

Rank Computers Reports Rising Demand for IT Hardware and Laptops on Rent Among Indian Startups

Rank Computers and RankSecure empower Indian startups with scalable, capital-efficient IT rentals and software solutions to accelerate secure growth.

MUMBAI, INDIA, November 13, 2025 /EINPresswire.com/ -- “We can’t hire a new developer if we buy better GPU laptops this quarter.”



It’s a conversation that plays out in co-working spaces across India as founders race to build faster than their capital can follow. In a time increasingly defined by AI, automation, and SaaS, the trade-off between scaling early and burning out quickly often shows up where you place your first bet.

Most early-stage entrepreneurs master the art of renting offices, subscribing to software, and outsourcing operations. When it comes to hardware, though, many still buy. The intention to build a strong base is sound, but the outcome is often characterised by cash flow chaos. The capital that could’ve gone into hiring, marketing, or user acquisition now quietly becomes upfront spend on laptops, servers, and workstations.

However, startups are reframing growth. One ex-BCG founder of a Pune AI startup scaled smart by renting top-grade laptops and iPads for his team. No procurement lag, no cash freeze, just speed and control when clients poured in. The move freed up significant capital, allowing the team to accelerate product development and fund early international expansion.

Entrepreneurs across India are adopting this mindset of prioritising agility over ownership. Startups are moving away from CapEx to OpEx. Equipping a distributed workforce is no longer a logistical nightmare for founders, as renting provides a cost-effective and scalable solution to ensure every employee has the latest tech. The skyrocketing demand for AI, cloud computing, and cybersecurity solutions requires state-of-the-art hardware and renting offers a flexible way to access this cutting-edge technology without the risk of rapid obsolescence.

The boom of the hardware-as-a-service reflects a growing trend in India's startup ecosystem. As Rakesh Bhavnani, Director at [Rank Computers](#) Pvt. Ltd., observes,

"Startups today are built in a world where everything moves at the speed of ideas. The goal should be to test, iterate, and grow quickly, not to get weighed down by fixed costs."

His point resonates far beyond one company. India's digital economy has normalised subscription-based tools, from marketing platforms to cloud services, but hardware has been the last frontier. That's changing as hardware-as-a-service models mature and as founders realise that financial flexibility is a competitive edge. Globally, the IT equipment rental market has been expanding rapidly. It's valued at USD 10.5 billion in 2024 and projected to reach USD 20.8 billion by 2033, growing at a CAGR of around 8.5% (Verified Market Reports).

For startups, however, flexibility must go hand in hand with security and compliance. As more devices connect and more data move to the cloud, managing software licenses, endpoint protection, and data integrity becomes critical. Ecosystems like [RankSecure.in](#), a managed services arm associated with Rank Computers, illustrate how companies are pairing agile infrastructure with governance tools that help businesses stay secure, compliant, and audit-ready.

Companies like Rank Computers and RankSecure make us realise that the next generation of startup success may hinge on something quieter: smarter capital allocation. As the country's entrepreneurs embrace asset-light models and digital-first operations, hardware-as-a-service could emerge as the unseen backbone of this shift.

Access over ownership. Efficiency over excess. More than being a financial strategy, it's a philosophy that's defining the 2025 startup revolution.

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