

PRESS RELEASE

MRA SEIZES RS 2.2 MILLION OF CANNABIS

AT THE SSR INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT







The Mauritius Revenue Authority (MRA) seized 1.829 kilograms of cannabis worth around

Rs 2.2 million on Thursday, 20 April 2023, on a South African passenger at SSR International Airport.

The passenger, who arrived in Mauritius on Board South African Airways Flight – SA190 from Johannesburg, was intercepted by the officers of Customs Anti-Narcotics Section (CANS) of the MRA while he was leaving through the Green Channel.

His luggage was scanned and upon examination, 11 puzzle boxes, wrapped in gift papers were found and each enclosed a plastic sachet containing a green leafy matter suspected to be Cannabis.

A field test for Cannabis was carried out on the substance and the result was positive. Moreover, K9 Sniffer dog "Orage" too, reacted positively to the exhibit.

The case was referred to ADSU for further enquiry. During a controlled delivery exercise, one person has been 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.

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