourist visitation and education and scientific

Water management aimed at ensuring the sustainable supply of water necessary for the development of operations and new businesses at Açu, with solutions for water withdraw, treatment and distribution.

## PORT ADMINISTRATION

### SAFE AND EFFICIENT OPERATIONS

In the responsibility of port administration, the company plays the role of regulation and integration between port users, partners, public authorities, and the local community, promoting synergies and encouraging the adoption of good operational and ESG practices.

The commitment to safe and efficient operations is also materialized by the management of accesses and facilities in line with the Port Regulations, basic regulations for activities at the port, procedures, and instructions.

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In 2021, the quality of operations management will be improved with the entry into operation of the Port Management Information System (PMIS) which will provide greater integration between vessel traffic information and the port's other information systems, allowing interoperability with terminal systems, ship owners, maritime agents, port authorities and other stakeholders of the port community. The PMIS, which integrates the VTMIS, seeks to raise the quality of management and operational safety and port development, in addition to taking Acu forward on the path to becoming a "Smart Port", where the entire logistics chain and community will be benefited.





## **Maritime Traffic Safety**

The vessel traffic management at Açu is carried out by the VTS Center, operated by Porto do Açu Operações. The Vessel Traffic Service (VTS), operational since 2015, was the first service of this type approved in the country by the Brazilian Navy. It is an advanced navigation safety tool, providing real-time monitoring of all traffic and operating modern management and data collection systems, on par with the largest and best ports in the world.

The Acu infrastructure also has a modern nautical signaling system and a large structure of meteoceanographic equipment that provides the Piloting Service with the necessary information, in real time, to ensure that traffic occurs at a high level of safety.

Since the beginning of operations, the Port of Acu VTS Center has provided an increase in safety for more than 12,000 vessels that arrived at the port and for 26,000 maneuvers monitored during this period.

In 2020, the nautical infrastructure and the VTS Center obtained ISO 9001 Certification, an unprecedented milestone in Brazil, reaffirming Acu's commitment to the safety of its operations.



<sup>1</sup>Vessel Traffic Management Information System; <sup>2</sup>Automatic Identification System; <sup>3</sup>Closed circuit TV

- 01 PORT ADMINISTRATION
- 02 VTMIS<sup>1</sup> DATABASE
- **03** VTS CENTER
- **04** AIS<sup>2</sup> BASE STATION
- 05 RADAR AND VHF TOWER
- **06** PILOTING STATION
- 07 PILOT
- **08** TERMINAL OPERATION
- 09 PILOT BOAT
- 10 TUGBOAT
- 11 BATIMETRY
- **12** MARITIME AUTHORITY
- 13 NAUTICAL SIGNALING
- **14** METEOCEANOGRAPHIC STATION
- 15 CFTV<sup>3</sup> CAMERA SYSTEM

#### **MULTI-CARGO TERMINAL (T-MULT)**

With activities initiated in 2015, T-MULT has already handled approximately 2.8 million tons in loading and unloading operations associated with long-haul shipping, cabotage and maritime support. The terminal handles various types of dry bulk cargo, general cargo and project cargo, especially the movement of coke, coal, bauxite, gypsum, pig iron and other products, fertilizers and scrap metal. In order to meet market demand, the terminal has a Master Plan for its development, receiving investments for capacity expansions and improvement of the equipment park to support gains in operational efficiency and the expansion of the portfolio.



13,1 meters of draft



1 million m<sup>2</sup>storage area to support transshipment and feeder services





500 meters of wharf

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**5 years without** State-of-the-art equipment lost-time accidents to ensure efficiency and operational safety representing 5.7 million man-hours worked



182.000 m<sup>2</sup>

bonded area

**93 % local** workforce trained for terminal operations

During 2020, the terminal's operations did not stop. The pandemic scenario was reflected in the slowdown in the growth in cargo volume projected for the year, but the diversified portfolio maintained the expansion in the number of clients served and types of cargo.



### T-MULT inserts Rio de Janeiro in the fertilizer market

In September 2020, Porto do Açu Operações put the state of Rio de Janeiro on the map of the fertilizer market in Brazil. The first shipment was carried out via TMULT and imported 25 thousand tons of potassium chloride (KCL) to the interior of the state of Minas Gerais. In just the first year of the contract, 150,000 tons of fertilizers are expected to flow through this terminal. These operations through Açu allow the state's global connection to the producers of these inputs, enabling positive externalities in terms of costs and logistics, both to the consumer market in Rio de Janeiro and, mainly, to the landlocked regions that make up the Acu hinterland, such as the state of Minas Gerais.

#### 753k ton





Porto do Açu Operações operates in the provision of infrastructure, operation, and equipment for the logistics of oil and gas operations, including platform hibernation, class changes, waste and effluent management and cargo and equipment handling. Also, clients can carry out surveys, class inspections and internal repairs to the vessels while at berth.

Due to the large availability of wharves, equipment for cargo handling and its privileged location, Porto do Açu Operações offers a competitive advantage mainly for operations in the Campos and Espírito Santo basins, in addition to being able to serve as a base for decommissioning operations and implementation works for offshore wind projects being planned on the Southeast coast.

## **BUSINESSES FOCUSED ON THE CONSERVATION** OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND BIODIVERSITY

## Águas Industriais do Açu S.A.

Considering the need to guarantee the water supply for the port's development in a sustainable manner and following the growth of operations, Águas Industriais do Açu conducts the operations of water production, treatment and distribution in the port. Through robust management and accompanied by a specialized team, the company invests in scientific knowledge on the hydrological system of the port region, allowing operational management that ensures the sustainability of the use of water resources.

Learn more about water management in the Environment and Climate chapter.

## Reserva Ambiental Fazenda Caruara S.A.

Porto do Açu Operações, through the Reserva Ambiental Fazenda Caruara S.A., is responsible for managing the Caruara Private Natural Heritage Reserve (RPPN) aimed at enhancing the reserve's results for the region and investing in ecosystem services, the company invests in expanding its portfolio of environmental and educational services and scientific research, in addition to structuring its contribution to sustainable tourism in the region.

Learn more about Caruara in the Environment and Climate chapter.







## **NEW BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT**

Aiming to ensure the orderly occupation and sustainable development of Açu, Porto do Açu Operações has developed its Master Plan, which defines urban, economic, and environmental criteria aligned with the municipal zoning\* and the CODIN\*\* regulations with a horizon up to the year 2050. The defined criteria provide the guidelines for the location of different types of industries seeking possible synergies and guiding the Company's planning for the implementation of land infrastructure, maritime and port developments, such as dredging works, land access, water distribution, sanitation, and energy.

# CREATION OF LONG-TERM VALUE AND CONTRIBUTION TO A LOW CARBON ECONOMY

In addition to serving as a connection point between sea and land, modern ports currently play an important role in accelerating the energy transition agenda and towards to a low-carbon economy. Given its role as an integration center between economic sectors, ports have a unique potential to facilitate the development of businesses that contribute to the decarbonization of the energy and industrial matrix.

In this context, the approval of the Sustainability Policy in 2020, aligned with the company's Strategic Planning, guides the growth of the port's operations through the development of sustainable and low-carbon businesses and the encouragement of sustainability in the global port logistics chain, aimed at consolidating Açu as a connection point to the rapid expansion of decarbonization worldwide.

\* Master Plan of the Municipality of São João da Barra, including provisions on the macro-zoning of the municipality, by Municipal Law No. 357/2015.

\*\* INTERNAL REGULATIONS OF THE INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT OF SJB - CODIN The Industrial District of São João da Barra - DISJB created by State Decree No. 41.585 of December 5, 2008 and amended by State Decree No. 41.916 of June 19, 2009.



T-MULT started, in 2020, the cabotage navigation service at Açu, which uses ocean trains and reduces logistics costs, road traffic and carbon emissions.

The beginning of regular cabotage operations at the port establishes an integrated, efficient and safe connection between companies from the North Fluminense, Espírito Santo and Minas Gerais States with the entire world, through the T-MULT.

The initiative is the result of a partnership between Porto do Açu Operações and Companhia de Navegação Norsul, which will neutralize the remaining emissions through its Carbon Neutral Program.

# Advances in sustainable energy



Throughout 2020, Porto do Açu Operações developed two important partnerships, formalized in the first quarter of 2021. With Equinor, it signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to jointly evaluate the development of a solar photovoltaic generation plant, in the Industrial Retro Area of the Port of Açu. With Fortescue Future Industries Pty (ITF) a subsidiary of Fortescue Metals Group (Fortescue), the MoU was signed for the development of hydrogen-based green industrial projects.

Solar photovoltaic generation is the fastest growing source of energy in Brazil and worldwide. The availability of green hydrogen and renewable energy should further boost the port's sustainable industrialization, including the production of green steel, fertilizers, chemicals, fuels and other manufactured industrial products.

## FINANCIAL RESULTS 201-1

In 2020, the company maintained its focus on spending discipline and, due to the scenario of uncertainties as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, concentrated its efforts on ensuring operational continuity and maintaining existing contracts with close proximity to its clients, in addition to reducing operating costs and administrative expenses. These actions were fundamental for the year's economic and financial performance above budget, resulting in net revenues of R\$ 214.125 million, which represents a minimal variation in relation to the 2019 result (reduction of 2.4%).

