

MRA seizes 536.11g of Heroin worth around Rs 8 M



The Customs Anti-Narcotics Section (CANS) of the Mauritius Revenue Authority (MRA) in collaboration with the Anti-Drug Smuggling Unit (ADSU) seized 536.11g of Heroin worth Rs 8,041,650 on Sunday 21 August 2022 at SSR International.

A Ugandan passenger, aged 36, arriving from Flight Kenya Airways KQ270 was intercepted by CANS officers while leaving through the Green Channel Airport. An examination of his luggage was carried out but nothing incriminating was found. However, upon intense questioning, he admitted to having concealed drugs in the sandals he was wearing.

The two sandals were cut open and each sandal was found to conceal a rectangular parcel wrapped in plastic film and carbon paper containing brown powder suspected to be dangerous drugs. The K9 Sniffer Dog Cezar was deployed and reacted positively on the exhibit.

A field test for Heroin on the exhibit also revealed to be positive. The passenger was placed under arrest and handed over to ADSU for further enquiry. A controlled delivery exercise set up by ADSU did not result in any further arrest.

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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