

Rally Turkey– Day Three Report

- Hyundai Motorsport has increased its lead in the FIA World Rally Championship (WRC) manufacturers' standings with a hard-fought podium in Rally Turkey
- Third place for Andreas Mikkelsen and Anders Jæger-Amland netted the Norwegians their third podium of the season and the team's tenth in total for 2019
- Dani Sordo completed the rally in fifth with Thierry Neuville taking four consolatory Power Stage points after his roll on Saturday morning.

Asparan, Turkey

September 15, 2019 – Hyundai Motorsport has claimed its tenth individual podium of the 2019 FIA World Rally Championship (WRC) season with a third-place finish in Rally Turkey. The result sees the team increase its lead in the manufacturers' standings to 19 points with three rounds of the season remaining.

Andreas Mikkelsen and Anders Jæger-Amland secured the result with a competitive performance, claiming their third stage win of the weekend on the final morning. It marks the Norwegian crew's third podium of the season in the Hyundai i20 Coupe WRC following second place in Argentina and third in Sardinia.

Sunday's itinerary covered four stages over a distance of just 38.62km: Gökçe (11.32km), Çiçekli (13.20km) and two runs through Marmaris (7.05km), the second of which acted as the rally-concluding Power Stage.

A clean final day for Dani Sordo and Carlos del Barrio saw the Spaniards confirm fifth place to add important points to Hyundai Motorsport's championship total. Thierry Neuville and Nicolas Gilsoul, meanwhile, completed the rally with second place in the Power Stage at the end of a disappointing weekend. The Belgian crew saw their hopes of a victory push ruined after a roll on Saturday morning lost them over four minutes of time.

Neuville holds third place in the drivers' classification on 180 points, 30 from the lead, with Mikkelsen moving up to fourth position with 94.

Crew Notes: Andreas Mikkelsen/Anders Jæger-Amland (#89 Hyundai i20 Coupe WRC)

- Three stage wins (SS1, joint with Neuville, SS9 and SS16)
- Third podium result of 2019 and fourth in total for Hyundai Motorsport

Mikkelsen said: *"It has been a good rally for us and I am delighted to be back on the podium. We have concentrated on staying away from drama, keeping out of trouble and maintaining a good pace, all of which we have managed well. We were particularly strong on the first pass of each loop, but less so on the second runs, which is something we have to look at. Overall, though, we can be happy with this third place. We've taken a decent haul of points for the team, which is most important."*

Crew Notes: Dani Sordo/Carlos del Barrio (#6 Hyundai i20 Coupe WRC)

- Second consecutive top-five finish of the season for the Spanish crew



- Ten important points added to the team's manufacturers' championship total

Sordo said: *"Our target for today was to bring the car home and to secure our fifth place. With Andreas in third place, we have been able to take some important points for the manufacturers' championship, which is good news. Without our puncture on Friday morning, we would have been able to put up an even stronger fight but these roads in Turkey can be extremely rough, so to make it to the end of the weekend in fifth place is not so bad."*

Crew Notes: Thierry Neuville/Nicolas Gilsoul (#11 Hyundai i20 Coupe WRC)

- Early fight for Turkish victory ended with roll on Saturday morning
- Crew finished second in the Power Stage, having been among the front-runners all weekend

Neuville said: *"It has definitely been a disappointing and difficult weekend for us. In the dust on Saturday morning, my instincts told me to go too much to the right and we ended up in a ditch on our side. Four minutes of time loss later and we were in a very different rally. From there, our focus was on scoring some points in the Power Stage. I gave it everything I could, and there was nothing more. That's how it is. We have three rounds of the season left, so let's move onto the next one and see what happens."*

Team Director Andrea Adamo: *"It is not much use to say that it has been a tough rally for us. It is definitely not the result we would have hoped for. After a difficult Friday, I just asked my people to manage the situation, to bring back the best result possible and take as many manufacturer points as we could. Thanks to everyone for understanding my requests and supporting what I asked them to do, including the three crews. The fact we've increased our lead in the championship is the only positive thing I can take away from this rally."*

Next Rally

- The FIA World Rally Championship (WRC) continues onto the gravel roads of Wales Rally GB in a few weeks' time
- The 12th round of the season takes place from October 3-6.

Final Overall Classification – Rally Turkey

1	S. Ogier	J. Ingrassia	Citroën C3 WRC	3:50:12.1
2	E. Lappi	J. Ferm	Citroën C3 WRC	+34.7
3	A. Mikkelsen	A. Jæger-Amland	Hyundai i20 Coupe WRC	+1:04.5
4	T. Suninen	J. Lehtinen	Ford Fiesta WRC	+1:35.1
5	D. Sordo	C. del Barrio	Hyundai i20 Coupe WRC	+2:25.9
6	J.M Latvala	M. Anttila	Toyota Yaris WRC	+2:59.1
7	K. Meeke	S. Marshall	Toyota Yaris WRC	+3:53.3
8	T. Neuville	N. Gilsoul	Hyundai i20 Coupe WRC	+5:34.8
9	P. Tidemand	O. Fløene	Ford Fiesta WRC	+7:22.9
10	G. Greensmith	E. Edmondson	Ford Fiesta R5	+15:18.7

2019 FIA World Rally Championship for Manufacturers' Standings

After round 11

1	Hyundai Shell Mobis World Rally Team	314
2	Toyota Gazoo Racing World Rally Team	295
3	Citroën Total World Rally Team	259
4	M-Sport Ford World Rally Team	184

2019 FIA World Rally Championship for Drivers' Standings

After round 11

1	O. Tanak	210
2	S. Ogier	193
3	T. Neuville	180
4	A. Mikkelsen	94
5	K. Meeke	86
6	J.M Latvala	84
7	T. Suninen	83
8	E. Lappi	80
9	E. Evans	78
10	D. Sordo	72
11	S. Loeb	39

All results remain subject to official FIA confirmation.

About Hyundai Motorsport GmbH

Established on 19 December 2012, Hyundai Motorsport GmbH is responsible for Hyundai's global motorsport activities, including the FIA World Rally Championship (WRC) and Customer Racing projects. In WRC, Hyundai Motorsport quickly established a strong reputation taking victory in its debut season in 2014. The team amassed ten wins up to the end of the 2018 season and finished as runners-up in the manufacturers' championship on three consecutive occasions. Since the establishment of its Customer Racing activities in September 2015, Hyundai Motorsport has become a trusted partner for teams and drivers looking for success on the rally stages or on racetracks around the world. From its competitive i20 R5 rally car to the competitive i30 N TCR, Hyundai Motorsport-built cars have claimed victory in several championships, including national rally series in France and Spain, as well as the teams' and drivers' titles in the inaugural FIA World Touring Car Cup (WTCR) season. Unified under Hyundai Motorsport, WRC and Customer Racing are together playing instrumental roles in driving Hyundai's global high-performance N brand, and are supporting an important perception shift for the Hyundai brand around the world.

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