

Rats! Hygiene awareness important at food outlets

MY WIFE and I were considering where to eat in the East Coast area as there are many varieties of food. In the end, we settled on Hiang Ji Roast Meat and Cuisine (East Coast). We both felt that since this stall had won awards for its food, we could not go wrong.

While my wife placed our order, I decided to use the toilet and made my way to the back of the shop. As I was walking to the toilet, I saw a large rat scurrying up the staircase. I was taken aback as the kitchen was at the back. I could see food items such as ducks being marinated and left on hooks for roasting the next day.

I asked an employee why there was a rat in the shop. Her reply: It had probably entered by the back door. And back she went to her work.

It was as if it was normal for rats to enter the shop.

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