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Flash info after Super Special Stage (SS 1)

The 46th Barum Czech Rally Zlín began in the streets of Zlín on Super Special Stage. We have captured emotions and opinions of these great drivers.

Julius Tannert (DEU, Opel Adam R2, starting no. 27):

'It was quite good. It was nice to see a lot of spectators. First lap wasn't that good, the others were better.'

Marijan Griebel (DEU, Opel Adam R2, starting no. 26):

'It was tricky at the beginning because of cold tyres. I tried to be careful because it is a long and difficult rally.'

Christopher Ingram (GBR, Opel Adam R2, starting no. 25):

'I'm not aware of anything (*response to dangling front light*). Otherwise I loved this stage, fans and everything.'

Murat Bostanci (TUR, Ford Fiesta R2T, starting no. 24):

'These roads are narrow and twisted. You can't go too fast.'

Luca Rossetti (ITA, Toyota GT86 CS-R3, starting no. 23):

'I tried to drive without any mistakes because the crucial parts are tomorrow.'

Tibor Érdi jr. (HUN, Mitsubishi Lancer EVO X, starting no. 22):

'I've a good feeling about the stage and our car.'

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

'It is OK. This stage is fantastic. I'm not sure about the time, but I think it is good.'

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

'It is OK. We were driving carefully.'

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

'I don't think I lost too much time. We were trying to avoid any mistakes. I like this town.'

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

'We survived and the car is not damaged.'

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

'The stage was very good. We have a great feeling about it. Everything's working well. It was a fine test for tomorrow.'

Tomáš Kostka (CZE, Škoda Fabia R5, starting no. 16):
'It is like circuit racing, but narrower.'

Tomáš Růžička (CZE, Škoda Fabia R5, starting no. 15):
'It was a good warm up for Saturday. We had cold tyres and made a few mistakes.'

Dávid Botka (HUN, Citroën DS3 R5, starting no. 14):
'First lap was a bit slower. The spectators are fantastic.'

Roman Odložilík (CZE, Ford Fiesta R5, starting no. 12):
'It was a very funny stage, very technical with a lot of spectators around.'

Fabian Kreim (DEU, Škoda Fabia R5, starting no. 11):
'It was not so bad considering it's my first time here.'

Jan Černý (CZE, Škoda Fabia R5, starting no. 10):
'It was quite good. I'm looking forward to tomorrow morning and we would like to enjoy this rally.'

Łukasz Habaj (POL, Ford Fiesta R5, starting no. 9):
'We had a clean ride. It's my first time so I wanted to be careful. Still I enjoyed it. There are a lot of fans and flashes, which we had to get used to. Normally I don't like these types of stages, but this one was great. I'm really happy.'

Hermen Kobus (NLD, Škoda Fabia R5, starting no. 8):
'First lap was bad. Then we speed up. It was much better than during shakedown.'

Pavel Valoušek (CZE, Škoda Fabia R5, starting no. 7):
'We tried to do our best, it was quite hard. We'll try to keep up the good work.'

Ralfs Sirmacis (LVA, Škoda Fabia R5, starting no. 6):
'It's OK. On the first lap we had cold tyres.'

Jaromír Tarabus (CZE, Škoda Fabia R5, starting no. 5):
'I was a bit nervous, the road was slippery. But the real rally starts tomorrow.'

Alexey Lukyanuk (RUS, Ford Fiesta R5, starting no. 4):
'First lap was careful, then we were speeding up.'

Bryan Bouffier (FRA, Citroën DS3 R5, starting no. 3):
'Our team did a good job repairing the car. It works well.'

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

‘We hit a plastic barrel with a rear right. But we’re the fastest.’

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

‘Our plan was to be among the top three. We did that. The fans and the atmosphere, it’s simply amazing.’