

MRA seizes Rs. 30 Million Cocaine



The **Mauritius Revenue Authority** (MRA) seized 2.03 kg of Cocaine worth Rs. 30,450,000 on the 13th of November, 2023 at the SSR International Airport. A Bolivian passenger aged 30, travelling by Emirates Flight EK701 from Dubai was targeted by CANS Officers while she was leaving through the green channel, based on established risk profiles.

The Passenger's luggage was scanned and the scanning image was suspicious. The passenger together with her luggage was then directed to CANS office. Upon examination of the luggage, it was found to be abnormally heavy while empty and the inner linings were found to be unusually thick.

The luggage's inner lining was cut open and found to contain two rectangular parcels with a certain quantity of powder suspected to be dangerous drugs.

A presumptive field test for cocaine was carried out and revealed to be positive and both parcels were weighed and a gross indicative weight of 2.03 Kg was found. K9 Dog Alice was then deployed and it reacted positively on the exhibits.

The exhibits were secured and referred to ADSU for further enquiry.

Members of the public are reminded that they may report suspected drug cases/ illicit activities to the MRA through the MRA Stop Drug Platform (www.mra.mu) or by calling on the Hotline 8958.