

Rs 15 Million dangerous drugs seized by MRA at Airport



The Mauritius Revenue Authority (MRA) seized 3.10 kg of dangerous drugs worth approximately Rs 15.5 Million at the Sir Seewoosagar Ramgoolam (SSR) International Airport on May 16, 2024. Customs Anti-Narcotics Section (CANS) officers, relying on established risk profiles, targeted and intercepted a French passenger while she was leaving Customs through the Green Channel. The passenger was taken to the Customs counter for luggage verification and in-depth questioning. During the inspection, it was noted that the luggage of the passenger was heavy on one side, and upon further examination, five plastic sachets, each containing a certain quantity of a brown paste, suspected to be dangerous drugs, were found concealed in the false bottom of the luggage among her belongings.

A presumptive field test for dangerous drugs was carried out. The latter revealed to be positive. Customs K9 Sniffer Dogs Otto and Ruby too reacted positively to the exhibit. The seized items were secured and handed over to the Anti-Drug and Smuggling Unit (ADSU) for further investigation.

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.