

MRA SEIZES 55 KG OF CANNABIS WORTH RS 66 M



The Customs Anti-Narcotics Section (CANS) of the Mauritius Revenue Authority (MRA) seized 55 kg of Cannabis with a market value of Rs 66,000,000 on 25 February 2025, at the Sir Seewoosagur Ramgoolam (SSR) International Airport.

CANS officers, relying on established risk profiles, targeted and intercepted two female passengers while they were leaving Customs through the Green Channel. They had departed from Thailand and transited through Dubai to reach Mauritius. Both passengers had two pieces of luggage each. The latter were scanned by the Customs Officers and the images were found to be abnormal and suspicious. Both passengers were directed to the examination counter for the verification of their luggage. Upon examination, the four (4) suitcases were found to contain a total of 100 packets with a significant amount of compressed leaf matter suspected to be dangerous drugs, with a gross indicative weight of 55, 200 g.

One sachet from each luggage was cut opened and a presumptive field test for cannabis was carried out and same revealed to be positive. K9 sniffer dogs “Nacre” and “Rulah” were deployed on the exhibits and they too reacted positively. A body search was carried out on both passengers with their consent. Nothing abnormal was found.

Both passengers, along with their luggage, have been handed to ADSU for further enquiry.

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.