Regarding the optimization of operating costs and administrative expenses, the company opted to contain them, prioritizing essential expenses and those with positive social impacts, which generated a total operating cost of R\$47,722 million and administrative expenses of R\$ 103.478 million, representing savings of approximately 10% compared to the budget. In addition, the company promoted cuts in the order of 20% in investments scheduled for 2020. These contentions allowed the company to close the year with a cash position of R\$ 103.158 million, approximately 340% higher than the previous year.

In 2020, the renegotiation of the long-term debt with the financing banks was finalized. As a result, it was possible to restructure the existing debt service flow, adjusting the payment flow to the company's cash generation and significantly reducing current liabilities and decreasing negative net working capital.

All commitments for the year relating to financing were honored, in addition to extraordinary amortizations made by the parent company Prumo Logística.

The financial statements are audited by KPMG Auditores Independentes (KPMG Brazil) since 2009, disclosed quarterly on the company's official website and published annually in major newspapers in the state of Rio de Janeiro.

## **Results for the financial year 201-1**

DRE (R\$ thousand)	2018	2019	2020
Net Revenue	253,854	219,379	214,126
Operating Costs	-124,391	-46,302	-47,722
Depreciation	-107,335	-107,864	-121,859
Gross Profit	22,128	65,213	44,545
Administrative Expenses	-71,356	-85,165	-103,478
Other expenditures	-11,154	-11,190	-4,025
Financial result	-464,141	-510,065	-446,230
Taxes	-182,880	1,691	-29,194
Net Profit	-540,530	-517,136	-538,382
EBITDA	73,309	100,435	58,903



The company has five core businesses. Above, the net revenue of each of them, highlighting port administration (which includes area rental and terminal accesses) which corresponds to 78% of the total in 2020

<sup>1</sup> Referring to the Port's infrastructure implementation works,

funded through long-term financing with banks and debenture holders.

**Reserva Caruara** (R\$ thousand) R\$ 646 0.3% **Port Administration** (R\$ thousand) R\$ 166,624 77.8%





# **GOVERNANCE AND COMPLIANCE**

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Porto do Açu Operações conducts business by adopting good corporate governance practices, following the guidelines of the Brazilian Institute of Corporate Governance (Instituto Brasileiro de GovernançaCorporativa - IBGC) and the guidelines of Prumo's Corporate Governance Policy, applicable to its subsidiaries. The governance model is based on the principles of ethics, transparency, equity, accountability, and corporate responsibility, aimed at generating long-term value for all stakeholders.

## **GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE** 102-18

The Company's governance structure is formed by the Shareholders' Meeting, the Board of Directors, the Executive Board and non-permanent Fiscal Council, according to the attributions established in the Bylaws. Porto do Açu Operações also has an Advisory Committee and thematic work groups (WG) aimed at achieving the company's strategic goals, with the ESG WG and the Corporate Culture WG currently being installed. The governance model also includes integration with the structure of the shareholder Prumo, through participation in the Strategic, Finance and Audit and People, Integrity and Sustainability - PIS committees.



**General Assembly** 

**General Meeting** - Meets ordinarily within the first four months after the closing of the fiscal year and extraordinarily whenever necessary and is installed and conducted by the company's Chief Executive Officer. The General Meeting has as its ordinary attributions to elect members of the Board of Directors and the Fiscal Council, assess and resolve on the financial statements, the allocation of net income and establish the compensation of management members.

**Board of Directors** - Formed in 2018, it is responsible for the guidelines and strategic planning of Porto do Açu Operações. An important link with shareholders, it controls and supervises the company's performance, indicates the composition and attributions of the Executive Board and acts jointly with it in the approval of policies and norms that guide the development of the business. The Board of Directors is composed of five members appointed by the shareholders, whose terms of office are annual and eligible for re-election. The Chairman of the Board of Directors is responsible for directing the work of the body and does not exercise executive functions at Porto do Açu Operações. Resolutions are taken by simple majority, at regular quarterly meetings and, when necessary, at special meetings.

**Executive Board** - Consisting of the Chief Executive Officer, a Chief Financial Officer and six other Officers divided into strategic areas for the company, whose terms of office last one year, and may be re-elected. Its current configuration was structured according to the challenges to be overcome by the company in the development of Acu, taking care of policy implementation. The Executive Board is responsible for implementing the company's policies, guidelines and activities, in line with the strategic planning. Moreover, it plays a crucial role in decision making, in the approval of major commercial negotiations and in the preparation of internal regulations for Porto do Açu Operações. The ordinary meetings are held weekly and their deliberations occur by simple majority.

\* Body of a non-permanent character, currently not installed

\*\* Reporting to the Prumo governance structure. One-off participation of Porto do Acu Operações

## **CORPORATE RISK MANAGEMENT** 102-15 102-30 207-2

The company's risk management is structured according to ISO 31000 and COSO Enterprise Risk Management guidelines. Through annual action plans, the identification, evaluation and control of the measures necessary to manage operational, strategic, financial, compliance/legal and reputational risks are carried out. The results of the cycles are submitted for evaluation by the Board of Directors and the governance bodies of the shareholder Prumo.

## **ETHICS AND INTEGRITY** 102-16 102-17 205-2 205-3

Acting with ethics and integrity is a commitment of Porto do Açu Operações, which maintains a transparent posture and observes the applicable legislation and regulations, in addition to following the requirements of the Code of Conduct and Anti-Corruption and Prumo's Compliance Standard. Through these and other regulations, anti-corruption and anti-bribery practices and respect for free competition are established, as well as measures to prevent conflicts of interest and unacceptable conduct in the workplace. These commitments are required of employees, suppliers and representatives of Porto do Açu Operações, and guide the relationship with investors, clients, community and government.

The General Management of Audit and Compliance of shareholder Prumo directs the ethics and conduct issues and reports actions to the Presidency, the Finance and Audit Committee and the PIS Committee. Created in 2015, Prumo's Compliance Program applies in full to Porto do Açu Operações and is based on four pillars of action: prevent, identify, respond and improve, based on actions, tools and procedures incorporated into the company's routine, among which we highlight the following: Whistleblowing channel and follow-up on reports, communication plans and training, and background checks.

### IIA May Brazil 2020 Award

Prumo's Internal Audit Program, applicable to Porto do Açu Operações, received an award from the Institute of Internal Auditors of Brazil (IIA Brazil) concerning the best actions to raise awareness on the internal audit in 2020. The recognition was held at the 40th Edition of the Brazilian Congress of Internal Auditing - CONBRAI 2020.



### **Capacity Building**

The promotion of a culture of integrity within the scope of the Compliance Program also occurs through training. The guidelines of the Code of Conduct and Anti-Corruption are informed to newly hired employees and, from the training conducted via the virtual platform of NIDUU and Compliance Week, recycling is conducted with the workforce. In 2020, the specific training for leadership was attended by seven of the company's eight directors (88%)and 262 employees (89% of the total) participated in compliance training.

Year	Total number of employees	Total number of people trained	Percentage
2018	306	162	53%
2019	300	156	52%
2020	296	262	89%

### Whistleblowing Channel

External and independent channel for reporting violations of the Code of Conduct and Anti-Corruption, laws, regulations, and internal norms. Reports can be made anonymously or identified, by phone or website, 24 hours a day, every day of the week.

In 2020, 24 reports were received by the channel. The average time taken to investigate complaints was 44 days, below the market average of 46 days (ICTS\* data) and generated 45 action plans, which contributed to the strengthening of the Compliance Program through the improvement of processes and maintenance of the ethical culture.

#### Annual history of complaints received



#### Average time of resolution:

2018	39 days
2019	38 days
2020	44 days

\* A pioneer in the implementation of whistleblowing channel operations in Brazil, ICTS is a Brazilian consulting, auditing, technology and services company, with extensive

#### canalconfidencial.com.br/prumologistica



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Safety is part of Porto do Açu Operações values of and is a pillar of its Sustainability Strategy. With the ambition of becoming a benchmark for the port sector, the company works to continuously improve its results and promote a safety culture, encouraging collaboration among the port community.

In 2020, the company promoted actions to strengthen the safety culture through integration with port users, partners, clients and suppliers. Made investments in improving operational risk management and emergency preparedness, coordinating the consolidation of the Mutual Aid Plan for the Port of Açu (*Plano de Auxílio Mútuo* - PAM). The Road Traffic Safety Program with the port community and local municipalities was restructured and expanded. In order to improve its processes, the management system was revised and investments in campaigns and training in virtual and remote models were intensified, to meet COVID-19 pandemic restrictions without losing focus on risk management and accident prevention.

#### HEALTH AND SAFETY MANAGEMENT

Health and safety management is structured with a focus on **prevention and anticipation** and is based on global best practices. Its processes aim to protect life and the environment through the **identification and efficient control of risks, compliance with applicable legislation**, operational control procedures and measures appropriate to the activities, constant management of contractors and maintenance of asset integrity. To ensure fast and efficient response, the company manages a robust **emergency response** structure integrated with the port community. The identification and treatment of deviations in a systemic way, as well as the incorporation of lessons learned identified in incident investigations, allow the improvement of operational routines and the construction of a safer work environment. The routine evaluation of its results, carried out by means of performance indicators and audit cycles, allows the company to act in the continuous improvement of its health and safety management system.

