

Cancer Institute (WIA)

Adyar, Chennai, Tamil Nadu

Youth Health Mela 2026

29th to 31st January 2026 at Anna Centenary Library, Chennai

Food Stall Guidelines

(Promoting Traditional, Organic & Millet-Based Healthy Foods)

Guidelines for Food Stall Operators

- 1. Food items must be prepared using traditional, organic, and millet-based ingredients, promoting healthy, wholesome eating habits among youth.
- 2. High standards of hygiene and food safety must be maintained during preparation, handling, and serving.
- 3. Plastic use is strictly prohibited in food preparation, packaging, and serving. Only eco-friendly materials should be used.
- 4. Reusing oil, and using vanaspati or palm oil is not allowed. Only fresh and health-friendly oils may be used.
- 5. Food items must be priced at nominal and student-friendly rates, making them affordable for school and college participants.
- 6. A complete menu with a price list must be submitted to the organizers at least 15 days before the event for approval.
- 7. Stall owners must arrange their own water supply. No water provision will be made by the organizers.
- 8. Stall operators are encouraged to display and sell raw organic, millet-based, and traditional food products, supporting healthy choices.
- 9. Both cash and digital payments (GPay, PhonePe, Paytm, etc.) must be accepted to ensure convenience for participants.
- 10. Food tokens for volunteers/chief guest will be managed exclusively by the Cancer Institute program coordinators.

Provisions by the Program Organizers

- 1. Each food stall will be provided with a 10×10 ft Arabian hut-style setup.
- 2. Organizers will supply 2 tables, 2 chairs, and 2 electrical points.
- 3. A printed stall name board with approved pricing will be provided.
- 4. All materials provided by the organizers must be returned at the end of each event day without damage.
- 5. All participating stalls will receive a Certificate of Participation, and the "Best Food Stall Award" will be presented during the valedictory event based on visitor voting.

General Information

- 1. The event is expected to host over 3000 participants daily, ensuring high visibility for healthy food stalls.
- 2. All participants, volunteers, and stall contributors must refrain from tobacco use, alcohol consumption, or any activity that contradicts the values of the Youth Health Mela, within and around the venue.
- 3. The organizing committee will not be responsible for personal belongings or stall-related materials.
- 4. A dedicated Food Stall Monitoring Committee will regularly inspect stalls, and any deviation from these guidelines may result in stall disqualification.

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