

MRA seizes Hashish worth over Rs 53 million



The Mauritius Revenue Authority (MRA) seized over 10 Kg of Hashish with a market value exceeding Rs 53M from a Male British National, on 10 November 2024 at the SSR International Airport.

The passenger was profiled and intercepted, based on established risk profiles, by Officers of the Customs Anti-Narcotics Section (CANS), while he was leaving Customs through the Green Channel. His luggage was scanned, and the images revealed some abnormalities. He was then directed to the examination counter for further verification of his luggage and in-depth questioning. Ten parcels were found therein, containing a substance in the form of rectangular bars, suspected to be Hashish.

Subsequently, a presumptive field test for cannabis was carried out. It revealed to be positive.

Customs K9 Sniffer Dog Ruby, deployed on the exhibits, reacted likewise.

The passenger was handed over to the police for further enquiry.

Following a Controlled-Delivery exercise, set up by the Anti-Drug and Smuggling Unit, ADSU, two Mauritian nationals were arrested.

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.