

Suspension of Peach Garden Pte Ltd's food business operations at Upper Thomson

The Ministry of Health and the Singapore Food Agency (SFA) are investigating eight incidents of gastroenteritis affecting a total of 43 persons who reported gastroenteritis symptoms after consuming food prepared by Peach Garden Pte Ltd at 301 Upper Thomson Road #01-87/88 Singapore 574408 between 17 and 18 April 2024. Those affected either sought outpatient treatment or self-medicated. Two were hospitalised and are in stable condition.

2 In view of the suspected ongoing transmission, SFA has suspended the food business operations of Peach Garden Pte Ltd located at the abovementioned premises effect from 22 April 2024 until further notice. The licensee is required to clean and sanitise the premises, including equipment and utensils, and dispose all ready-to-eat food and perishable food items.

3 All food handlers working in the premises are required to re-attend and pass the Food Safety Course Level 1 and test negative for foodborne pathogens, before they can resume work as food handlers. The appointed Food Hygiene Officer working at the premises must re-attend and pass the Food Safety Course Level 3 before he/she can resume work as a Food Hygiene Officer.

4 Food safety is a joint responsibility. SFA would like to remind food operators to observe good food and personal hygiene practices at all times. SFA will not hesitate to take firm action against anyone found to be in violation of the Environmental Public Health Act. In the interest of maintaining a high standard of food hygiene at all eating establishments, we would also like to advise members of the public who have concerns about food safety practices by food operators not to patronise such outlets but to report to SFA via the online feedback form (www.sfa.gov.sg/feedback) with details for our follow-up investigations.

Ministry of Health and Singapore Food Agency

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