Aiming to consolidate the safety and "zero accidents" culture, Porto do Açu Operações invests in the disclosure of knowledge and information to its employees through **campaigns, training and qualification**.

To support the implementation of all these processes, the company has in its structure a dedicated health and safety team, which operates in an integrated manner with the Internal Commission for Accident Prevention/Internal Commission for Accident Prevention in Port Work (CIPA/CIPATP) and its other areas.

## SAFETY CULTURE IN THE REMOTE MODEL

Due to the 2020 COVID-19 pandemic, the company reinvented itself and adapted its internal campaigns to the virtual model, allowing the maintenance of space for discussion and reflection on content related to safety and quality of life. The virtual model was consolidated and allowed the participation of employees to be expanded, which represented 2,296 manhours of awareness raising in the year, between campaigns and dialogues, contributing to the exchange of information and the constant reinforcement of the safety culture. The 9th edition of the Internal Week for the Prevention of Accidents in Port Work (SIPATP) organized by CIPA/CIPATP was successfully carried out. The new remote model has expanded participation by both own and outsourced employees, including those on remote work, totaling 992 man-hours of awareness-raising, with reference lectures on topics on "Prevention, Safety and Quality of Life".

## **ACCIDENTS AT WORK 403-9**

The company has the ambition to reach the zero-accident mark and its results translate the efforts to strengthen its safety culture. The year 2020 was concluded with no occurrences of lost time injury incidents and, therefore, the LTIF rate (Lost time Injury Frequency Rate) equal zero. The occurrence of an accident without lost time resulted in a TRIF (Total Recordable Incident Frequency Rate) of 0.63. The result represents a 29% decrease compared to 2018 and a 29% increase compared to 2019.

Millions of man-hours worked Employees and contractors	N. of lost time injury incidents	N. of accidents without lost time
2,2 2018	01 2018	01 2018
2,1 2019	01 2019	0 2019
1,6 2020	0 2020	01 2020
N. of fatal accidents	Lost time injury frequency rate - LTIF*	Total Recordable Incident Frequency Rate- TRIF**
0 2018	0,45 2018	0,89 2018
0 2019	0,49 9% 2019	0,49 -45% 2019
0 2020	0 -100% 2020	0,63 29% 2020

Since the beginning of its activities, the Porto do Açu Operações has not recorded any deaths among employees and contractors, at the service of the company. In all, in the years 2018 to 2020, there were four injury accidents involving contractors. The company constantly invests in the safety management of contractors, intensifying its operations and seeking to improve their processes and results.



#### Multicargo Terminal completes four years without accidents

In 2021, Porto do Açu Operações reached the four-year mark (4.163 million man-hours worked) without recordable accidents, and five years (5.696 million man-hours worked) without lost time accidents in T-MULT operations.

The positive results were achieved through the involvement, commitment and safe attitude of all those involved, leaders and operational teams, who spared no effort to consolidate an increasingly solid safety culture, prioritizing teamwork and supported by considerable investments in infrastructure and equipment.

<sup>\*</sup> The accident rates consider employees and contractors of Porto do Acu Operações and are calculated based on 1,000,000 man-hours worked.

<sup>\*\*</sup> TRIF covers accidents with medical treatment (TCM)Accidents with Work Restriction (RWC)accidents with leave of absence (LTI) and fatal accidents.

#### **ROAD TRAFFIC SAFETY PROGRAM**

Aiming to contribute to the reduction of road traffic accident rates in the port region by 2020, Porto do Açu Operações has restructured its action plan on the subject to expand its activities through investments in education and awareness campaigns, including the review and implementation of new internal regulations, monitoring of roads, improvements in infrastructure and road signs, carried out within the scope of the Traffic Safety Program.

The education and awareness campaigns, carried out in partnership with other companies installed at the port and local institutions, have so far reached over **8,000 participants** among employees, residents, students and drivers in the region. The actions involved lectures and educational blitzes, dissemination of messages and information material, installation of signage and billboards.

#### 2020:

**10 speed control blitzes**, with application of warning and educational reinforcement

**113 hours** of defensive driving training for own employees

**487 hours** of training for contractors

**R\$ 1.8 million** in maintenance of road infrastructure and signage at port accesses

#### Institutional partners:

Municipalities of São João da Barra and Campos dos Goytacazes

Federal Highway Police (PRF) and the Highway Police Battalion (BPRv)

SEST Senat

Transport and Logistics Cooperative of São João da Barra (Cooperlog SJB)



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# **EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS AND RESPONSE**

The correct management structure and the appropriate dimensioning of resources for an efficient response are the pillars of emergency management. Based on existing good practices, the company adopts the ICS methodology (Incident Command System), aimed at ensuring efficient management and response structure, with documentation of its procedures through Emergency Plans.

To meet the emergency scenarios mapped out, Porto do Açu Operações maintains a structure and team dedicated to prevention and response to victim rescue and medical evacuation, building, industrial and forest fires, chemical product leaks and oil spills at sea.

## MUTUAL AID PLAN (PLANO DE AUXÍLIO MÚTUO - PAM)

With the objective of providing greater speed and efficiency in responding to emergencies, the PAM defines the rules for integrated action by the emergency teams of the companies installed at the port. It also plays an important role in promoting synergies and the adoption of best practices among companies, contributing to the safety of Açu's operations.

## **Drills - emergency response preparedness**

To ensure proper preparedness for emergency management and response, in addition to proper training, emergency drills involving communication and resource mobilization exercises are held according to an annual calendar. Since 2018, the company intensified its calendar, increasing by 40% the volume of drills in the year.





## 2020 Performance of the Port Administration emergency response teams in numbers

### Occurrences in the company's operations

Service to the community and other companies in the port

Victim rescue and medical evacuation	0 10 (traffic accidents)
Building fires	0 0
Industrial fires	0
Forest fires	14 (common areas of the port)
Chemical leaks - HAZMAT	01* 01
Oil spill at sea	0 01 Spill with no identified source**

\* Small leak, in a contained area, without reaching the ground or water resources.

\*\* appearance of oily substances at Terminal 2 navigation channel whose source was not identified or responsibility claimed.

## MONITORING AND FIGHTING FOREST FIRES

Through the emergency brigade and with the support of the other companies at the port, the company monitors and responds to forest fires that occur in the region, aiming to protect the community, employees, the environment and the assets of the port. In 2020, 14 occurrences and 32 hours of assistance were recorded, with a total of 214,204 m<sup>2</sup> of area affected by fires. The causes, often difficult to determine, are related to anthropic action, intentional or not, generating fire outbreaks that can extend over large areas, mainly during the drier periods of the year. To reduce incidences, Porto do Açu Operações conducts recurring campaigns with port users and the local community.

## **OIL SPILLS AT SEA**

Acu has an Emergency Response Base (BPAE) For the response of accidents involving oil spills at sea. In addition to besides the resources foreseen in the scope of the BPAE, Porto do Acu Operações has contracts with a specialized company for the immediate response to oiled fauna and management of solid waste generated in the responses.

Response procedures are defined through the Oil Spill Response Plan (Plano de Emergência Individual -PEI) prepared in compliance with Conama Resolution 398/2008 and approved by INEA. Through the VTS Centre, all occurrences of oil at sea can be reported by any observer, allowing the quick and immediate triggering of the response structure.

The preparation of the Port of Açu Area Contingency Plan began in December 2019, coordinated by INEA\* and with the participation of all operating terminals, as well as related institutions - Brazilian Navy, Civil Defense and IBAMA. The Area Contingency Plan will strengthen integration between companies and further cooperate to improve emergency management processes, contributing also to the National Contingency Plan (Plano Nacional de Contingência - PNC), in the light of Brazilian law 9.966/2000.

#### **Response to the oil spill off the Brazilian coast in 2019**

Faced with the oil spill incident off the Brazilian coast in 2019, Porto do Açu Operações coordinated a task force for the Preparedness and Response to the arrival of the material at the port, aimed at ensuring the safe continuity of its operations and contributing to the protection of local ecosystems.

The task force counted on the integration between different agents, including terminals and port users, local community and municipal government, Brazilian Navy and State Environmental Institute (INEA) as well as the participation of the port in the Special Work Group (GTE) of Rio de Janeiro, responsible for crisis management in the state.

The company's performance showed, in face of an unprecedented scenario, the importance of its role as an agent of articulation for a safe and collaborative environment and the result of years of work in maintaining an adequate and efficient Emergency Management structure. This continuous and joint work has been recognized, in 2020, by IAPH, with the International Sustainability Award, in a category competing with traditional ports from around the world.

In 2020, three years were completed without accidents with oil spills at sea in the activities of Porto do Acu Operações, a result that shows the effectiveness of preventive actions and integrity management.









**Local development** and **valuing people** are commitments of Porto do Açu Operações provided for in its **Sustainability Policy** and reflected in its **corporate values**. Since the beginning of its activities, the company has focused on dialogue and engagement with stakeholders, promoting integration with the local community and strengthening the corporate culture. These actions are currently led by different areas of the company: Institutional Relations, Community Relations, Supplychain Management and Human Resources.

