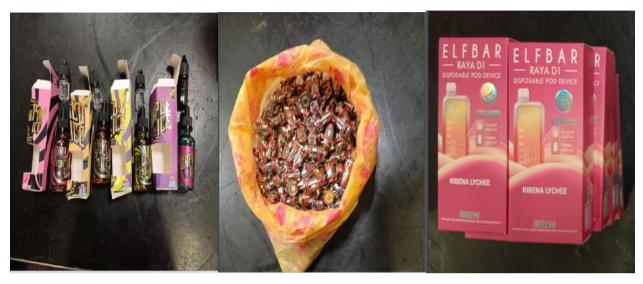


PRESS RELEASE

Seizure of Undeclared Prohibited Goods worth Rs 200k



The Mauritius Revenue Authority (MRA) seized a significant number of undeclared prohibited goods (as listed below) worth around Rs 200, 000 at the SSR International Airport on the 2nd of June 2024. Based on established risk profiles by officers of the Customs Anti-Narcotics Section (CANS), 2 Mauritian passengers were intercepted while they were leaving Customs through the Green Channel. Upon examination of their luggage, 577 units of E-cigarettes, 22 phials containing a total volume of 1165ml of E-liquid, 851 booklets containing 28,900 sheets of Roll your own cigarette papers, 398 E-cigarette filters, 5 E-cigarette accessories, 21 ENDS (Electronic Nicotine delivery systems), 21 Disposable pods Devices, 8 pods, 6 pod kits, 8 pod systems and 1 vape, were found.

Under intense questioning, both passengers admitted knowing each other. They were informed that the items in their luggage were prohibited and that they had committed an offense. Both passengers claimed ignorance of the prohibition in Mauritius. The prohibited goods were seized, and customs formalities are 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.

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