

Budget is a mixed bag of announcements: Kishore Biyani

What industry experts and leaders are saying about Union Budget 2016-17



Arun Jaitley, finance minister. Photo: AP

Finance minister Arun Jaitley has just completed his Union Budget 2016-17 speech. Let's hear what industry experts and leaders are saying about it:

"The finance minister's focus on agriculture in the Budget 2016-17 was keenly awaited and will enhance expenditure on the rural and agriculture sectors. Although the soil health card scheme, Fasal Bima Yojana and common e-market platform will help in improving the agriculture sector in the country. However it is disappointing to see no encouragement for agri-biotech research by public or private institutions for augmenting the agriculture sector."

– **Dr Shivendra Bajaj, executive director, Association of Biotechnology Led Enterprises, Agriculture Group**