In 2020, the challenges related to the sustainable development of Açu were added to the context of the COVID-19 pandemic. The actions undertaken sought to adapt ongoing strategies and include new initiatives in order to ensure the maintenance of port operations and, at the same time, the safety of the community and port users.
## **VALUING PEOPLE**

The development of an ethical, diverse and inclusive work environment is an ongoing process that is being built in line with internal climate surveys and from the guidelines of the company's **Corporate Culture Work Group** and Prumo and its controlled companies **Culture**, Engagement, Diversity and Inclusion Work Group. As guidelines for these fronts, the process of strengthening the culture is being implemented through workshops, granting of additional benefits to employees and leadership training.

In 2020, the efforts to ensure the well-being of people were intensified and supported by the four internal climate surveys conducted to assess the impacts of the pandemic context on employees. In response to the demands requested in these surveys, the following specific actions have been implemented:

- Remote work for all administrative teams and preventive measures for operational teams **ACCESS**
- Additional care and benefits incorporated into the Quality-of-Life Program, including psychological support
- Financial and material support
- Adaptation of training through the adoption of an online platform



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Porto do Acu Operações seeks to attract primarily local talent and encourage the same behavior in all companies installed at the port. The Employability Network (Rede de Empregabilidade), a platform managed by the company, promotes the connection between workers in the municipalities of São João da Barra and Campos dos Goytacazes and job opportunities offered at the port. The program includes lectures at schools and universities and workshops in the surrounding communities, which aim to present how the recruitment and selection processes work and support the understanding of young people in the region about the possibilities of working in the labor market, through sharing the experience of professionals who are references in their fields. As a result, Porto do Açu Operações closed the year 2020 with 80% local labor in its workforce.

#### Main action fronts:



Integrated registration of résumés of local workers - through the website trabalheconosco.vagas.com.br/rede-de-empregabilidade

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Consultancy in the selection processes of the companies installed at Port of Açu, through the selection and screening of résumés of the Employability Network



Consolidation and monitoring of employability data at the Port of Acu, for the use of professionals in other projects developed at the port



**Engagement and local development**, starting in 2019, with a cycle of lectures and workshops that promote the empowerment of the local community, in partnerships with educational institutions in the region

In 2019, five workshops were held, with 233 community members, focused on employability and the job market, as well as 17 lectures with the sharing of experiences of port professionals for 2,005 people. In 2020, the lecture cycle was suspended in the first semester and adapted to the virtual model in the second semester. In all, 12 lectures were held with 1,700 young people from universities in Norte Fluminense.

#### Partner educational institutions:

- Universidade Federal Fluminense (UFF)
- Centro Universitário Fluminense (UNIFLU)
- Instituto Federal de Educação, Ciência e Tecnologia Fluminense (IFF)
- Núcleo Avancado do Instituto Federal Fluminense de São João da Barra (IFF-SJB)
- Faculdade Redentor de Campos (UniRedentor)
- Instituto Tecnológico e das Ciências Sociais Aplicadas e da Saúde do Centro
- Educacional Nossa Senhora Auxiliadora (ISECENSA)
- Universidade Candido Mendes (UCAM)
- Universidade Estadual do Norte Fluminense Darcy Ribeiro (UENF)

\* Employees who already lived in the municipalities of Campos and São João da Barra prior to being hired to work at the Port of Acu

#### Percentage of local labor \*

2018	Campos dos Goytacazes	43%
2010	São João da Barra	33%
2010	Campos dos Goytacazes	44%
2019	São João da Barra	34%
2020	Campos dos Goytacazes	47%
2020	São João da Barra	33%

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## **Diversity and Inclusion**

Porto do Açu Operações believes in valuing different ideas and does not tolerate any kind of discrimination in the work environment, as provided in its Code of Conduct and Anti-Corruption. The company has a channel for anonymous reporting.

In 2020, the company structured its Diversity and Inclusion Strategy\*, connected to the Sustainability Strategy and the guidelines of the **Human Resources Policy ACCESS** and the **Prumo Logística Diversity and Inclusion Manifest ACCESS**. Actions aimed at promoting a diverse and inclusive work environment are carried out in synergy with the Culture, Engagement, Diversity and Inclusion Work Group, composed of Prumo and its controlled companies. This year, efforts were directed at strengthening the culture of diversity among employees, with virtual lectures with external guests, addressing issues related to cultural diversity, gender, race and empowerment, reaching the participation of 30% of the staff. Over the next few years, the company will expand these efforts.

Continuing the implementation of the strategy, over the next few years, actions will be intensified to promote awareness, adoption of additional diversity criteria in selection processes and the formalization of the company's Diversity and Inclusion Standard.

## **Gender equity**

Gender equity is one of the great challenges in fostering diversity, especially in port operations, due to the predominantly male nature of this sector. Porto do Açu Operações recognizes its role in this journey in search of equity, with the responsibility of stimulating actions throughout the port community. In this sense, the female representation in the Vessel Traffic Service (VTS) of Port of Açu contributes directly to this agenda. **Of the nine professionals operating the VTS, eight are women, in line with the quest to promote an egalitarian environment at Açu.** 



\* The Diversity and Inclusion Strategy was formally approved in January 2021

## Organizational Profile 102-8 401-1

Porto do Açu Operações closed 2020 with 296 employees, including 13 interns, 3 young apprentices and 1 temporary employee.

**Total number of employees by employment contract** (permanent) Does not include short-term contracts (temporary, young apprentices and trainees) as these do not represent the long-term evolution of diversity in the company





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\* Program started in 2019, with 5 trainees joining the company in 2020

276 97%

268 **97**%

268 **96**%

% Blacks/Mixed-Race
n leadership % Blacks/Mixed-Race in leadership
Highest turnover rate in 2018 probably related to Grupo Prumo structure changes
New contracts + Incoming transfers   Dismissals + Outgoing transfers
Turnover rate
employees: 279 tary Dismissal: 7%
44
72
2010
<b>2018</b> Total number of employees: <b>18</b>
10
8
2020
Total number of employees: 21
3
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## Training and Development 404-1 404-2 404-3

Porto do Acu Operações development programs encompass all collaborators and allow for the offer of constant training to professionals, through mandatory training and competency development. In the year 2020, actions were adapted to the pandemic context, through the adoption of an application for development in a virtual environment. The tool allowed for greater flexibility in conducting training, which contributed to a **114% increase in the average** number of training hours per collaborator compared to 2019.





## Performance management

Another important development tool, the **evaluation and performance management process** covers 100% of collaborators at all levels. Currently, it consists of two evaluation cycles per year, through which collaborators receive feedback and support from managers for the preparation of their individual development plans. The performance of the professional and the result of the company's corporate goals make up an attractive overall reward structure for collaborators, which varies according to the individual performance of the employee and the corporate result.

## Labor and trade union relations 102-41

At Porto do Açu Operações, collective bargaining is valued and the role of the unions representing collaborators is recognized. All collaborators are covered by collective bargaining agreements and have their right to free trade union membership guaranteed. Annually, four collective bargaining agreements are negotiated with the unions, based on social and economic clauses, work shifts and the Profit Sharing Program (Programa de Participação de Resultado - PPR). In 2019 and 2020, collective bargaining was completed within the base date.

## Health promotion and well-being 401-2

The collaborators of Porto do Açu Operações are encouraged to establish a balance between work and personal life through the Quality-of-Life Program, which includes benefits for the promotion of health and well-being. The benefits are extensive to all collaborators, including temporary and part-time, some of which are established through collective bargaining agreements.



eking to support ors facing the COVID-19 additional benefits ted.

\* 180 days total | \*\* 20 days total

## Photo produced before the pandemic period



## **COMMUNITY** 413-1 413-2

The development of Açu as an investment attraction vector for Brazil and the Norte Fluminense region is a priority for the company. The port contributes to tax collection, as well as to the generation of employment and income and, even with the context of the pandemic, **Porto do Açu Operações generated R\$ 2.6 million in ISS** (Service Tax) **and hired 57 people in 2020.** 

The Company seeks to maintain a constant and transparent dialogue with stakeholders, to understand their expectations and needs, connecting them to the development of business at Açu. In the capacity of port administrator, the company also aims to evaluate and manage the impacts of Açu's operations in the region and to foster relationship and interface actions with the local community.

The action involves the approach through informative channels, dialogue actions and the implementation of social projects and development of local suppliers. In 2020, the focus was on continuing engagement actions, adapting them to the virtual model in function of the pandemic.



## **Dialogue channels and social projects**

Through information on social networks and media, local radio stations and the printed newspaper "Por Dentro do Açu", made available to various local stakeholders - community members, associations, municipal offices of São João da Barra, schools and universities -, the company maintains a flow of updated information on the development of the Port of Açu . In addition to these informative channels, Porto do Açu Operações also establishes dialogue channels and carries out actions through projects developed within the scope of environmental licensing processes, as the Social Communication Project and the Environmental Education Project, as well as volunteer activities focused on local development.

## Contact us Channel 102-53

Porto do Açu Operações provides free channels (website and 0800 phone line) to meet the demands, complaints, compliments, and requests of the community. Registrations can be made confidentially and are answered by the company within seven business days. According to the demand received, action plans are also developed for service.

