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BORDER PROTECTION

HEROIN WORTH RS. 22 MILLION SEIZED AT SSR AIRPORT

Four Zimbabweans were intercepted at the SSR International Airport on Saturday 09 November, 2019 after they revealed that they had swallowed 125 pellets of heroin. The female passengers deplaned the Air Mauritius flight MK 852 which arrived from Johannesburg.

The passengers were stopped by officers of the Customs Anti-Narcotics Section (CANS) of the Mauritius Revenue Authority (MRA) while they were leaving through the Green Channel.

The luggage of the Zimbabweans was scanned and nothing abnormal was found. They were interrogated on the purpose of their visit to Mauritius and, after intensive questioning, one of them revealed that they had swallowed pellets of illicit drugs in South Africa.

The passengers and their belongings were handed over to the Anti-Drug and Smuggling Unit (ADSU) for further investigation.

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

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