

MRA seizes Rs 100M of cocaine



The Mauritius Revenue Authority (MRA) seized 6,602g of Cocaine worth around Rs 99.3 Million at the SSR International Airport on the 20th of May 2024. Based on established risk profiles by the Customs Anti-Narcotics Section (CANS) officers, a Bolivian passenger and his companion were intercepted while they were leaving Customs through the Green Channel. Upon examination of the Bolivian passenger's luggage, 640g of whitish powder and 5,270g of whitish paste concealed in jackets, sandals, bras, and soaps, 710g of a colourless liquid in plastic containers labelled "Salon," "Dual Protect Deodorant," and "Dento" toothpaste, were found.

Field tests confirmed the substances as cocaine and Customs K9 Dog Obelix also reacted positively to the exhibit. Both passengers and their belongings were handed over to the Anti-Drug and Smuggling Unit (ADSU) for further investigation.

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.