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Union Budget 2025 Expectations Live Updates: According to Sahil Anand, Founder and Managing Partner of Cedar-IBSi Capital, a fintech venture capital firm, "tax breaks on early-stage investments and Angel Tax-related exemptions need to be allocated for further capital inflows towards startup companies. The current tax regime makes disinvestment in innovation rather unattractive and necessitates some restructuring."

Additionally, "bringing down capital gains taxes for venture capital and private equity players would push India as a significant market destination for such investors into sectors like financial services and healthcare, among others," Anand said.

"Lastly, the regulatory sandboxes, especially in the Fintech space, need to see their capabilities and coverage expand, so that emerging technologies can be accelerated for testing and launching various financial services. Speedier approval processes will create a more dynamic FinTech ecosystem," he added.