

# CII FOOD SAFETY

AWARDS 2025



15 Years of Celebrating Excellence in Food Safety

## About the Award

The Award is one of its kind and focusses on Food Safety Maturity Assessment to build capacity and promote excellence. It helps showcase internationally benchmarked practices on Food Safety in Micro, Small, Medium and Large Food Businesses.

Since its inception in 2010, the CII Food Safety Award has become a symbol of credibility and pride for Food Business Operators. Besides recognition, the Award measures performance and provides detailed feedback for opportunities to excel.

Applications will have to be Unit specific, and CII will be seeking good practices that showcase the establishment's food safety strategy and its deployment through systems, results and various other change management initiatives.

## Why Apply

Obtain useful insights on Food Safety Maturity to identify Roadmap to Excellence.

Identify strengths and opportunities to excel, based on external perspective.

Opportunity to be recognized as a Role model in Food Safety.

## Levels of Recognition



### Award Trophy for

Outstanding Performance on Food Safety

### Certificate

Commendation for Significant Achievement on Food Safety

### Certificate

Commendation for Strong Commitment to Excel in Food Safety

### Certificate

Commendation for Strong Commitment to Excel in GHP/GMP/GWP/GAP

### Certificate

Certificate of Appreciation



## CII Food Safety Award Models

► CII Food Safety Assessment Excellence Model for Street Food Vendor, HORECA, Manufacturing, Warehousing, Food Packaging, E-Commerce



Change Management Initiatives

PRP, HACCP, Food Safety Management

Product specific GMP / GHP/ GWP / GAP

Social, Statutory & Regulatory Compliance

► CII Food Safety Assessment Excellence Model for Food Testing Laboratory



Leadership & Best practices Initiatives

Laboratory Management (ISO 17025:2017)

Statutory, Regulatory & Social Compliance

► CII Food Safety Assessment Excellence Model for Joint Application of Customer and Partner on Partnership Development



Change Management

PRP, HACCP, Food Safety Management

Product specific GMP

Customer's Strategy for Partner Food Safety

Social, Statutory & Regulatory Compliance

► CII Food Safety Assessment Excellence Model for Innovation Management



Innovation Management Enablers and Results

Pre-Requisite Programme

Social, Statutory & Regulatory Compliance

## Introducing New Award Categories



Home Chefs



Start-ups



Fortified Foods  
(Oil & Milk)

## Food Sectors Invited

### Food Service Sectors



Food Courts



Wholesale



Catering



Logistics



Hotels



Warehousing  
& Retail



QSR



Food  
Packaging



Institutional  
Canteens



Street Food  
Vendors



Ecommerce/  
Online  
Marketplace



Food Testing  
Labs



Cloud Kitchen

### Food Manufacturing Sectors



Beverages



Coffee & Tea



Dairy



Fats & Oils



RTE & RTC



Food  
Ingredients



Animal origin  
food products



Bakery &  
Confectionery



Functional  
Foods &  
Nutraceuticals



Cereal &  
Cereal  
Products



Processed  
Fruits  
Vegetables

## Past Winners Testimonials



The Food Safety Award has been an excellence journey over the years, where we not only shared our Food Safety Technological maturity but also had a two way learning from eminent experts.



Metro Cash and Carry has been part of the prestigious CII Food Safety National Award for more than a decade . The association has enhanced the skills of the assessors and the assessed alike. This Award is an excellence program, and not merely an assessment activity with external recognition. It has given back a lot of mutual learning and new developments, to us as a team.



Participating in the CII Food Safety Award process has not only helped us identify areas for improvement but has also provided us with a platform to showcase our efforts and receive constructive feedback from industry experts. It has been an excellent learning journey for our units and helped us establish best practices in Food Safety.

## Winners 2024





## Key Dates

### Stage 1: Application

- Receiving Application of Intent
- Receiving filled application document from the applicant
- Preliminary screening of the applications

### Stage 2: Physical On-site Assessment

- 3-4 days On-site Assessment by the Trained Assessors (Comprising Consensus by assessment team)
- Calibration of Scores by a common Calibrator
- Review of Assessment Reports by a Reviewer
- Jury meeting to decide on winners (Applicant Unit to organize travel, stay and other miscellaneous expenses of the Assessors)

### Stage 3: Awards Announcement and Feedback Reports

- Awards Ceremony
- Exhaustive Feedback report to all the applicants

### Important Dates

#### 15 June 2025

Last date to Submit Letter of Intent (LoI)

#### Within 15 days of LoI submission

Last date to submit Application Document

#### June - Sept (Phase wise)

Site Visit to Applicant Units

#### December 2025

Awards Ceremony

## Fees - Illustrative Structure

Applicant Unit's Annual Sales Turnover (previous year) (INR)	Fee for Domestic Applicants * (INR)	Fee for Overseas Applicants* ( US\$ )
<b>General Category</b>		
Above 25 Lacs - 1 Cr.	26,000	378
Above 1 Cr - 5 Cr.	52,500	746
Above 5 Cr - 30 Cr.	73,500	1050
Above 30 Cr - 100 Cr.	1,26,000	1796
Above 100 Cr - 200 Cr	2,12,000	2898
Above 200 Cr - 300 Cr.	2,67,000	3675
Above 300 Cr.	3,10,000	4200

\*GST as applicable/\*\*GST as applicable + Actuals of Assessors (Actuals include Travel, Accommodation, Transport & Hospitality, if travel is applicable)

PS: Invoice once raised cannot be cancelled. However, it can be exchanged for another unit in the same Award Cycle

Discounts on Application Fees on nominating multiple units.

- More than 1 Unit: 5%
- More than 2 Units: 10%

10% off for repeat applicants (same unit) in the same Award category (base year 2024).



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TO APPLY**

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