- Telephone line (daily, 7am 8pm): 0800 729 0810
- Website: Talk to the Port of Açu canalconfidencial.com.br

Since the implementation of these channels in 2013, the largest number of demands are searches for job opportunities and suppliers. This trend has been maintained over the last two years.

	Total	Requests	Complaints	Suggestions	Compliments
2018	1,108	1026	43	37	2
2019	323	307	5	11	0
2020	401	355	7	37	1

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## **Portodos Visiting Program**

The result of a partnership between the Port of Açu and the City of São João da Barra, Portodos aims to bring the local community closer to Açu, through guided tours of the port areas, promoting interaction and engagement.



Since its implementation in 2009, the program has recorded more than 10,000 visitors among students, residents of the surroundings, fishermen, associations and representatives of public authorities of the municipalities of Campos dos Goytacazes and São João da Barra. In 2020, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, visits took place only in the months of January and February. In this context, Porto do Açu Operações produced a **virtual experience** to mirror the guided tour, allowing people to navigate and learn about the various areas of the port. Upon control of the COVID-19 pandemic, face-to-face visits will be resumed.

### **Portodos Visiting Program**



## ParticipAÇU - Community monitoring program

Created in 2019, this program seeks integration and dialogue with the population, civil society and the public sector and involves participatory consultations on issues of common interest, carried out by 17 youths from the local community who received training in social issues and research methodology. In 2019, 386 people living in communities near the port were interviewed. In 2020, the actions were adapted to the context of the COVID-19 pandemic, involving the implementation of virtual activities, including six debates (lives) with 108 participants and interviews with 250 local community representatives. The results of these participatory consultations are being shared with the community and will contribute to the construction of joint solutions for the region, guiding the decision making and planning of Private Social Investments of Porto do Açu Operações.

## **Community committees**

These are discussion forums in which the development of Açu and the region are addressed, establishing a channel for dialogue and permanent relationship with the community, through meetings with representatives of localities in São João da Barra. Since its inception, in 2015, **33 meetings were held with 473 participants**, including the committees of each community and the integrated forums for the discussion of topics of common interest. In 2020, the activities took place in a virtual way, covering nine locations: Açu, Mato Escuro, Barcelos, Grussaí, Atafona, Sede, Rua Nova, Cajueiro and Pipeiras.

#### **Community committees**



## **Fishing forums**

Fishing constitutes one of the main socioeconomic activities of the Norte Fluminense region, being essential to make its actions compatible with the development of the port. In this sense, the fishing forums captained by Porto do Açu Operações play an important role in communicating with the local fishing community, promoting interface and discussion on relevant topics with the three fishing colonies operating near Açu.

Its activities began in 2019, with meetings between members of the fishing colonies and representatives of the companies Porto do Açu Operações, Gás Natural Açu and Ferroport. In early 2020, new meetings were held including representatives of the Fishing Institute Foundation of the State of Rio de Janeiro (Fundação Instituto de Pesca do Estado do Rio de Janeiro - FIPERJ) and with the onset of the pandemic, the other activities planned for 2020 were interrupted, due to the need for the face-to-face nature of the interface with the fishery leaderships.

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## Local Development Council (Conselho de Desenvolvimento Local - CDL)

Created in 2018, the CDL is a voluntary discussion forum formed by representatives from various social spheres of the Norte Fluminense region with knowledge in different fields, such as academics, communicators, and representatives of organized civil society. Through cocreative meetings, the group has been discussing the main challenges for the region's sustainable development, aligned with the UN's Agenda 2030 and the growth prospects of the Port of Açu.



10 co-creative meetings and selection of themes of interest for Norte Fluminense from 2018 to 2020



Photos produced before the pandemic period

## 2020

Beginning of the action plan with action on three priority themes:

#### **1. Strengthening of Education**

Implementation of the 21st Century Schools project, aimed at training elementary and primary school educators in the municipality of São João da Barra.

- Total participants: 75 teachers from São João da Barra
- **Total Certificates:** 39 teachers completed the training

#### 2. Social Observatory

- Holding of 1st Social Observatory Forum, which brought together professionals with Observatory experience in Brazil. The objective was to exchange experiences aiming at the future customization of an observatory for the Norte Fluminense region.
- Partners: Federal Fluminense University Universidade Federal Fluminense UFF) and Federal Institute of Education, Science and Technology Fluminense (Instituto Federal de Educação, Ciência e Tecnologia - IFF)
- Total meetings: 4 virtual meetings
- Total hours and views: 293 hours of viewing and 943 views
- **Impacted audience:** 81 people reached simultaneously, 71% of them in Campos dos Govtacazes
- **Final Proposal:** structuring of a platform to monitor the region's socioeconomic indicators

#### **3.** Sustainable entrepreneurship

Holding of the 1st Sustainable Entrepreneurship Meeting, which promoted debate and local articulation for the dissemination of good practices in the agriculture and food sectors, with the participation of institutions focused on sustainable entrepreneurship, municipal offices, universities, consumers, and researchers.

- Format: virtual
- **Duration:** three days
- Participants: 138 participants.
- Highline: the region's natural vocation for rural entrepreneurship, especially with the successful experiences of companies and industries that have managed to add value to their business by adopting sustainable practices

## AbrAÇU Volunteer Program

The voluntary engagement of collaborators in social projects supported by Porto do Açu Operações reflects the commitment of people to the company's purpose of creating shared value through sustainable development.



Created in 2017, AbrAÇU involves the actions of collaborators of Porto do Açu Operações and other port companies in the development of solutions to problems and challenges of society - in particular, for people and groups in situations of social vulnerability. Among the campaigns carried out, the highlights are the collection and donation of food, clothes, toys and books, cultural activities in public schools and blood donation.

In 2020, although no face-to-face activities were held due to the COVID-19 pandemic, there was the engagement of 250 volunteers from the port, participating in five actions, which benefited 2,012 people from 8 institutions.





#### N. of actions carried out













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## Creation of the São João da Barra Industrial District (Distrito Industrial de São João da Barra - DISJB)

To boost economic development in the North Fluminense, providing synergies with the port and industrial projects under development in Açu, the State Government of Rio de Janeiro initiated the implementation of an industrial district in the municipality of São João da Barra. In this scenario, the State - through decrees\* in the years 2008 and 2009 - declared of public utility, for expropriation purposes, an area of approximately 70km<sup>2</sup> for the installation of the São João da Barra Industrial District (DISJB). This process involved the performance of studies and technical opinions by the Rio de Janeiro State Industrial Development Company (Companhia de Desenvolvimento Industrial do Estado do Rio de Janeiro - CODIN) and generated 476 legal proceedings regarding the properties to be expropriated.

In the scenario of these expropriations, starting in 2011, Porto do Açu Operações, which already had a relationship with the local community, voluntarily proposed to the owners and possessors of areas located within the DISJB the acquisition of their properties, by payment of amounts established in the expropriation proceedings reports. This action allowed several owners and possessors to receive in advance the amounts due for the areas they occupied without the need to wait for the unfolding of the legal proceedings -, thus minimizing the natural impacts of the expropriation process. In the context of these acquisitions, the company also assumed the costs with the regularization of the properties and the payment of taxes, allowing the expropriated parties to receive the amounts due without discounts.

In total, Porto do Açu Operações acquired in advance approximately 43.18 km<sup>2</sup> - equivalent to 62% of the total area of the DISJB -, anticipating payments to 282 owners and possessors. The other legal proceedings related to the remaining areas were processed through an expropriation process conducted by CODIN.

Besides conducting direct negotiations of the properties, Porto do Açu Operações has also been seeking to contribute to the maintenance of productive activities and to the continuous improvement of the living conditions of the owners, possessors and lessees of the rural areas that comprise the DISJB, through the **Production Assistance Program, Vila da Terra Resettlement, and the Fair at the Port Project.** 

## **Production Assistance Program**

In 2011, Porto do Açu Operações entered into a Technical Cooperation Agreement with CODIN and the Municipality of São João da Barra to benefit landowners, producers and tenants demonstrably occupying properties in the area of the DISJB with payments of 1 to 5 Brazilian minimum wages for 24 months. These actions aimed at maintaining the productive conditions and reached 269 registered beneficiaries, totaling, since the beginning of the project, R\$13.5 million\*\* paid by Porto do Açu Operações.



\*\* Amount as of November 2020

\* Decrees 41.584/2008, 41.585/2008, 41.915/2009 and 41.916/2009

## Vila da Terra Resettlement

As a way of contributing to the maintenance of the living standards of families who resided on properties that comprised the DISJB area, CODIN and Porto do Açu Operações, in partnership with the municipality of São João da Barra, created the Vila da Terra Resettlement Program. In this process, Porto do Açu Operações



acquired a 908-hectare property (Palacete Farm) located next to the DISJB area, to which 53 families were relocated, according to eligibility criteria defined by a social diagnosis prepared by CODIN.

All the families received plots with areas equal to or larger than those occupied in the DISJB area, with larger houses than the previous ones, fully furnished. The infrastructure of the lots included fencing, access roads and drainage, public lighting, water and power distribution networks, sewage collection systems and water production wells for use in agricultural or livestock activities.

