

MRA seizes Cannabis worth Rs 12,240,000



The Mauritius Revenue Authority (MRA) seized 10.2 kg (Gross Indicative Weight) of cannabis worth Rs 12,240,000, on board cargo vessel MV Toconao on 18 August 2025.

Following a profiling exercise, a search operation was conducted jointly by officers of the Customs Anti-Narcotics Section (CANS), Maritime Intelligence Cell (MIC), and Divisional Crime Intelligence Unit (DCIU) on board vessel MV Toconao, which arrived from Durban and berthed at the Mauritius Container Terminal (MCT).

During the rummage of the vessel, eight plastic bags containing dry leaf matter, suspected to be cannabis, were found concealed in the metal structure of the crossdeck of MV Toconao.

A field test was conducted, and it revealed positive to Cannabis.

Additionally, K9 sniffer dog Honey was deployed and it reacted positively.

The exhibit was transferred to the Anti-Drug & Smuggling Unit (ADSU) Exhibit Room.

Police investigation is underway.

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.