

PRESS RELEASE

MRA seizes heroin Worth more than Rs 27 Million



The **Mauritius Revenue Authority** (MRA) seized 1.84 Kg of Heroin worth around Rs 27,600,000 on the 04th of November, 2023 at the SSR International Airport.

A South African passenger, aged 65, travelling by Air Mauritius Flight MK852, from Johannesburg was intercepted by MRA CANS officers while he was leaving the green channel.

The passenger's luggage was scanned and examined. A hard cover carton box, partly wooden, in the form of a book, was found among his personal belongings. The hard cover carton box was inspected and a black parcel was found concealed therein, which in turn, was found to contain a large quantity of a granular substance.

A presumptive field test for Heroin was carried out. The latter revealed to be positive. K9 Dog Scarlet was then deployed and it reacted positively on the exhibits.

The exhibits were secured and referred 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.

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