Each family that had rural production as its main source of employment and income received social and agricultural technical assistance for at least 24 months, and monitoring to assess the conditions of adaptation and productivity, including the development of activities and training courses. The total investment of Porto do Açu Operações in this project has reached R\$ 60 million.

Moreover, Porto do Açu Operações promotes actions that aim the constant improvement of agricultural and commercial practices developed in Vila da Terra. In this sense, the company supported the creation of the **Association of Rural Producers of Vila da Terra (Associação de Produtores Rurais do Vila da Terra - APROVILA)** and granted an area of approximately 145 hectares in the Palacete Farm so that the association could use it profitably and for the benefit of the associated producers. As part of the strengthening actions, the company also promoted training and provided technical assistance to members.

These actions aimed to increase the gradual independence of APROVILA and had as important results the commercialization of production for the school meals of the municipality of São João da Barra, through the Brazilian National School Meals Program (Programa Nacional de Alimentação Escolar - PNAE), and in open fairs, as in the case of the Feira no Porto Project.

In 2020, with the COVID-19 pandemic, the production directed to school meals was compromised with the suspension of school activities. In this scenario, Porto do Açu Operações directly purchased the production of APROVILA and another group of farmers, from Alto do Cardeiro. The seven tons produced\* and acquired were donated to 20 charities and shelters in São João da Barra and Campos dos Goytacazes, which offered meals in needy communities. The donations were made in partnership with the Municipal Secretariat of Agriculture and other companies of the Prumo Group - Açu Petróleo, Ferroport and Gas Natural do Açu.

\* Being 2 tons produced by Vila da Terra and 5 tons, by Alto do Cardeiro



## Fair at the Port Project

As part of Porto do Açu Operações' support for the residents of the Vila da Terra resettlement and the need for these families to commercialize their agricultural production, in 2017, Porto do Açu Operações created the Fair at the Port Project.

Through collective and participative organization for the commercialization of the community's agricultural products, the project promotes the generation of income for the farmers of Vila da Terra. At the same time, it offers collaborators of the companies installed at Port of Açu the opportunity to consume fresh products, adding value and saving time by making their purchases at the workplace.

Between 2017 and 2019, the fair brought together the rural producers of Vila da Terra at the facilities of Porto do Açu Operações and other companies installed in Açu, with weekly periodicity in each of them. During this period, the marketers recorded an average income of R\$ 300.00 to R\$ 500.00 per fair.

In 2020, the project needed to be adjusted and became an itinerant fair, with digital disclosure to the collaborators of Porto do Açu Operações and delivery of products in open environments in the municipalities of Campos dos Goytacazes and São João da Barra.

Fair at the Port



## **Fairs held** 84 2018 2019 110 36 2020 Food marketed 4.631 kg 2018 2019 5,080 kg 2020 898 kg Income generated 2018 R\$ 39,000.00 R\$ 44,000.00 2019 2020 R\$ 16.640.00\*

\* Although revenue from sales at the Fair at the Port has reduced, the production of these farmers was purchased directly by the Prumo group companies, as part of the initiatives of the Humanitarian Actions Committee

## Local suppliers development 102-9

The purchasing and supplier contracting processes of Porto do Açu Operações adopt social, environmental and governance criteria. In this context, the company seeks to guide the relationship with its suppliers by transparency and the construction of long-term shared value, in particular through engagement and development actions.

Porto do Açu Operações has a virtual platform for supplier registration **portodoacu.com.br/en/become-a-supplier ACCESS** and customer service to clarify doubts about the channel **portodoacu.com.br/fornecedores/atendimento-central-de-cadastro ACCESS**, with the objective of mapping potential suppliers and ensuring the efficiency of the hiring processes.

Development actions focused on local suppliers have been carried out since 2011, with the implementation of the Local Suppliers Development Program in partnership with Brazilian small business support service (Serviço Brasileiro de Apoio às Micro e Pequenas Empresas - SEBRAE). The purpose is to seek the training and articulation of the network of services and local trade, in line with Açu's environmental licensing processes. In 2017, the development of the program along these lines was completed and, in 2020, it was updated in connection with the regional development guidelines of the Porto do Açu Operações Sustainability Policy.

As a result, in the same year, the company formalized the creation of a Work Group with the Secretariat of Economic Development of the municipality of São João da Barra, with a view to developing joint actions to maximize the hiring of local suppliers over the next few years in connection with the prospects for business development at the Port of Açu.

#### Main results:

The percentage of local suppliers contracted has remained at approximately 15%, with an

# Number and percentage of local suppliers<sup>1</sup> contracted



1 - Suppliers from the municipalities of São João da Barra and Campos dos Goytacazes

2 - Product or service

2018	2019	2020
504	537	504
82	81	75
16%	15%	15%
2018	2019	2020
6711	8491	4905
1236	1761	1356
18%	21%	28%







The Sustainability Policy establishes Porto do Açu Operações commitment to developing its business in an environmentally responsible way, focusing on **high environmental performance**, ensuring **legal compliance** and **adequate management of environmental aspects and risks.** 

In its role as Port Administration, it is active in the search for **synergies** and the dissemination of good **environmental practices** among the other companies installed at the port, and with its suppliers, tenants and business partners.

Through the RPPN Caruara, the company operates in the **conservation of biodiversity and ecosystem services** of the region. Due to its geographical location in a priority breeding area, the company develops **actions for the conservation of sea turtles**, acting in environmental monitoring and education and in the implementation of operational control measures that prevent and minimize the risk of accidental interaction with these species. The Sustainability Policy establishes its commitment to contribute to mitigating the impacts of climate change. In 2020, the company began its structuring and planning to conduct the subject. Throughout 2021, studies will be conducted to **assess the risks and opportunities in the face of climate change**, and for the adoption of adaptation strategies necessary to ensure the resilience of port assets and operations.

## International standard of sustainability in the port sector



In 2019, Porto do Açu Operações joined the Ecoports Network, the main sustainability initiative of the European port sector. Ecoports was created in 1997 and since 2011 has been a member of the European Sea Ports Organization (ESPO). One of the organization's objectives is to standardize good socio-environmental management practices in the sector through cooperation and knowledge sharing.

## **ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT**

The environmental management of the activities of Porto do Açu Operações is guided by standards and procedures aligned to the Sustainability Policy, and includes the assessment of risks and potential environmental impacts related to its operations. It is also responsible for the definition of programs, processes and control and monitoring measures.

Compliance with legal requirements is carried out based on a system of control and evaluation of the applicable requirements. Through periodic performance evaluation and internal and external audits, the management system seeks continuous improvement and process efficiency.

Among the managed environmental aspects, the generation of solid waste and effluents, atmospheric emissions and consumption of water and energy resources stand out. In port administration activities, the company is responsible for managing dredging operations carried out at Terminal 2 and, therefore, to ensure compliance with applicable legal requirements, licensing requirements and best available environmental practices.

## Solid and liquid waste 301-2 303-2 306-1 306-2 306-3 306-4 306-5

Porto do Açu Operações' waste management aims to reduce waste generation and dispose of it in an environmentally appropriate way, prioritizing reuse and recycling.

At the company's facilities, recyclable waste is processed to form economic lots and optimize logistics. The recycling of 100% of organic waste is also performed through composting, generating fertilizers that are used in the plantings of the RPPN Caruara. Hazardous waste is directed for energy reuse through co-processing, and reverse logistics is performed with batteries, packaging of chemical products and used lubricating oils, sent for re-refining. Thus, the company sends to landfill only the waste that has no application for any type of recycling or reuse.

In 2020, 554 tons of solid waste were generated, of which 76% was directed to recycling and reverse logistics. Only 24% were not treatable, being directed for disposal in landfills. These figures reflect the results of the company's investments in prioritizing recycling. In 2018, 52% of recyclable waste was directed to this purpose. In 2019, the percentage increased to 86% and in 2020, it reached 100%.

All suppliers responsible for transportation, treatment and final disposal are carefully selected and audited. Waste management strictly follows the legislation in force. Due to the dynamic characteristics of the activities of Porto do Açu Operações, the volume of waste generated each year presents great annual variation. The increase in total volume, in 2020, is related to the destination of large volumes of scrap metal and wood, accumulated to optimize logistics costs. On the other hand, there was a reduction in the volume of organic and non-recyclable waste, directly related to the reduction of personnel at the port due to the pandemic.

#### QUANTITY OF SOLID WASTE DISPOSED BY CATEGORY



#### DESTINATION







0 ton				
		401 ton		
	358 tor			
	556 101	1		554 ton

In 2020, **T-MULT** maintained its specific solid waste generation per ton of cargo handled, concluding the year at the same level as 2018, which represents a 25% decrease compared to 2019.

## Reuse of organic waste for fertilizer generation

Porto do Açu Operações performs the composting of its organic waste, enabling its use as fertilizer in the plantings of the RPPN Caruara. The initiative promotes the circular economy and generates resource savings by recycling 100% of the organic waste generated. August 2019 to December 2020, the unit received 16.5 tons of organic waste, generating 2.1 tons of fertilizer. In addition to providing the reuse of organic waste, composting contributes to reducing greenhouse gas emissions (GHG) related to transport and landfill disposal.



