

PRESS RELEASE

MRA SEIZES LIQUID SUSPECTED TO BE COCAINE



The Mauritius Revenue Authority (MRA) seized 35 cl of a liquid, suspected to be cocaine, on 30 March 2025 at a courier service.

The Customs Anti-Narcotics Section (CANS) officers of the Plaisance Air Transport Services (PATS) Team acted on credible information regarding an attempt to smuggle dangerous drugs through a courier service. They diligently scrutinised the manifest and identified the potential suspicious consignment. It was sent for scanning and the image was found to be suspicious.

Upon examination, the package was found to have one LED light stand and seven PET bottles, each containing some liquid.

When the bar lamp was opened, a small amount of a viscous liquid leaked out of 1 bottle. Same was tested using a field test kit. It yielded a preliminary positive result for cocaine.

A controlled delivery operation was initiated by the Anti-Drug and Smuggling Unit (ADSU), resulting in the arrest of one individual.

An 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 (<u>www.mra.mu</u>) or by calling on the Hotline 8958.

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