

MRA seizes 2Lts of a liquid, suspected to be synthetic drugs, worth Rs 30M



The Mauritius Revenue Authority (MRA) seized 2 litres of a liquid, suspected to be synthetic drugs worth Rs 30 million, at the Plaisance Air Transport Services warehouse.

The consignment was flagged by the MRA Customs Anti-Narcotics Section (CANS) team due to its classification as high-risk goods originating from a high-risk country.

The consignment was opened and it was found to contain food products and other daily items, along with one carton box that contained two glass bottles, bubble-wrapped and branded 'Solenta Pur Jus Pomme et Poire, 1 Lt.' **The stickers affixed to the bottles were labeled as follows:**

- Bottle A: 'Aliment à diluer à 30%', containing a significant amount of an emulsion liquid that was pale green and pale yellow in color, secured with a black cap.
- Bottle B: 'Huile d'olive', containing a significant amount of a yellowish liquid, also secured with a black cap.

A field test for synthetic cannabinoids was carried out on the content of both bottles. The result was positive.

The Anti-Drug and Smuggling Unit (ADSU) prepared a dummy for a controlled delivery operation. On April 11, 2025, the consignee was arrested and detained for further inquiry. He was warned of prosecution that would follow if the liquid is confirmed to be dangerous drugs by the Forensic Science Laboratory (FSL).

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.