

## FSSAI to develop clean street food hub in Doon

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The Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) in association with Dehradun Smart City Limited (DSCL) has prepared a work plan to start Eat Right Smart City programme to provide a healthful, safe and sustainable food environment to people. Under this programme, the officials will also work on developing a clean street food hub by marking such eateries which are famous among locals and tourists. The district food safety officer and a designated officer of the programme, PC Joshi informed this while adding that traditional local delicacies and local organic fruits and vegetables will also be promoted under this programme. Joshi said that in the initial phase, the officials are working on connecting sweet shops, restaurants, hotels, street food vendors, meat shops and other eateries located in the smart city area with this programme to promote safe and healthy food in campuses like workplaces, schools, colleges and universities among others. Subsequently, a group of 25 to 50 owners of eateries and some local vendors will be formed to make a clean street food hub and FSSAI authorised training will be provided to these group members to run their business more effectively, stated Joshi. He said that marked vendors and owners can take help of the training to eliminate any issues within the stipulated time frame under FSSAI. Joshi said that with this programme, FSSAI aims to develop a plan that supports a healthy, safe and sustainable food environment supported by institutional, physical, social and economic infrastructure along with the application of smart solutions to combat food related issues in a smart city. He said that the administration will also take help from the Municipal Corporation of Dehradun (MCD) and local business associations for the smooth operation of the programme.