

MRA seizes Heroin worth Rs 17 million



The Mauritius Revenue Authority (MRA) seized 1.134 kg of heroin worth approximately Rs 17 million at the Sir Seewoosagur Ramgoolam (SSR) International Airport on July 15, 2025.

Customs Anti-Narcotics Section (CANS) officers intercepted a female Zambian passenger while she was leaving Customs through the Green Channel.

Her luggage was scanned and examined and nothing incriminating was found. However, she was interrogated by the CANS officers. The latter, not satisfied with the passenger's replies, carried out a complete body scan on her. The images revealed the presence of foreign bodies inside her body and two (2) pellets were removed after a body search.

The Zambian citizen was handed over to the police for further medical examination. At the hospital, she purged seventy-two (72) more pellets of a dangerous substance, suspected to be heroin. K9 sniffer dog Oscar was deployed on the pellets. The latter reacted positively. A field test was also carried out and same revealed positive to heroin.

The total number of heroin pellets recovered weighed 1.134 kg, with a street value of Rs 17,010,000.

The Zambian 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.