



**RAM (Random Access Memory):** It is used for holding the data temporarily while the computer is working. Its data gets erased when the computer is switched off.

**ROM (Read Only Memory):** It holds the instructions given by the manufacturer to operate the computer. It is a permanent memory.

## hard disk



It stores all the software and data. It is fixed inside the CPU box.

## compact disk



It is a portable device that stores large amount of data.

## pen drive



It is a small portable device that stores very large amount of data.