Regarding liquid effluents, the company's activities generate sanitary and industrial effluents. Sanitary effluents are collected and sent for external treatment. Over 99% of industrial effluents, generated in the T-MULT operations, are treated in the industrial effluent treatment plant (Estação de Tratamento de Efluente Industrial - ETEI) of the terminal. A small portion is sent for external treatment.

The generation of industrial effluent is related, mainly, to the intensity of rainfall (rainwater effluent from handling and storage areas) and the use of water for atmospheric emission controls (pile and roadway moistening).

#### Industrial 2018 43.439 2019 32,730 43,215 2020 **Grand total** Sanitary 47,877 2018 4,438 2018 2019 4.612 2019 37.341 2020 2,515 45,731 2020

## Management of waste from vessels

Porto do Açu Operações provides waste and effluent management services for vessels, from their unloading, proper packaging and transportation, to their final destination and documentation management. The procedures follow guidelines and best practices recommended by ANTAQ\*, ANVISA\*\* and the applicable environmental legislation.

In 2020, 16 tons of solid waste and 3,000 m<sup>3</sup> of effluents from vessels were managed. With the management of solid waste and effluents from vessels, the company ensures environmentally adequate final destinations, which are the same adopted for its waste.

#### SHIP WASTE MANAGEMENT



#### **DISPOSAL OF SHIP-GENERATED WASTE**



\*ANTAQ - Brazilian National Agency for Waterway Transport \*\*ANVISA - Brazilian National Health Surveillance Agency \*\*\*Higher volume related to the increase in demand for this type of service

**EFFLUENT GENERATION** | Quantity in m<sup>3</sup>/year

3.036\*\*\*

## **AIR EMISSIONS AND AIR QUALITY**

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The air emissions from the activities of Porto do Açu Operações are related, mainly, to wind drag of particulate material from the solid bulks stored and handled at T-MULT, and, less relevantly, the material detached due to the action of wind on unpaved access roadways. To control atmospheric emissions from activities, investments were made in control equipment and operational measures, based on good industry practices and in compliance with environmental restrictions.



To evaluate the air quality in the internal areas of the port and its surroundings, a monitoring network with five data collection points was installed, consisting of one automatic station and four semi-automatic stations, which measure particulate matter concentration and meteorological parameters. The results obtained through the network show no changes in air guality in the region due to port operations.

Air quality monitoring in the port is performed based on the Air Quality Index (IQAr), CONAMA Resolution 491/2018 based on the continuous monitoring data of PM10 and PM2.5. In the last three years, the recorded air guality has been classified as Good (IQAr< 40) 100% of the time.



#### Fewer emissions in shipping 201-2

Porto do Açu Operações adopted, in January 2021, the Environmental Performance Index -Environmental Ship Index (ESI) which classifies ships that exceed the emission standards set by the International Maritime Organization (IMO).

Ships that perform above environmental standards, including levels of greenhouse gas emissions, now have access to differentiated port tariffs. With the initiative, Porto do Açu Operações joins a list of 62 global ports that have adopted the incentive mechanism.

The ESI is a project led by the World Ports Sustainability Program (WPSP) linked to the International Association of Ports and Harbors (IAPH).



## **ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION**

Aligned with the Acu licensing processes, environmental education activities have been carried out since 2012 and play an important role in the local community by developing actions related to the socio-environmental agenda of the region.

Among the initiatives, there are lectures and various dynamics. Among them, releases of sea turtle hatchlings by the PMTM, activities to promote awareness about the World Beach Cleaning Day and the dissemination of educational information about the ecosystem in the region, guided by visits to the RPPN Caruara and video and essay contests with municipal schools.









## MONITORING OF COASTAL WATER RESOURCES

The environmental monitoring conducted by Porto do Açu Operações meets the requirements of the environmental licensing processes for the activities and applicable legislation, in addition to following good industry practices, and is being improved on an ongoing basis.

Through a robust network of monitoring of continental and marine water resources, air quality, noise emissions and fauna, the environmental quality of the port and its surroundings is monitored, forming a database from the pre-implementation period of the project.

The company monitors the coastal water resources of the port area and its surroundings, including groundwater, coastal lagoons, floodable areas, channels, and the sea. The activities are carried out periodically, according to an annual plan.

Since the initial environmental studies to evaluate the feasibility and design of Acu, more than 10 years of data have been generated. The results obtained indicate that the environmental controls implemented by the different enterprises at Acu are adequate to monitor the environmental aspects related to the port's operations.



8 stations for water quality, biota

**13 wells** for level monitoring 60 wells for groundwater quality monitoring

22 stations for water quality, biota and marine sediment monitoring 6 stations for bioindicator monitoring

## MONITORING OF COASTAL MORPHODYNAMICS

In compliance with the conditions of the environmental licenses issued, the Program for Monitoring the Dynamics of Marine Sedimentology and Coastal Erosion was implemented. The program is responsible for monitoring a 20 km stretch of coastline, through 38 monitoring stations, with the collection of topobathymetric data and analysis of sediment granulometry.



\* The issue is monitored, since 2020, by the Federal Public Ministry, through a Public Civil Action, filed against the company, motivated by the relevance of the issue for the region.

## ENERGY CONSUMPTION 302-1 302-4

The activities of Porto do Açu Operações present low energy consumption, related to the administrative offices and operational areas of the T-MULT. In 2020, there was a 17% reduction in energy consumption and a 5% reduction in T-MULT, both reflecting the decrease in office activities with the application of the remote work policy due to the pandemic.

#### **ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIVITIES**



## WATER CONSUMPTION MANAGEMENT 303-1 303-3 303-5

Acu is in a transition region between marine and terrestrial environments. The site is formed by several lagoons, as well as a complex system of natural and artificial channels and aquifers.

To guarantee the adequate use of these water resources and the port's water supply, Porto do Açu Operações, through its subsidiary Águas Industriais do Açu, developed the Water Supply Master Plan, which provides guidelines for current and future water management.

Currently, the main source of supply is groundwater withdrawal from the Emborê Aquifer. To ensure the different uses of the aquifer in a sustainable manner, the company carries out management and monitoring of the catchments. Through this work and the data collected, it contributes to the understanding of the dynamics of existing aquifers in the region. The management of water resources relies on the implementation of a telemetry monitoring system, which allows real-time measurement of the quality and volumes of water captured, conferring greater control and safety to operations.



### VOLUME OF WATER CONSUMED IN THE OFFICE AND RPPN CARUARA



## **Pioneering coastal aquifer management**

Coastal aguifers, such as Emborê, are subject to natural saltwater intrusion processes, which requires proper management of the catchment systems. This type of management has been adopted in Europe and North America, but is still an uncommon practice in Brazil.

Naturally sweet groundwater discharges into the sea and creates a dynamic equilibrium with oceanic saltwater. Proper management controls extractions from the aquifer to maintain this balance.

Porto do Açu Operações is also working on prioritizing alternative sources of water, aiming to reduce the demand for the Emborê intake. In 2020, reuse represented savings of approximately 30% of the volume of industrial water used at the TMULT. Studies are underway for the reuse of rainwater in the port's macro drainage systems. Good management of water resources depends on in-depth knowledge of the aquifer, real-time monitoring and accurate control of the groundwater extraction operation. Acu bases itself on these pioneering actions to ensure the responsible and sustainable use of the resource and the robustness and security of supply.



## **ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT OF DREDGING**

Dredging is an essential activity for port undertakings, carried out periodically to ensure navigability and safe access to port terminals. These are highly complex operations and have relevant environmental aspects, that must be properly managed to mitigate potential impacts.

Because of the geographical location of Port of Açu, inserted in a breeding area for loggerhead sea turtles (*Caretta caretta* species), the implementation of dredging presents a unique challenge related to measures for the protection of these animals.

Thus, since the first dredgings for the port's implementation, mitigation, control, and monitoring measures for the protection of sea turtles were defined with the environmental licensing agency, INEA, and the Tamar Center / ICMBio. Since the beginning of the Port's constructions, the dredging carried out totals approximately 120 million cubic meters of sediment removed to ensure maritime access. During these operations, measures were improved and adapted to the environmental context of Açu, allowing greater robustness to environmental management.

- Operation schedule respecting the reproductive period
- Use of grids and turtle deflectors on dredge heads
- Definition of operational limits for navigation and pump drive speed
- Qualified on-board observers for visual inspection of the measures and identification of the occurrence of turtles and mammals
- Light emission control
- Rescuing injured animals and sending them to rehabilitation

The environmental management of dredging also includes environmental education and social communication actions, aimed at informing and raising awareness of the operations, their potential impacts and control measures.

Throughout the year, by the Sea Turtle Monitoring Program, a dedicated team performs beach monitoring to identify reproductive and nonreproductive occurrences, and during dredging operations help identify animals that may be injured by the operations.

To measure potential impacts of operations on environmental quality, marine monitoring is intensified during dredging works and also extended to the sediment disposal area, where material dredged from navigation channels is sent for final disposal at sea. These areas are identified through environmental studies and approved by the environmental licensing agency and the Brazilian Navy.

