

Eateries ready to serve food, not nutritional info just yet

The country's apex food regulator, Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI), has asked food service establishments having a central (food) licence and those who run over 10 food outlets and have annual revenue of more than ₹20 crore, besides food aggregators Swiggy and Zomato, to furnish nutritional values and allergens on menus and all food items sold on their platforms. The food aggregators are also required to upgrade platforms so that food operators can add information regarding the nutritional value of food sold by them.

But the industry is not really equipped to follow the order in totality, with most businesses feeling the exact and precise data might not be possible.

Mr. Pradeep Shetty, joint honorary secretary, Federation of Hotel and Restaurant Associations of India (FHRAI), said, "Our member hotels and restaurants will follow the order, but its implementation across all categories of food business operators will be difficult and burdensome as the Indian culinary spread is vast.