

FACTSHEET ON FOOD SERVICES DEVELOPMENT GRANT (FDG)

A. ABOUT ACI

- 1) The Asian Culinary Institute (ACI) of Singapore is a CET (Continuing Education & Training) Institute of Nanyang Polytechnic (NYP). ACI's vision is to be a Centre of Excellence in Food & Beverage Services. It aims to achieve this by providing quality training to help professionalise Singapore's Food & Beverage Services industry and its support enterprises in their journey towards productivity enhancement and business transformation. As the first Anchor Provider, appointed by the SkillsFuture Singapore (SSG), ACI will assist to support enterprises to adopt technology and upgrade processes, leading to business transformation and productivity enhancement.
- 2) ACI provides a comprehensive suite of Work Skills Qualifications (WSQ) and non-WSQ programmes in the areas of Culinary Arts and Pastry & Baking. A full spectrum of SkillsFuture Series programmes such as Food Safety Management System (FSMS) and SkillsFuture for Digital Workplace (SFDW). Programmes are designed for adult learners in mind and blend theoretical knowledge with practical training to ensure that our trainees are equipped with requisite skills and knowledge.

B. WHAT IS FDG?

- 1) The Food Services Development Grant (FDG), previously known as Transformation and Capability Development Programme (TCAP) is established to help Food Services Companies in their transformational efforts and to develop their manpower capability.
- 2) As part of capability development, FDG aims to foster and encourage digital literacy of personnel through the SkillsFuture for the Digital Workplace (SFDW) programme. This is a two days national programme aimed at equipping personnel to embrace digitalisation and provide them with functional digital skills.
- 3) FDG supports initiatives in the following development areas:
 - a. Adoption of New Business Formats and Models
 - b. Development of New Products and Services
 - c. Enhancing Quality and Standards
 - d. Manpower Capability Development***
 - e. Process and Work Redesign***
 - f. Technology Enhancements and Adoption

* Please note that the initiatives highlighted in bold are compulsory under FDG. Companies can choose to include other initiatives in addition to the two highlighted. For companies who wish to embark on Technology enhancements and adoption, please note that under manpower capability development, 50% of Singaporeans and PR staff should attend the SkillsFuture for the Digital Workplace (SFDW) programme.

C. WHAT DOES FDG SUPPORT?

- 1) SME's may receive grant support of up to 70% of the approved qualifying cost.
- 2) Non-SME's may receive grant support of up to 50% of the approved qualifying cost.

D. WHO CAN APPLY?

- 1) All local companies if they are legally registered or incorporated in Singapore.
- 2) Have a minimum of 30% local shareholding held by Singapore Citizen or Singapore Permanent Resident.
- 3) Group annual sales turnover of not more than S\$100 million OR Group employment of up to 200 employees.
- 4) Companies did not apply or received any government funding for the same project scope previously.

E. HOW TO APPLY?

- 1) Identify your business growth and capability area which requires upgrading.
- 2) Identify a solution provider and/or certified consultant.
- 3) Companies may approach ACI to apply for FDG at no cost. Applications submitted by third party will not be accepted.
- 4) Prepare and submit your FDG application to Joab_Wang@aci.edu.sg