

Improvement Suggestion on GD system

*- Based on KINPA's evaluation on GD data for CN patent
applications -*

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Industry's needs

- GD data for CN patent is valuable. Its importance is sharply increasing

Sampling and Evaluation method

- 15 patent applications filed in IP5 Offices including CN were randomly selected
- Types and number of unavailable GD documents were investigated (including Applications (spec & claims), OA/Rejections, Responses, NOA/Allowance)
- Delays were calculated for unavailable document (i.e. delays on documents issued/submitted after the previous update)

Findings

- √ **Completeness Issue:** some of the data on CN cases were missing (**non-complete GD documents**)
 - Examples of frequently unavailable GD documents: (i) OA response; (ii) Re-exam request; (iii) Applications
 - English translation is not provided for Applicant submitted documents
- √ **Timeliness Issue:** some documents are not updated for many months (some over a year) from the date such documents have been submitted/issued

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