MULTIFUNCTION DEVICE

HP OFFICEJET PRO 8600 PLUS

VERDICT: A great office MFD with laser-like print quality and duplex printing
FOR: : Duplex printing, large display, connectivity options.
AGAINST: None

The HP Officejet Pro 8600 Plus is an e-all-in-one MFD for small to medium-sized business environments. It is slightly oversized compared to others in the category, but it makes up for that with its rugged shell and tough paper trays. The shell has a matte-finished, bronze colored exterior with no glossy sections. It features an inkjet printer that can print at resolutions of 1200 x 600 dpi in black and up to 4800 x 1200 optimized dpi in color. Additional features of the 8600 Plus include a scanner with ADF (4800 dpi), a color fax with 100 pages memory and a copier with a resolution of 1200 x 600

dpi. It supports USB, Ethernet or wireless connections. The control panel features a large 4.3-inch color touchscreen with all the settings and controls needed to operate the MFD. On the performance front, print speeds of maximum 24 ppm were obtained; a 10-page word document took 75 seconds for duplex printing. A 4x6 photo paper takes just 50 seconds and the unit takes 35 seconds to power up. The print quality is very crisp and almost laser-like. Cartridges are available for Rs 2,139 (black) and Rs 4,695 (color set). The yield for black is 2,300 pages and color is 1,500 pages.

- Francis D'sa

SPECIFICATIONS

Rs 20,999
www.hp.com

Dimensions (WxHxD): **19.4 x 18.1 x 12.4 inches;** Functions: **Print, Copy, Fax, Scan, Web;** Print resolution: **4800 x 1200 dpi;** Scan resolution: **7800 dpi;** Interface: **USB 2.0, USB host, Card reader, Ethernet, Wi-fi;** Display: **4.3-inch color touchscreen;** Paper handling: **250 sheets input, 150 sheets output.**

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RATINGS

BUILD QUALITY	●●●●○
ERGONOMICS	●●●●○
FEATURES	●●●●○
PERFORMANCE	●●●●○
OVERALL RATING	●●●●○
VALUE FOR MONEY	●●●●○

NAS

SYNOLOGY DS1512+

VERDICT: A simple and powerful means of centralising and sharing data.
FOR: : Very feature rich, easy to deploy, expandable up to 60 TB.
AGAINST: No front panel USB ports.

The Synology DiskStation DS1512+ is a high-performance, feature-rich NAS server aimed specifically at small and medium-sized business environments that need an effective and efficient solution to centralize and manage data. It is built using a 2.13 GHz Intel Atom D2700 dual-core processor and with 1 GB of DDR3 RAM. You can install up to five hard drives with a maximum capacity of 4 TB each – making for a total capacity of 20 TB. External hard drives can also be connected to the DiskStation using the USB 2.0 (x4), USB 3.0 (x2) or eSATA (x2) ports available on the rear panel. The rear panel features two Gigabit LAN ports and USB and eSATA ports too.

The DS1512+ runs on the latest version of Synology's DiskStation Manager Software (DSM 4.0), which features an easy-to-use interface. The UI is pretty simple to navigate and sports widgets that keep you updated about the system's status. The server is easy to install and deploy on your network, but the process will, initially, take quite a while to complete as each drive is initialized, tested and then put into service. The NAS is a robust and simple solution for initiating a centralised data service in any small or medium-sized business organization. We recommend this unit for SOHO users.

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SPECIFICATIONS

Rs 85,000
www.synology.com

Dimensions (WxHxD): **248 x 157 X 233 mm;** Weight: **4.25 Kg;** Drives: **x5 SATA 2.5/3.5-inch;** Processor: **Intel Atom Dual Core 2.13 GHz;** RAM: **1 GB DDR3;** USB: **2x USB 3.0, 4 x USB 2.0;** eSATA: **x2;** LAN: **2 x Gigabit.**

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RATINGS

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FEATURES	●●●●●
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OVERALL RATING	●●●●○
VALUE FOR MONEY	●●●○○