It is through such monitoring that we are able to conclude that our dredging operations do not deteriorate the environmental quality, since the results indicate no significant changes in monitored physical, chemical and biotic parameters (water, plankton, benthos, sediment and bioindicator organisms). In addition, the results of the turtle monitoring program show no negative impact of these activities on the conservation of the species in the port area.

## Port Administration coordinates technical work to elaborate a Standard Protocol for Maintenance Dredging at Port of Açu

In 2020, Porto do Açu Operações coordinated the development of the Standard Protocol for Maintenance Dredging, in which the different terminals responsible for the execution of dredging in the port, INEA and the Tamar Center/ICMBio participated. The work had the technical support of international reference consultants in sea turtle protection, responsible for developing the subject in the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (U.S. Army Corps of Engineers - USACE). The protocol, the first of its kind in Brazil, will serve as a guide for future dredging and consolidates lessons learned and best practices obtained throughout the port's history and in more than 30 years of dredging operations in sea turtle protection areas in the United States.



## **CLIMATE CHANGE MITIGATION AND ADAPTATION 201-2**

Since 2016. Porto do Acu Operações has been conducting its annual greenhouse gas inventory, in accordance with the guidelines of the Brazilian GHG Protocol Program covering all operations. The objective of the initiative is to quantify and understand the profile of the company's emissions to guide the planning of its mitigation actions.

With the approval of the Sustainability Strategy, Porto do Açu Operações identified as a priority for the development of its business the definition of actions for mitigation and adaptation to climate change. Thus, it has been working on the assessment of opportunities and risks to define its operating strategy.

## GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS 305-1 305-2 305-3

The main direct emissions (scope 1) of the Porto do Açu Operações are related to the consumption of fuel to supply equipment and vessels. Indirect emissions (scope 2) refer to the import and consumption of electricity from the National Interconnected System (Sistema Interligado Nacional - SIN). Indirect emissions (scope 3) are due to the transportation and movement of suppliers and displacement of collaborators from their homes to the workplace and corporate travel.

In 2020, a considerable reduction in total GHG emissions was recorded, compared to 2019, due to the lower volume of operations at T-MULT and at port administration offices. Other reasons were the non-performance of dredging activities and the restriction of non-essential activities due to the pandemic, representing a 70% decrease from 2019 total emissions and a 55% decrease from 2018 total emissions.

The reduction in T-MULT operations resulted in a minor increase in the terminal's carbon intensity from 0,0024 tCO2e/ton cargo handled in 2019 to 0,0037 tCO2e/ton cargo handled in 2020. On the other hand, as a result of the plantings carried out in the RPPN Caruara, by the end of 2020, 1,427 tCO2 will have been removed, which represents 40% of the company's GHG emissions in 2020 and 6% of the total emissions accumulated in the last three years.

#### **GHG emissions in tCO2e**



## BIODIVERSITY CONSERVATION 304-1 304-2 304-3 304-4

Açu is inserted in a region with a landscape marked by rich biodiversity, with a great variety of water resources and Atlantic Forest vegetation with predominance of the restinga ecosystem, and is located in a priority area for conservation of sea turtles of the species Caretta caretta\*.

Aiming the development of Acu's operations in balance with the local biodiversity, Porto do Acu Operações leads the conservation actions in the region, centralized in the RPPN Caruara and with emphasis on the Sea Turtle Conservation Program.

## SEA TURTLE CONSERVATION PROGRAM

Since 2008, the company has coordinated the Sea Turtle Conservation Program, which aims to protect, monitor and research sea turtles that use the region for breeding, feeding and habitat. The program, conducted in partnership with Ferroport and Acu Petróleo, companies with terminals operating in the port, is conducted with the monitoring of INEA and the Tamar Center/ICMBio.

In the 2020/2021 reproductive season, the program reached the mark of 1 million sea turtle hatchlings released to the sea in more than 100 release actions open to the public, and ensured the preservation of more than 14,000 nests.



<sup>\*</sup> According to the National Action Plan - PAN TARTARAGAS MARINHAS (MMA, 2010)

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5,532

With 13 years of collected data, Porto do Açu Operações contributes to the scientific knowledge of sea turtles. The results obtained show that the actions taken are allowing the development of port operations in harmony with the conservation of the species. By means of environmental education actions, awareness of the local community and tourists regarding preservation actions, the initiative results in protection of the species.

## Lines of action

#### Sustainable port operations

- Protection and control measures for dredging operations
- Mitigation of light emissions by terminals (photo mitigation)

#### Monitoring and protection of coastal environments

• Daily monitoring of 62 km of beach line, with methodology established with INEA and Tamar Center/ICMBio, carried out by specialized team to identify strandings and reproductive occurrences of sea turtle species

14.279

13 374

- Nest protection: 14,279 nests by season 2020/2021
- Animal rehabilitation center: 70 animals recovered and 110 marked for monitoring
- 13 years of data contributing to the scientific knowledge on turtle species in the region

10.79

9 82

250 330 420 510 630 720 790 880 970 1 million

#4 #5 #6 #7 #8 #9 #10 #11 #12 #13

Breeding season

#### Engagement with communities and environmental education

• Environmental Education Actions with the Community

Number of nests

(thousand)

3,436

2.534

170

#3

1 518

Number of hatchlings

4,360

• Release Actions with more than 1 million hatchlings returned to the sea

#### NUMBER OF NESTS AND HATCHLINGS PROTECTED PER SEASON (NUMBERS CUMULATIVE)

Through daily beach monitoring, the program team identifies turtle nests and installs protection to prevent depredation, aiming to ensure that the hatchlings can be safely born.

\*\*Until March 2021

#### 1469 animals necropsied from December 2011 to March 2021





The results of the daily beach monitoring show that the interaction with anthropogenic activities is the main threat to sea turtles, representing 87% of the causes of death diagnosed in the animals found. Among the anthropic causes, the three main ones identified (98%) are: ingestion of waste, interaction with fishing gear and vessels. The identification of the causes helps the company to direct efforts to prevent and reduce occurrences.





Photo produced before the pandemic period



# **RPPN Caruara**

Created on a voluntary basis on July 19, 2012, the Caruara Private Natural Heritage Reserve (RPPN Caruara) is the largest private conservation unit in the country dedicated to the restinga ecosystem and the largest environmental asset of the Port of Açu . It covers an area of 40 km<sup>2</sup> and protects an important remaining fragment of restinga and stretches of forest and environments associated with the lagoons of Iquipari and Grussaí, in the São João da Barra municipality.

#### Mission

Protect, restore and promote the biodiversity of the largest remaining fragment of restinga in a private area in Brazil, through actions and services that generate scientific knowledge and environmental, social and economic benefits.

#### Vision

To be a world reference in the large-scale restoration of the restinga vegetation and the conservation of its associated biodiversity.



## **Action Pillars:**

## Tourist visitation

Establish itself as a place of tourist interest, encouraging and developing sustainable tourism in the region.

### • Environmental services

Develop initiatives that favor the maintenance, recovery and improvement of the environment.

### Education and scientific research

Encourage the use of the reserve as a place for teaching, research and popularization of knowledge about the biodiversity of the restinga.

The management of the RPPN is carried out by the Reserva Ambiental Fazenda Caruara S.A., a subsidiary of Porto do Açu Operações. Forest recomposition and fauna and flora monitoring programs are developed in the reserve. Currently, approximately 40 local residents work directly in these programs. The reserve also maintains the only seedling nursery in the country dedicated to the restinga ecosystem, currently carrying out the management of 88 species of flora typical of this environment. Since the creation of the RPPN Caruara, 1,142 hectares of restinga vegetation have already been planted.

In addition, the work developed by the reserve has relevant scientific importance with the formation of a database, with a total of 292 species of flora and 563 species of fauna cataloged, 17 of which are on the list of endangered species.

#### **PLANTING IN THE RPPN**



#### COMPENSATORY PLANTING OF PORTO DO AÇU OPERAÇÕES



#### **CATALOGUED SPECIES**

FLORA - 292 FAUNA - 563 (17 endangered species)

The company recognizes the importance of biodiversity and regards it as intrinsic to its business, considering its richness, breadth and value in maintaining life and ecosystem services for the sustainable development of its surroundings.

In this sense, it is strategic to continue the development and management of the Caruara Reserve, contributing to the conservation of biodiversity and the development of ecosystem services in the region and sharing the knowledge generated in this large-scale restoration experience. One of the objectives is to contribute so that such techniques are replicated in other areas of the Brazilian coast.

- Largest restinga fragment on private land in the country
- 40km<sup>2</sup> protected area
- 24 lines of research being developed
- 40 workers with 100% local labor
- 200 thousand seedlings produced per year in the largest nursery dedicated to the restinga
- More than 1,3 million seedlings planted
- 1,142 hectares of plantings completed

## **Caruara achieves international visibility**

The Caruara Reserve was included, in 2020, in the Botanical Guide of The Field Museum, in Chicago (USA)founded in the 19th century, and a reference in cataloguing and making available academic research on the world's flora and fauna. The inclusion of the RPPN Caruara in the guide reinforces the relevance of the reserve in academic research in the area of botany.

## Access the Management Plan and publications on the company's website: https://portodoacu.com.br/en/sustainability/





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