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## India moves on ease of investment flow

by India Inc Staff

The big bang is missing, but investors will still get a substantial bang for their buck. In keeping with its stated goal of improving the ease of doing business in India, the Modi gov't. has proposed that foreign investments of up to \$500 million need not go for approval.

## India to open up insurance to foreign investors

by India Inc Staff

The Rajya Sabha recently passed the Insurance Laws (Amendment) Bill 2015 into law, paving the way for foreign insurers and other foreign investors to buy up to 49 stakes in Indian insurance companies.

## Indian Parliament moves on reform agenda

by India Inc Staff

The Modi gov't's efforts to push ahead with India's stalled reforms process received a big boost with the principal opposition party, the Indian National Congress, reportedly agreeing to the early passage of the insurance, coal mines & the mines and mineral developments bills.

## Where's the money, honey?

by Sidharth Birla

The Budget is out, along with directional - if not exactly policy - statements. Those who have not salivated over it, have also not been able to pinpoint significant flaws.

## Sebi merged with FMC: Idea of networked governance was compulsive rather than impulsive

by Siddharth Acharya

Few decisions in this Budget are taken by seeing pulse of the market. Sebi's merger with FMC is a much needed reform that will strengthen the pulse.

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