

MRA seizes Rs 103 million of Hashish



The Mauritius Revenue Authority (MRA) seized 20.6 kg of Hashish worth approximately Rs 103 Million at the Sir Seewoosagur Ramgoolam (SSR) International Airport on March 24, 2025. Customs Anti-Narcotics Section (CANS) officers, following a stringent profiling exercise, targeted and intercepted two French passengers, 19 and 21 years-old respectively, while they were leaving Customs through the Green Channel.

Their luggage were scanned. The images revealed some abnormalities. The passengers were then directed to Customs examining counters for physical examination. Upon inspecting one of their luggage, three (3) rectangular parcels wrapped in plastic, concealed in a toy box, were found. The parcels contained a compressed solid mass suspected to be hashish.

Likewise, upon examining the other passenger's luggage, two (2) rectangular parcels wrapped in plastic were found hidden in another toy box and the latter contained a compressed solid mass suspected to be hashish as well.

A presumptive field test for cannabis was carried out and they revealed to be positive. K9 sniffer dogs Oscar and Scarlet were deployed on the exhibits and they reacted positively.

ADSU placed both French passengers 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.