

September 25, 2016

LEG 2

APRC Flash No. 7

Weather: Cloudy

Temperature: 16°C

Road Condition: Wet

After SS 12 OTOFUKE Reverse 1

DRIVER COMMENTS

1. Gaurav GILL

Just waking up, I feel good. I just want to keep the car neat and clean, drive clean and fast in the rhythm. No taken extra chances or risks, no need to do anything stupid. Just have fun and enjoy the beautiful roads.

2. Fabian Kreim

So far good, all good. It's a nice stage, very demanding. I want to get some experience.

3. Michael YOUNG

(I don't) feel very good, something is wrong with the car. It's very hard to drive. It's doing something very strange dynamics. Maybe, probably I have the car checked at the service. I'll see what we can do.

4. Hitoshi TAKAYAMA

I am enjoying the rally. I will push harder from the next stage.

5. Satoshi IMAI

I think I drove relatively well, for the first run in the morning.

6. Yuya SUMIYAMA

The car is still in the fine-tuning stage and needs more improvement, but I will try hard to drive as much as I can.

7. Sanjay TAKALE

I think it was good. Not so slippery, and looking for a good day.

8. Tomohide HASEGAWA

Thanks to the mechanics, the car is now repaired, and I think I can enjoy the rally. I will see you at the ceremonial finish.

10. Atsushi MASUMURA

The reason of our withdrawal yesterday was due to damage after a jump at SS4. When the car landed from the jump, it hit the bottom of the front section, and the under guard plate hit the oil filter so hard that the filter was damaged, causing oil leaks which ended up with turbine blow. It was sad.

11. Fuyuhiko TAKAHASHI

Very slippery, but I think that is it. I could finish the stage safely. I will try not to lose our position, being careful and finish the rally.

12. Wataru AONO

I was sleepy as it is very early in the morning. It was a good stage to wake me up.

14. Hiroshi HOSHINO

The road surface was wet, and I did not expect that. A bit scary.

15. Eiichi IWASHITA

I think my body is still in sleep, as it is very early in the morning.

16. Satoru ITO

Very slippery. Suitable stage to wake me up.

20. Koji MIYAMOTO

We went off the course yesterday and stopped in the stage yesterday. But fortunately, the damage was limited to left tie-rod, and we could replace it without any problem. However, left shock absorber has leakage and that caused unstable movement on right curves. But today we got it replaced, and now we are back in the rally, testing a new suspension set. Today we can finish the leg, no problem.

21. Kimito KONDO

My body is still stiff and after the finish line the car spun. Fortunately I could regain the control after it.