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## **Industry perspective**

# **Post-approval change application**

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# Post-Approval Change Reporting Categories

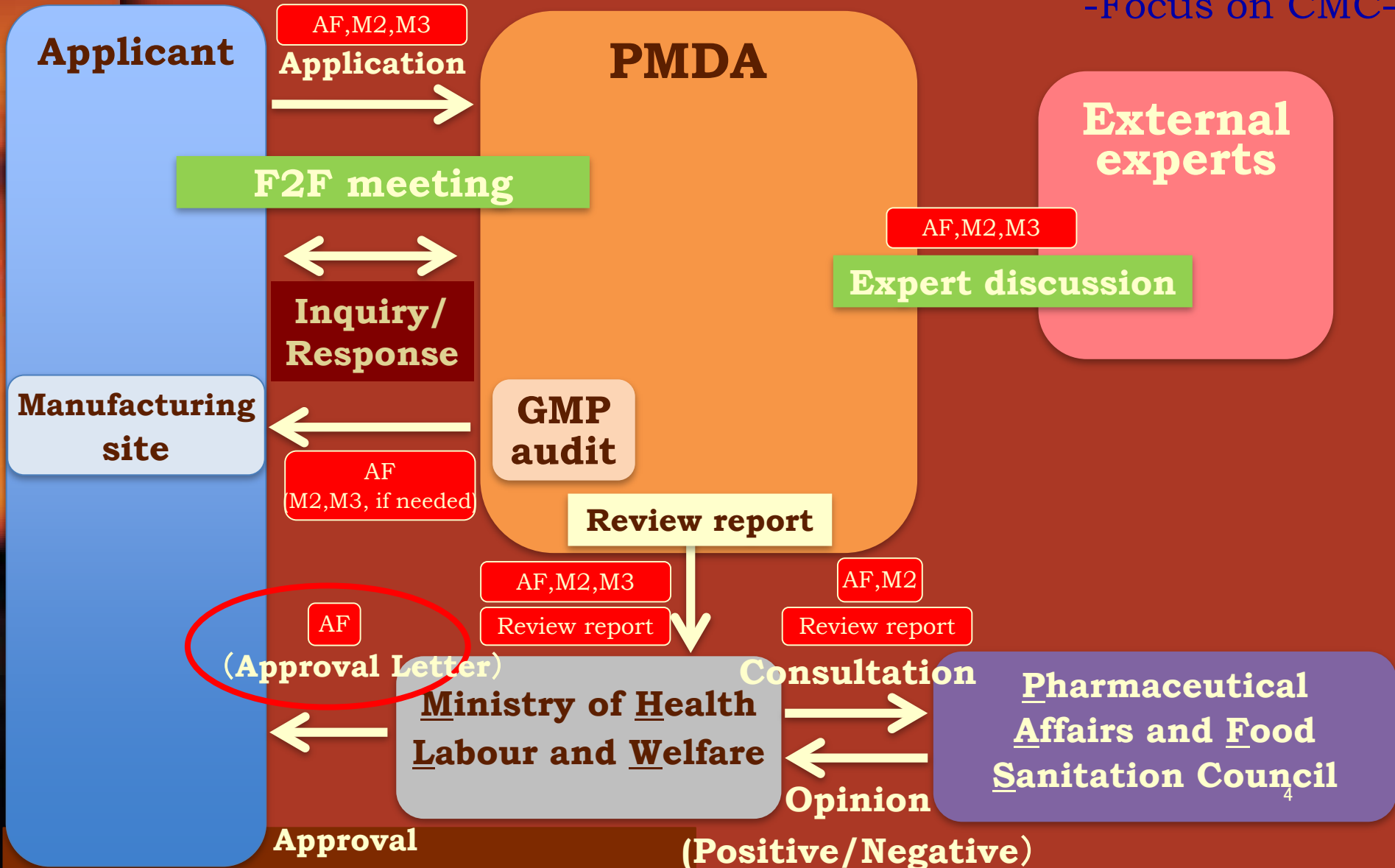
Impact on quality	Japan	US	EU
High	<b>Partial change Application</b> (approval of variation)	Major change (Prior approval supplement)	Type II variation (Application for approval of variation)
Moderate	<b>Minor change Notification</b> (within 30 days after implementation or shipping)	1) Supplement-changes being effected (CBE) in 30 days	Type IB variation (Notification before implementation and MAHs must wait a period of 30 days)
		2) Supplement-changes being effected (CBE)	Type IA <sub>IN</sub> variation (Immediate notification)
Low	<b>SOP</b> (Under GMP change control)	Minor change (Annual report)	Type IA variation (Notification within 12 months after implementation)

