Continuing its commitment for ensuring food safety and promoting healthy eating, the Indian Institute of Technology Gandhinagar (IITGN) has bagged Eat Right Campus Award with a five-star rating from the Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) for the second consecutive year.

This time FSSAI has certified IITGN as the ‘Eat Right Campus’ with five-star rating for a period of two years, i.e. up to August 14, 2022; after third party auditing by DNV GL Business Assurance India Pvt Ltd (DNVGL). The audit is done based on a checklist of following five parameters: a) Compliance to food safety and hygiene; b) Healthy diets; c) Food waste management; d) Promotion of local and seasonal foods on campus; and e) Promotion and awareness on food safety and healthy diets in and around campus.

IITGN ensures strict compliance of all food standards and safety guidelines in each of its mess, food joints and canteens on the campus. Both student mess and all the food joints on campus are licensed by FSSAI, and their food handlers are trained periodically by the Food Safety Awareness and Training Organization (FSATO), an empanelled training partner of FSSAI. As the COVID-19 pandemic hit the country, IITGN took all precautionary steps to ensure adherence to safety measures and social distance by everyone in the mess and the food joints.