

FSSAI & NASSCOM to develop app to prevent food wastage

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New Delhi: To prevent food wastage, Food regulator FSSAI and Nasscom Foundation have joined hands to develop an app and set up a 24x7 helpline number to connect donors with surplus edibles to food distribution organisations.

“India will soon have access to a common help-line and a mobile application ‘Food Donation in India’ to donate food to the needy. FSSAI and NASSCOM Foundation have signed an MoU today to jointly build a technology platform for Food Donation in India,” FSSAI said in a statement.

The platform will also facilitate registration of surplus food distribution organisations, and initially, the network of 81 such organizations across PAN India, known as the Indian Food Sharing Alliance (IFSA) will be a part of this platform, it said. The solution, FSSAI said, will provide an easy accessible platform that will cater to different stakeholders like food businesses, hoteliers, caterers, individuals etc and facilitate food donations in any part of the country.

FSSAI CEO Pawan Agarwal said that this would definitely provide a recognition to the organisations involved in surplus food distribution and would help in reducing the wastage of food in the country through food donation. Ashok Pamidi, CEO, Nasscom Foundation said the collaboration is a significant step in the direction of leveraging tech for solutions and the foundation hopes more such engagements in future.