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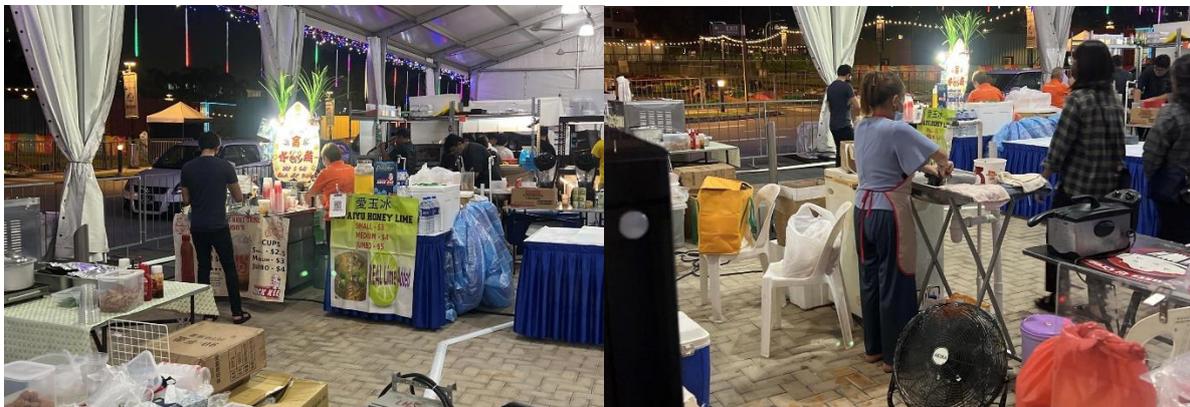
Suspension of temporary fair “Fiesta Ramadan 2022” by Event Business Management Pte Ltd at 1 Pasir Ris Close E!Hub@Downtown East for operating without an approved permit

The Singapore Food Agency (SFA) has suspended the operations of a temporary fair “Fiesta Ramadan 2022” by Event Business Management Pte Ltd at 1 Pasir Ris Close E!Hub@Downtown East.

2 On 11 April 2022, SFA officers found that Event Business Management Pte Ltd had been illegally operating a temporary fair at 1 Pasir Ris Close E!Hub@Downtown East since 9 April 2022 without a valid temporary fair permit. During the inspection, eight food stalls were found to be in operation.

3 SFA had not approved the application by Event Business Management Pte Ltd for a permit to operate the temporary fair from 9 to 24 April 2022, as it had not met SFA’s requirements such as providing information on the cleaning schedule and list of food vendors, as well as whether the food handlers have undergone the required food hygiene training (Food Safety Course Level 1) and are certified to handle food items. The company also ignored a warning given on 11 April 2022 to stop the fair.

4 As Event Business Management Pte Ltd failed to stop the fair on 11 April 2022 despite SFA’s warning, SFA has suspended its operations with effect from 12 April 2022 and will take enforcement action against the operator for the offence of operating a temporary fair without permit.



The company ignored a warning to stop the temporary fair on 11 April 2022, despite operating without a valid permit. (Photos: Singapore Food Agency)

5 Under the Environmental Public Health Act, all operators of temporary fairs must get a permit from SFA for the duration of the fair. This allows SFA to ensure that fair operators have complied with measures to ensure food safety. Applications should be submitted at least two weeks before the fair commencement date. Food and beverage stalls at temporary fairs are also required to be licensed by SFA, with food handlers who have passed the mandatory Food Safety Course Level 1.

6 SFA will take enforcement action against temporary fair operators who do not adhere to regulations. Offenders are liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding \$10,000. In the case of a subsequent conviction, liable to a fine not exceeding \$20,000 or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 3 months or to both.

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