# Post-Approval Change Reporting Categories case in Japan

- Change category and contents are agreed between the agency and the company prior to approval
- On-site/document inspection is conducted on product basis, rather than site base
- GMP assessments are evaluated by the inspectors (PMDA QC Department). Contact window for GMP and Review process are separated
- (Pros) “Do and Tell” contents are clearly defined and PQS are thoroughly assessed
- (Cons) Reporting items need to be agreed prior to approval and it is difficult to change after approval

# Review Process of Marketing Authorization Applicant with document flow

-Focus on CMC-



# Review Process of Marketing Authorization Applicant

Reviewer

Science base

Frequent  
Communication

GMP

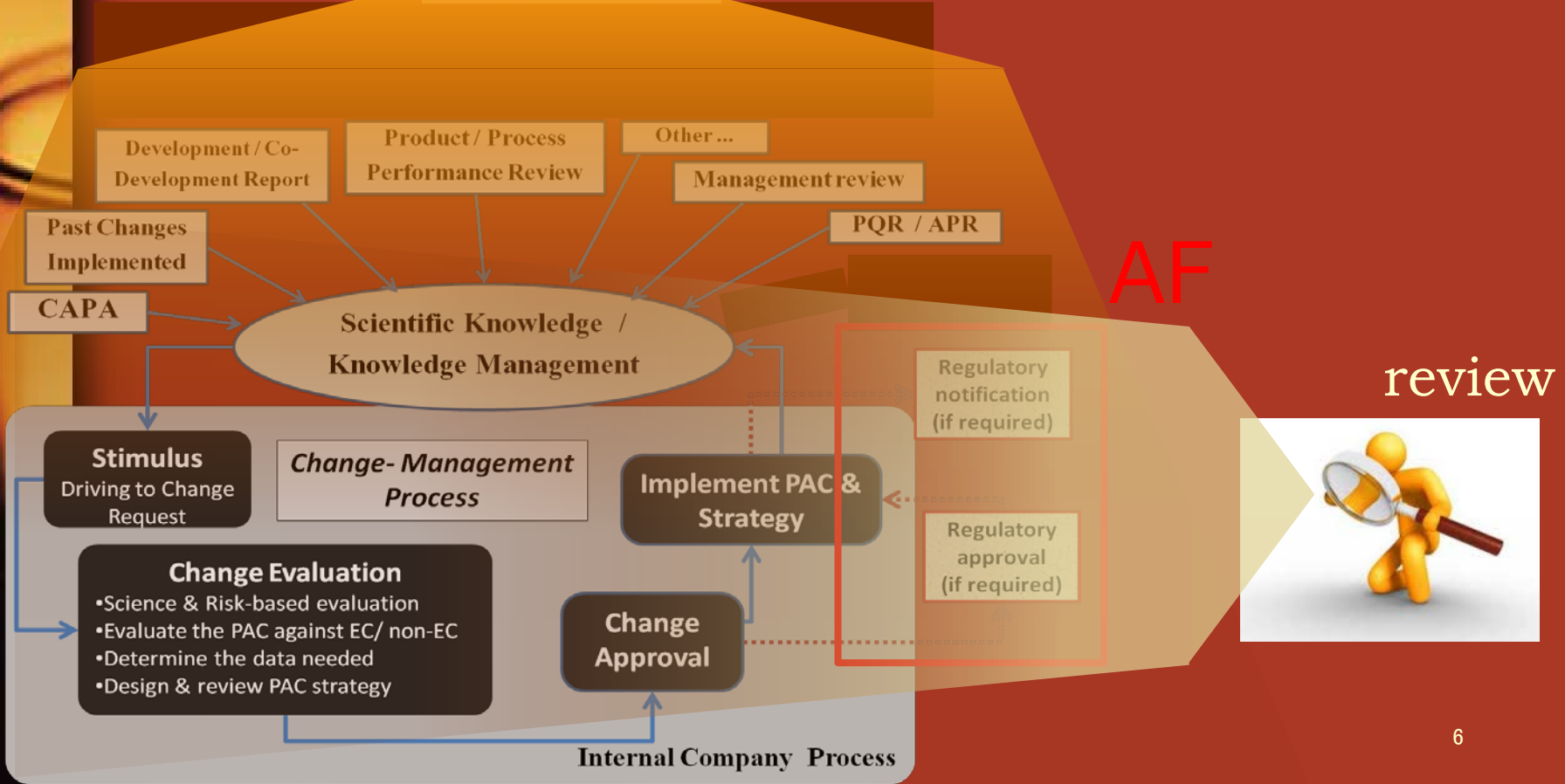
Risk base  
inspection

Product and  
PQS

# Application Form and Review/Inspection



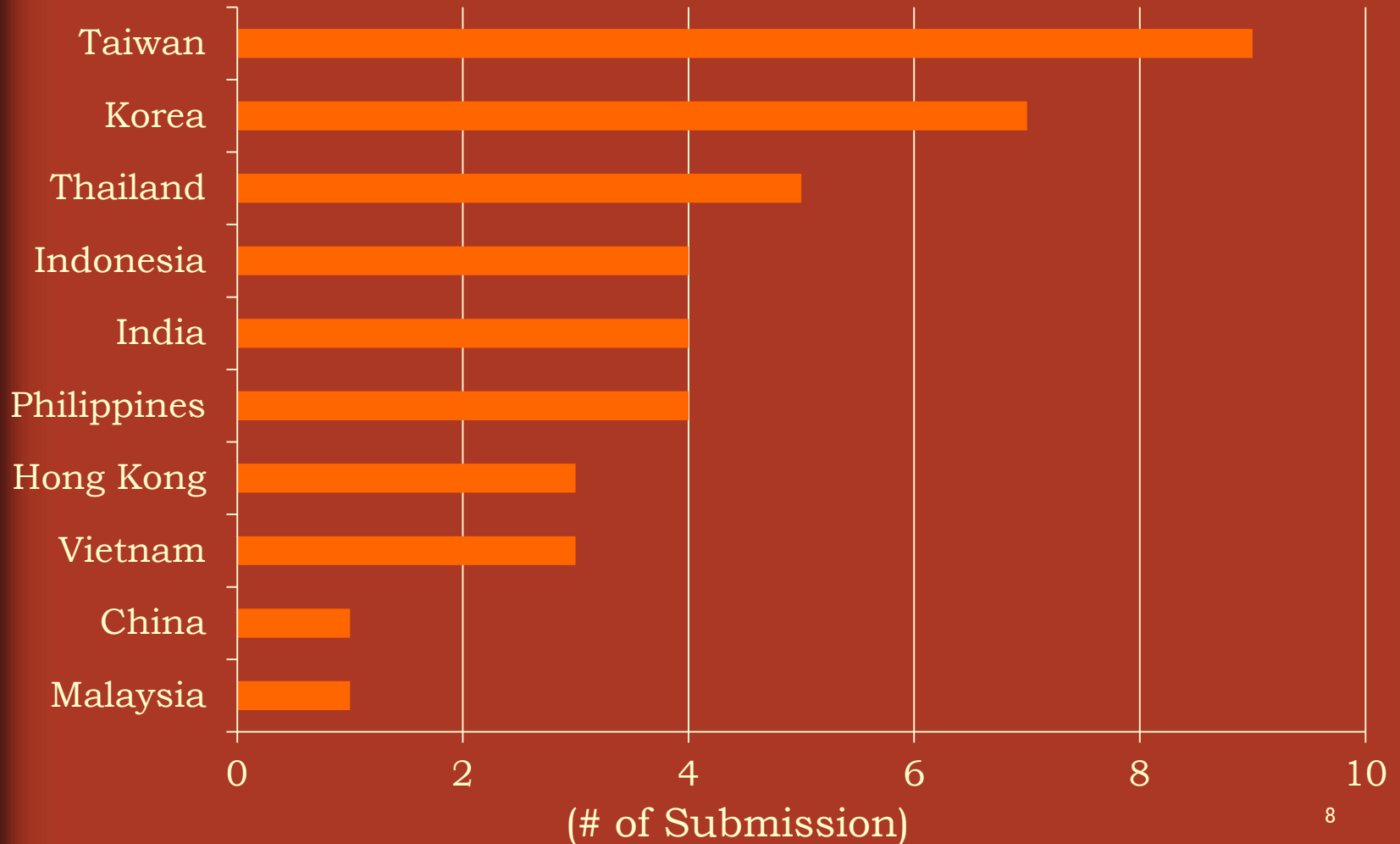
inspection -Focus on post-approval change-



# Application Form (AF) and Pharmaceutical Quality System (PQS)

- Approved Matter (AM) in application reflect one portion of the product
- Company gain trust from the agency through inspections on how PQS is operated, including change management
- Confirmation of PQS system and consistent alignment with AF will secure the robust change management
- Consistent alignment with AF will engage to transparency between company and the agency to engage in better post-approval managements

