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Dr. Vijai Kr. Umrao is leading the project successfully since 2012 as the Secretary (BAAS) and *Managing/Chief Editor* of the journal (HRS).

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