

?Enterprise customers are now more willing to implement open source?

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Jim Whitehurst expects India to play a larger role in NYSE-listed Red Hat's global strategy, thanks to the rapid pace of infrastructure creation.

?When a new system's put into place, it's increasingly likely that it may be built on open source. We like places where there is a lot of infrastructure going in,? Whitehurst, President and Chief Executive Officer, Red Hat, said. Red Hat is the world's largest commercial distributor of the open source-based Linux operating system. Open source denotes software for which the original source code is made freely available and may be redistributed and modified. In an interaction with BusinessLine, Whitehurst throws light on the opportunities in the Indian marketplace for open source. He also explains why the company is keen to increasingly move more support functions to India.

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