

Birmingham (UK) - Pune (India) Smart Nutrition City Partnership



The learning opportunity – fresh ideas



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The leverage opportunity – smart (and sustainable) cities Our definition: smart nutrition cities A Nutrition Smart City will use data and technology to change the way that food is produced, processed, distributed and consumed.

It considers food quality and equitable access, disrupting food systems that are not sustainable or cause food insecurity and malnutrition.

They are by nature *multi-sectoral*, developed by entrepreneurs, nutritionists, public health experts, agricultural experts, policy makers, and civil society members committed to a sustainable, healthy food future.

Data and evidence produced to inform the partnership



Pune citizens eat out of home for 1 in 14 meals

- 7% of eating occasions occur outside the home
- Younger people, men and higher income groups are more likely to eat lunch out of home
- 72% of Pune citizens have ordered food using an online App at least once in the past week
- On average Pune citizens use apps to order food once or twice a week



Pune citizens tend to eat unhealthy food

The consumers of

these foods tend to be

We asked adult citizens how frequently in the last week they had eaten the following foods:

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Proportion of Pune citizens who have eaten these foods at least once in the past week		Older or younger than the general population	Poorer or richer than the general population
White bread/pav from a packet	18%	Younger*	Poorer
Bakery products (e.g. buns, puff pastry)	17%	Younger	Same across all socioeconomic groups
Savoury snacks (e.g. biscuits, crisps)	25%	Same across all age groups	Middle
Fried snacks (e.g. wadapav, samosa)	34%	Younger	Poorer
Indian fast food (e.g. missal, pav bhaji, Indian Chinese)	25%	Younger	Richer
Non-Indian fast food (e.g., pizza, burger)	13%	Younger*	Richer
Packet noodles	7%	Same across all age groups	Same across all socioeconomic groups
Sweet beverages (e.g. tea, coffee - not including fruit juice)	39%	Same across all age groups	Poorer
Carbonated drinks	2%	Same across all age groups	Same across all socioeconomic groups
Fruit juice or fruit plate	14%	Younger*	Same across all socioeconomic groups

We asked Pune citizens whether they thought that the following foods were healthy:



Most people know which foods are healthy. Some people in their 20s and 30s think bakery products and fried snacks are healthy. 11% of people think carbonated drinks are healthy – mainly from lower income groups



VEGETARIANISM

Just over half the population eats fish, meat and eggs.

Women and higher socio-economic groups are less likely to eat these foods.

People over 50 are least likely

The top reported drivers of food choice

LOW SOCIOECONOMIC	HIGH SOCIOECONOMIC	
Price	Healthy option	
Taste	Quality	
Quality	Taste	
Healthy option	Brand	

PUNE CITIZENS WANT TO SEE PMC TAKE BOLD ACTION



The top policy options attracting the support of 50% of citizens surveyed









Fruit and Vegetable policy options targeting lower-income people

- Lower income groups want
 - policy that makes fruit and vegetables more affordable
 - Fruit and vegetable advertising and promotions
 - More fruit and vegetable provision in midday meals at schools.
- Higher income households want to buy fruit and vegetables directly from farmers and to have organic labelling
- Non-profit shops selling fruit and vegetables directly from farmers is more important to older people.





Street Food Policy Options

Lower income households want

- safer streetfood and
- promotion of healthier streetfood
- Middle income households want
 - a ban on unhealthy street food
 - tighter licensing and
 - health and safety certification.

Public programmes policy options

- People who live in lower income households are more likely to want tastier take home Anganwadi rations
- People who live in bungalows (middle income) are more likely to want community cooking classes and healthier staff canteens.
- Men and women largely agree on policy options, but more men want healthier canteens and more women want tastier Anganwadi take home rations.



Next Steps for Food Smart Cities

- Present policy recommendations to city leaders and stakeholders
- Consider how other cities are changing the Food Scape of the city to be healthier, more sustainable
- Engage partners in the delivery of Food Smart solutions
- Capture food stories from across the city and document to protect and re-awaken lost food memories

Images #PuneFoodie & #BirminghamFoodie Instagram



The Birmingham India Nutrition Initiative involves the development of policies and practices through a learning partnership between Pune and Birmingham, UK, with a view to both cities becoming Nutrition Smart Cities. The goal of this initiative is tackling all forms of malnutrition and encouraging healthy food habits.

Pune Municipal Corporation (PMC) is taking several initiatives to enhance the awareness about the importance of nutrition to the citizens and support to live healthy lives. We will be reviewing the findings of this survey and using it to form our policies going forward. I would like to thank the citizens who actively participated and provided thoughtful suggestions.

We believe this initiative is in line with PMC step to ensure sustainable food systems and improved nutrition in the city."

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Pune has inspired Birmingham

- Councillor Paulette Hamilton, Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care and Health, Birmingham City Council,
- "Working with Pune is an important global partnership for Birmingham. Our work together is helping both cities to create healthier food systems to make it easier for people to grow, buy, cook and eat food in a healthier and more sustainable way. We have learnt from Pune's survey to develop our Birmingham Food Conversation survey and by working in parallel we can start to understand the international context of food beliefs and behaviours. We know that many of our citizens have friends and family in India, and vice versa, and by working together we can better understand how this could be influencing people's beliefs and behaviours as well as sharing between the cities technical and programme approaches to create healthier food systems in our cities."



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Overview

Birmingham is working hard to become a city where all citizens can thrive and achieve their potential, and creating a healthy, affordable and sustainable food environment across the city is key to this.

When we talk about the food environment in Birmingham we are thinking about how we grow food, transform it from raw materials into dishes, sell it through shops and serve it in schools and care homes, and also how we recycle it and treat food waste.

We want to hear from you about your thoughts on food and the food choices you make.

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