

UGANDAN PASSENGERS PURGE 160 PELLETS OF HEROIN WORTH RS 29.9 M



The Customs Anti-Narcotics Section (CANS) of the MRA intercepted two passengers at the SSR International Airport, on Friday 06 May 2022. The two female passengers arrived in Mauritius on board Kenya Airways flight KQ 270 from Nairobi, Kenya.

After the necessary enquiry and medical examination, they purged 160 pellets of drug suspected to be heroin, having a gross weight of 1,994 grams, worth around Rs 29,910,000.

The two passengers aged 27 and 43 respectively, were leaving through the Green Channel when they were intercepted by officers of CANS. The two passengers were subject to a body search and an examination of their luggage was carried out, but nothing incriminating was found.

A body scan was then carried out on both passengers and the scanned images revealed the presence of foreign bodies in their stomachs, suspected to be dangerous drugs. Upon questioning, both passengers confessed having swallowed a number of pellets each.

The passengers were handed over 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.

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