php-fpm

PHP-FPM (FastCGI Process Manager) is an **alternative** to FastCGI implementation of PHP with some additional features useful for sites with **high traffic.** It is the preferred method of processing **PHP pages with NGINX** and is faster than traditional CGI based methods such as **SUPHP** or mod_php for running a PHP script. The main advantage of using PHP-FPM is that it uses a considerable amount of **less memory and CPU** as compared with any other methods of running PHP. The primary reason is that it **demonizes** PHP, thereby transforming it to a **background** process while providing a CLI script for managing PHP request.