# List of countries requested to submit SMF and/or PMF as a part of GMP assessment



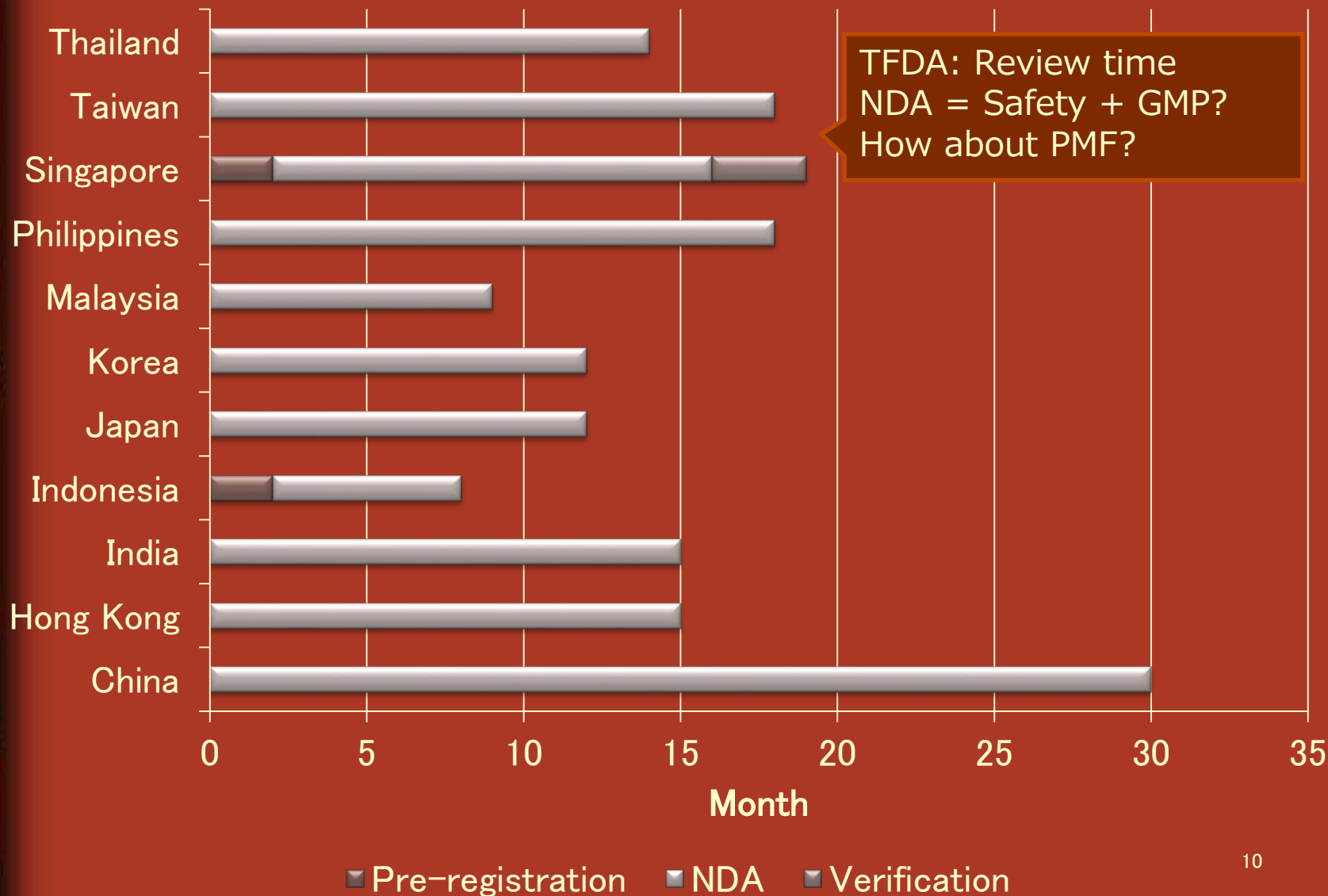
base on JPMA questionnaire response from 17 companies



# Current Situation on Submission to Taiwan

- For GMP assessment, the company submits Plant Master File (PMF) and periodically submitting SMF, Inspection reports from other PIC/S members, Annual Quality Reports, major change history and such
- The documents are reviewed by the assessors and seldom on-site GMP inspection is conducted to the company
- PMF review may take as long as 1 year for new submission and this is an unique requirement for Taiwan submission.
- For routine renewal, detail technical document request for major changes requested

# NDA Review Period



# NDA and Post-approval review process

- NDA review timeframe and GMP assessment is not aligned
- GMP assessment through PMF may take longer than safety evaluation
- How PMF GMP assessment and SMF submission at the time of GMP renewal of the site is not clearly seen
- How could we use this scheme at the time of post-approval changes?

# Industry Perspective

- Maximize existing scheme, such as PIC/S and inspection training
- Convergence of regulatory frame work through new discussion, ie. ICH Q12 Product Lifecycle to have transparency between the company and the agency
- Common understanding of intended purpose, content and interpretation of SMF
- Seek alternative ways of reviewing GMP other than Plan Master File process in long term engagement for the smooth post-approval changes