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On Sunday morning the remaining brave and strong crews had to deal with three stages – Semetín, Troják, Žlutava. They summarized for us the SS and told us their plans for rest of Leg 2.

### **Antonín Tlust'ák (CZE, Škoda Fabia S2000), starting no. 15**

"I am glad we made it to service. On SS Troják I made two mistakes and that cost us a lot of time but the rest was OK. We will see about the remaining two".

### **Hermen Kobus (NLD, Škoda Fabia R5), starting no. 18**

"I think the first stage today is the most difficult I have ever done in my life. It had everything, it was fast, twisty, bumpy. You have dips, crests, jumps, it is all narrow and it was blind. Today, Breen is very fast so we do not have to be ashamed if he overtakes us in the next loop of stages but we are doing our best to keep this position or even better."

### **Jan Černý (CZE, Škoda Fabia S2000), starting no. 17**

"I was a bit sleepy in the morning so the SS Semetín was not ideal. On Troják we were careful and on SS Žlutava we did well. The key is to keep your pace and not to fall asleep."

### **Miroslav Jakeš (CZE, Citroën DS3 R5), starting no. 20**

"It is bad. Semetín was good but we had a puncture on Troják. I do not get it. I do not know how that happened. We lost more than two minutes and on top of that the tube brakes is broken. We dropped down."

### **Pavel Valoušek (CZE, Škoda Fabia S2000), starting no. 10**

"It was difficult, no surprise there. Our strategy is very simple. I am trying to avoid cuts and be careful. We cannot really move up and our goal is to reach the finish line and be third in Czech Rally Championship."

### **Alexey Lukyanuk (BLR, Ford Fiesta R5), starting no. 5**

"It is so easy to do a stupid mistake on these short stages. Even though we are still learning I am glad with our speed and I feel strong."

### **Kajetan Kajetanowicz (POL, Ford Fiesta R5), starting no. 3**

"These stages are beautiful and SS Troják is the best one. Everything is narrow, bumpy and even bumpier. We must be focused no matter what and finish this rally."

### **Václav Pech (CZE, Mini John Cooper Works S2000), starting no. 4**

"It is great but the weather is rather hot."

### **Jan Kopecký (CZE, Škoda Fabia R5), starting no. 1**

"Today, it is a bit odd. We spun on SS Semetín but no more than five seconds were lost. We did win SS Troják but we chose to do SS Žlutava more consciously."



**Craig Breen (IRL, Peugeot 208 T16), starting no. 2**

“We won one stage but we are struggling with tyres. Sunday’s stages are way harder than Saturday’s.”

**Jaromír Tarabus (CZE, Škoda Fabia R5), starting no. 6**

“The beginning might have slightly more careful than needed. Some places on SS Semetín took us by surprise. We will try to increase the pressure because there is a fight for important points to the European Championship.”

**Hermann Neubauer (AUT, Ford Fiesta S2000), starting no. 9**

“For the first time in my life I am in super rally. I am out of competition so I am driving for myself. My confidence is not fully restored and I am still fighting with my own driving style. Hopefully, I can find a better rhythm in the last run.”

**Jan Jelínek (CZE, Škoda Fabia S2000), starting no. 22**

“These stages, Semetín and Troják, are one big hell so we are immensely happy we were successful over there.”

**Roman Odložilík (CZE, Ford Fiesta S2000), starting no. 12**

“We are only doing this for the fans now. Maybe if Pavel Valoušek was struggling we can move up, but the roads are so worn out.”

**Sepp Wiegand (DEU, Škoda Fabia S2000), starting no. 11**

“SS Semetín was really crazy, one jump here, one jump there. It is probably the craziest stage on this rally. And it took me some time to realize I was sitting too low and not seeing the road properly.”

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