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Crews of the 46th Barum Czech Rally Zlín 2016 run on Saturday morning two stages on sections Březová – BENZINA (length 11.74 km) and Košíky – M-SERVIS (length 22,22 km). At Regrouping in front of the administrative building of Continental Barum s.r.o. we took some of their time to ask them about the rally so far.

Łukasz Habaj (POL, Ford Fiesta R5, starting no. 9):

‘We had some troubles with the gearbox and we’ve got it fix it.’

Alexey Lukyanuk (RUS, Ford Fiesta R5, starting no. 4):

‘Everything is working well. Car is OK, so no complaints.’

Jan Kopecký (CZE, Škoda Fabia R5, starting no. 2):

‘No problems so far. We only damaged a mirror but that is allowed on Barum Rally.’

Kajetan Kajetanowicz (POL, Ford Fiesta R5, starting no. 1):

‘At this moment everything is good. So far we’re third. Inside our car it is really hot and the rally is still at its beginning.’

Ralfs Sirmacis (LVA, Škoda Fabia R5, starting no. 6):

‘It was OK. On each stage I get some experience.’

Tomáš Kostka (CZE, Škoda Fabia R5, starting no. 16):

‘It wasn’t perfect on SS Slušovice, we choose bad tyres. However, they were great on the second one. All in all, not so bad. Car is working well so it is up to us.’

Jaromír Tarabus (CZE, Škoda Fabia R5, starting no. 5):

‘We had to make some changes before start. But it is OK.’

Roman Odložilík (CZE, Ford Fiesta R5, starting no. 12):

‘I got bad gear. On this section we’re going to loose a lot of time, we were on limit. In the forest I was very afraid because we picked strong silencers, we’re gonna soften it up.’

Fabian Kreim (DEU, Škoda Fabia R5, starting no. 11):

‘It is our first time here. We’re learning about the character of the stages. On the last stage we missed a junction. But we’re not unhappy.’

Dávid Botka (HUN, Citroën DS3 R5, starting no. 14):

‘On the first stage we hit a bridge, we got the puncture. But we’re still in this rally.’

Jan Černý (CZE, Škoda Fabia R5, starting no. 10):

'I'm really enjoying it, the car is great and stages are beautiful. With each kilometre it's getting better. Weather is nice and fans are fantastic.'

Pavel Valoušek (CZE, Škoda Fabia R5, starting no. 7):

'No mistakes so far, but not as fast as we'd like to. On the last stage I thought we were fast enough, but not according to our time. I don't know what's wrong.'

Cédric Cherain (BEL, Ford Fiesta R5, starting no. 19):

'It is good. It's not easy, but we're going on. Step by step.'

Martin Vlček (CZE, Ford Fiesta R5, starting no. 17):

'We hit a branch but without any consequences. We have some troubles with chassis, we have to set it up. I can't control the car on some messy parts of the road. I wouldn't take it to Pindula.'

Jan Jelínek (CZE, Škoda Fabia S2000, starting no. 20):

'Everything is great. We spun on Slušovice so we lost some time. The roads are quite messy therefore we are carefull, we don't want to slip.'

Antonín Tlust'ák (CZE, Škoda Fabia R5, starting no. 18):

'I almost broke a wheel on the first stage. On the second stage, the road tricked us, we have to change the chassis.'

Bryan Bouffier (FRA, Citroën DS3 R5, starting no. 3):

'The first road was a bit dirty, but quite good pace anyway. The second one was a bit tricky. We had to adapt our pace.'

Tomáš Růžička (CZE, Škoda Fabia R5, starting no. 15):

'The first stage was more difficult and the second one We're 19th in a row so we get the dirty roads but I'm happy.'

Giacomo Scattolon (ITA, Mitsubishi Lancer EVO IX, starting no. 21):

'Tyres are good with good pressure. Our times are up and down.'

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