# Indian IT infra mkt to reach $3 bn by '16: Gartner

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The Indian information technology infrastructure market comprising servers, storage and networking equipment is expected to reach ₹3 billion by 2016, research firm Gartner today said.

The segment, estimated at $1.9 billion in 2011, is expected to grow 10.3 per cent to $2 billion in 2012 and further expand to $3 billion by 2016, Gartner said in a statement.

"Technology's role in the enterprise is increasing and IT's closer alignment with business, and vice versa, is a topic of much focus within Indian enterprises today," research director Aman Munglani said. Soon, there will be a time when there is no IT strategy, only a business strategy as CIO's are seeing technology as a business enabler and a engine for innovation, he added.

Revenue growth will be primarily driven by ongoing data centre modernisation, as well as new data centre buildouts. Servers are the largest segment of the Indian IT infrastructure market as revenue are forecast to reach $754.5 million in 2012 and grow to $967 million in 2016.

In 2011, server revenue revenues in the Indian market stood at stood at $728.6 million. The external controller-based storage disk market in India is expected to grow from $354 million in 2011 to $439 million in 2012 to $842 million in 2016. This is the fastest growing segment within the IT infrastructure market, it said.

The enterprise network equipment market in India, which includes enterprise LAN and WAN equipment, is expected to grow from $780 million in 2011 to $861 million in 2012 and further to $1.2 billion in 2016.