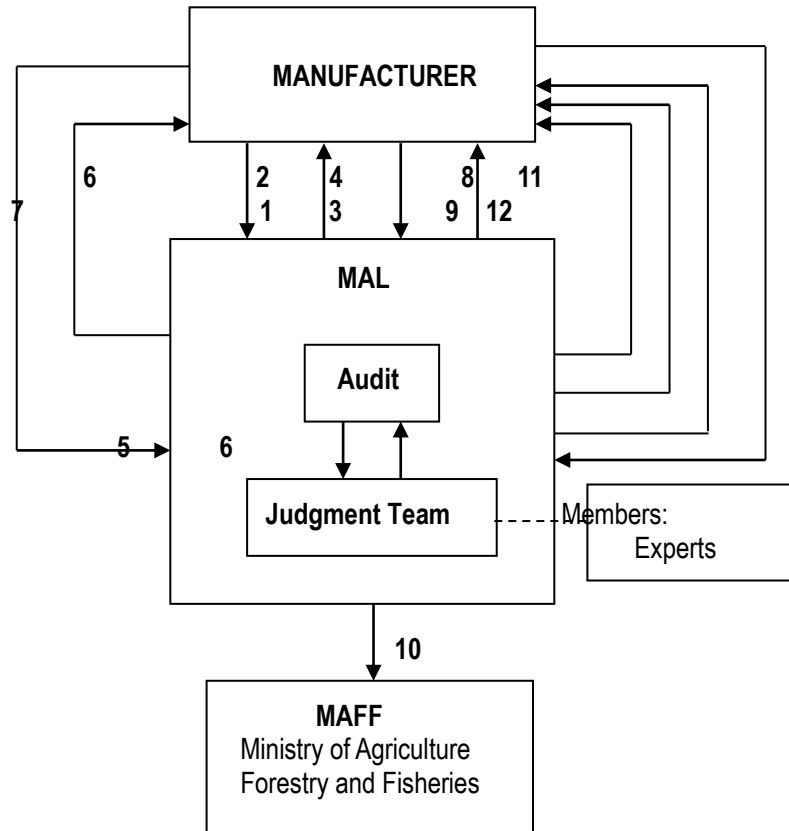


### The Mechanism of Certification Process

The mechanism of the certification process can be described in the following scheme:



Note:

1. Letter of certification inquiry from the manufacturer
2. Submission of application form, Code of Practice, and relevant document
3. Submission of application document from manufacturer to MAL
4. Evaluation visit
  - a. Factory Observation/FO (once as a minimum)
  - b. Product Quality Stability Inspection/PQSI (twice as a minimum)
5. Evaluation report (from auditor to Judgment Team)
6. Evaluation result
7. Corrective action from manufacturer due to evaluation report (if any)
8. Certification decision
9. Notification of certification
10. Report to MAFF
11. Audit
12. Obligation of JAS certified manufacturer