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- **Principal Secretary,** Department of Power and Renewable Energy, Government of Haryana.
- **Managing Director**, Haryana State Industrial Development Corporation, Haryana Tourism Corporation, Haryana State Cooperative Federation of Sugar Mills.
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