

MRA SEIZES HEROIN WORTH ABOVE Rs 16 M



The Mauritius Revenue Authority (MRA) seized dangerous drugs suspected to be Heroin, with a market value Rs 16,755,000, at the Sir Seewoosagar Ramgoolam (SSR) International Airport on 12 July 2025.

A male South African national was intercepted by MRA Customs Anti-Narcotics Section (CANS) officers while he was leaving through the Green Channel. His luggage was examined, and nothing incriminating was found.

However, the officers were not satisfied with the passenger's replies during questioning. A body scan was, therefore, carried out on him.

The scanned images revealed the presence of '*foreign bodies*' inside him, suspected to be dangerous drugs.

The passenger subsequently confessed that he had swallowed pellets of drugs. At the airport, he then purged fifty-nine (59) pellets with a gross indicative weight of 530 grams.

A field test was carried out and same revealed to be positive to heroin.

The passenger was then handed over to the police for medical examination at the hospital where he purged another sixty-six (66) pellets, corresponding to a gross indicative weight of 587 grams.

The passenger is under arrest and a police enquiry 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.

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