

BORDER PROTECTION

Rs 2.25 M HEROIN SEIZED AT SSR INT. AIRPORT



158g of heroin worth Rs. 2,250,000 was detected on a Malagasy lady, 25, by officers of the Customs Anti-Narcotics Section (CANS) of the Mauritius Revenue Authority (MRA) on Thursday 24 January, 2019 at the SSR International Airport.

The passenger, hawker by profession, was targeted by officers of the MRA. While leaving the green channel, her luggage was scanned and examined, and nothing incriminating was found.

After further questioning, the passenger was subjected to a corporal search by female Customs and ADSU Officers. One cylindrical parcel containing heroin, wrapped inside a condom was found inside her private parts.

A field test for heroin was carried out and the result was positive. The passenger explained that the parcel was given to her by an individual in Antananarivo. She had to take the parcel to a hotel in Port Louis, where her Malagasy contact would send someone to collect it from her.

The passenger has been arrested by ADSU.

Members of the public may report suspected drug/ illicit activities to the MRA through the Stop Drug platform or by calling on 8958.