

## **MRA SEIZES CANNABIS WORTH RS. 194 MILLION**



**The Customs Anti-Narcotics Section (CANS) of the Mauritius Revenue Authority (MRA), in collaboration with the Anti-Drug and Smuggling Unit (ADSU), seized 161.91kg of Cannabis with a market value of Rs. 194,292,000 at SSR International Airport on 22 June 2025.**

Following a risk analysis of flight BA2065, MRA Customs carefully scrutinized all incoming passengers due to suspicion of carrying prohibited goods. Consequently, during the interrogation of some passengers leaving through the Green channel at different time intervals, MRA Customs officers, in the presence of ADSU officers, observed certain discrepancies and redirected the passengers for a thorough scanning of their luggage. The scanned images of eight (8) passengers including a minor revealed some abnormalities. They were, therefore, diverted to MRA Customs counter for examination of their respective luggage. Upon examination, MRA Customs, in the company of ADSU, detected several irregularly shaped parcels in the luggage of all the targeted passengers.

Several of the parcels were slightly cut open and were found to contain compressed dry leaf matter, suspected to be cannabis. Subsequently, presumptive field tests for cannabis were conducted on the exhibits and yielded a positive result.

MRA Customs narcotics sniffer dogs Scarlet and Tammy were deployed. The latter reacted positively to the exhibits.

Enquiry is in progress.

*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](http://www.mra.mu)) or by calling on the Hotline 8958.*