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A seasoned professional with a demonstrated history of working in the non-profit organization management sector, Dr. Sanjay Patra is a Qualified Chartered Accountant, he also holds a Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) focused in Monitoring and Reporting of NGO projects in India – Trends and Challenges.

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