

SAFE-i24 — South Korea's Automated Electronic Review for Imported Food Safety

AI in the Public Sector · Good practice · South Korea

Quality score: 60/100

Evidence strength: Moderate

Summary

South Korea's MFDS built SAFE-i24, an automated electronic document-screening system for imports of low-risk, repeat food shipments. Piloted in 2022–2023, a 2024 survey found 95% of 273 importers rated it positively; the OECD selected it as a 2026 government-innovation case.

Key dimensions

Dimension	Score
Evidence of impact / measured public value	1/3
Transparency, fairness & accountability	2/3
Transferability / demonstrated replication	2/3
Scalability beyond pilot	2/3
Governance, capability & sustainability	2/3

Evaluated by C-NAPSE

Data sources

[C-NAPSE web research](#) — accessed 2026-08-20

[Ministry of Food and Drug Safety \(MFDS\)](#) — accessed 2026-08-20

[The Asia Business Daily — OECD selects SAFE-i24 as innovation case, March 2026](#) — accessed 2026-08-20

[NutraIngredients — automatic customs screening for imported health functional foods](#) — accessed 2026-08-20

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