

Greater Kashmir

Canteen sealed at GB Pant Hospital for selling 'unhygienic food'

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Acting on complaint, authorities on Monday sealed canteen at GB Pant Hospital here for selling sub-standard food.



“On basis of complaint that sub-standard food is being served to patients and attendants at the canteen namely Jehlum Food Court at G.B Pant Hospital, a team of food safety officers headed by assistant commissioner Food Safety Srinagar inspected the said canteen and found it in unhygienic condition,” said an official statement.

It said rooms where food was being served to patients, attendants and hospital employees were without requisite ventilation, thus creating “unfavorable atmosphere for consumers and prepared food”.

“Flies in large number were found inside the canteen. The furniture was broken and food was not properly stored in deep freezers/refrigerators thus violating provisions of Food Safety and Standards Act,” said the statement.

It said the canteen was being run without obtaining licence under Food Safety Act. “Samples were lifted and in the interest of public health the canteen has been sealed,” it said.