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## CSMT gets 5-star rating for hygiene, food safety

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MUMBAI: The Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) on Monday gave five-star rating to CSMT Railway station for compliance with food safety, hygiene and food waste management norms.

“This is a prestigious rating for the Central Railway station which is bustling with commuters round the clock,” said CR chief spokesperson, Shivaji Sutar. It is the first CR station to get a five-star rating.

He further stated the FSSAI, an autonomous body under the Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, assessed them on parameters including food safety and hygiene, availability of healthy diets on the railway station complex, innovative practices in food waste management, promotion of local and seasonal food to passengers with minimal preservatives, and creating awareness about food safety and healthy diets.

Sources said an FSSAI team had conducted pre-audit checks and suggested improvements after which the food plaza, base kitchen and other vendors were asked to comply. After the final audit was conducted, the officials found satisfactory results in 88% of the parameters.

“The station has been declared ‘Eat Right Station’ with an exemplary certificate,” Sutar added.