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First regrouping in Service Park Otrokovice.

The competing crews have already passed this special stages Biskupice (8.85 km), Semetín (11.55 km) and Troják (22.87 km) and it already seems to be a two-man show rally between Kopecký and Lukyanuk.

Lukyanuk Alexey (RUS, Ford Fiesta R5, Start. No. 4)

'I'm happy that we're keeping up with Jan Kopecký. We did very well on Semetín, but on Troják I made a mistake and that cost us two seconds.'

Kopecký Jan (CZE, Škoda Fabia R5, Start. No. 2)

'I knew that Lukyanuk would be fast on Semetín that stage suits him. Lot of drivers are dealing with understeering and so do we.'

Pech Václav (CZE, Ford Fiesta R5, Start. No. 7)

'I made two big mistakes and when I tried to catch up, I made another one. I'm glad we made it here and our car is not severely damaged.'

Kajetanowicz Kajetan (POL, Ford Fiesta R5, Start. No. 1)

'Kopecký and Lukyanuk are fast. I'd be very happy to catch up with them, but our goal is to keep Bruno behind our backs. It's a bumpy rally.'

Kostka Tomáš (CZE, Škoda Fabia R5, Start. No. 16)

'We have some issues with the tyres, we have to change them. We went easy on Troják, hopefully, with the new set of tyres we'll do better.'

Černý Jan (CZE, Škoda Fabia R5, Start. No. 18)

'We can't keep the pace throughout the whole stage. On some sections it's good and then we can't do some turns. I believe we'll improve.'

Koči Martin (SVK, Škoda Fabia R5, Start. No. 14)

'These stages are difficult. There's definitely chance to improve. We're going to change tyres and be faster.'

Magalhaes Bruno (PRT, Škoda Fabia R5, Start. No. 3)

'It's our first time and so far it's OK. I lack experience, luckily our car is not damaged.'

Valoušek Pavel (CZE, Škoda Fabia R5, Start. No. 11)

'There was one dramatic moment. It's in our ability to go faster.'

Kresta Roman (CZE, Škoda Fabia R5, Start. No. 9)

'We're keeping our pace. It's a shame about the penalisation.'

Odložilík Roman (CZE, Ford Fiesta R5, Start. No. 27)

'I'm glad to be here that our car is fine. Because of my age it's my last Barum rally and I think I'm doing well.'

Bouffier Bryan (FRA, Ford Fiesta R5, Start. No. 5)

'On the first stage I hit our car a bit. This rally is tricky, there's always different type of tarmac.'

Habaj Łukasz (POL, Ford Fiesta R5, Start. No. 21)

'It's a very difficult rally and we're bound to make some small mistakes.'

Moffett Josh (IRL, Ford Fiesta R5, Start. No. 12)

'We're having a lot of fun. I've never raced on a surface that is here. We're having a ball. It's our first time here but I think our time is great, we're doing a good job.'

Botka Dávid (HUN, Škoda Fabia R5, Start. No. 23)

'It's a good rally. Troják was really tricky. We can improve.'

Bostanci Murat (TUR, Ford Fiesta R5, Start. No. 25)

'It's not very good because we made some mistakes. I don't feel confident behind the wheel.'

Tarabus Jaromír (CZE, Škoda Fabia S2000, Start. No. 26)

'The airholes shut down so no fresh air for us. We're going according to our plans.'

Tlust'ák Antonín (CZE, Škoda Fabia R5, Start. No. 20)

'I got some issues with a dumper that we're going to repair in service.'

Dumas Romain (FRA, Porsche 997 GT3, Start. No. 30)

'It's not easy. The roads are tough on car. We had a puncture.'

Ingram Chris (GBR, Opel Adam R2)

'After yesterday, which was just bad luck for us. We're climbing higher. Our goal is to reach podium in Junior ERC.'

Mareš Filip (CZE, Peugeot 208 R2, Start. No. 38)

'We're enjoying this rally. It's great to be competing with Europe's best drivers.'

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