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Sun Micro unveils 'Sun Fire' servers

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SUN Microsystems Inc introduced the Sun Fire Servers based on the UltraSPARC III technology in India on Tuesday. UltraSPARC III is a third generation 64 bit processor. Mr Anant Agrawal, vice president/general manager, Networking and Security Business Unit, Sun Microsystems Inc says "With UltraSPARC III, we have brought some of the features which exist in an expensive mainframe machines and brought them to a mid range pricing."

The new Sun Fire servers are designed to deliver unprecedented levels of system availabil-

ity, real-world application performance, flexibility and investment protection in a server line, according to company officials.

Mr Agrawal said that the new measures of mid-range computing performance include the availability for real world applications and return on investments. He says "Sun is a leading supplier of servers in this industry and this has been achieved through our existing product line which is UltraSPARC II based. The introduction of UltraSPARC III is going to widen the gap between us and our competition."

Mr Bhaskar Pramanik, managing director, Sun Microsystems India says "we are excited

about bringing this futuristic product to India. It's more bad news for the competition. After a year in which IBM and HP threw everything they could at us including old products with new names and new products with 'super' names, we still took away the market share from them."

He said that that there was a problem with UltraSPARC III early this year but it was immediately fixed by changing the software patch. He says "all the servers being shipped now have this patch. This problem has been fixed parallelly and as soon as it is in volume production it will be shipped again."