



## STAGE FLASH

**Date:** Saturday, May 11<sup>th</sup>  
**Day:** 2      **Flash N°:** 12  
**Special stage:** Pelun 2      **Distance:** 16.59 km  
**Weather:** Low cloud and reduced visibility (at start) and fine drizzle, 15°C  
**Road conditions:** Dry - damp in places

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As the stage progressed, the rain intensified at the start and the fog began to thicken.

### **Car 1. OGIER/INGRASSIA**

"It started to almost rain. We were not so lucky in there. We lost a lot of time with the fog. Tomorrow is still a tricky day."

### **Car 2. SUNINEN/SALMINEN**

"It's been a better pace today. I am hoping more. I did my best. We cannot do much more."

### **Car 4. LAPPI/FERM**

"It is getting step-by-step better. It is good to get more kilometres to get back on the pace where I should be."

### **Car 5. MEEKE/MARSHALL**

"Nothing to fight for. The hard tyres, it was wet at the start of the stage and it was slippery. I did not need to take any risks."

### **Car 8. TÄNAK/JARVEOJA**

"It was wet all the way. The stage was raining and big fog in the middle. We are safe and that is important. The lead is more than yesterday, so everything is going in the right direction."

### **Car 10. LATVALA/ANTTILA**

Stopped in the stage to examination the car as drizzle intensified. Latvala appeared to have lost hydraulic pressure and the team confirmed he has retired for the day.

### **Car 19. LOEB/ELENA**

"I think we did a good day. It was tricky to finish the day with quite a bit of fog at the start."

### **Car 33. EVANS/MARTIN**

"It has not been terrible. We would have liked a bit more. A few seconds here and there would have made the difference. But that is how it is."



**Car 37. BERTELLI/SCATTOLIN**

“Unbelievable stages especially the one before. It was starting to get foggy at the top but it was not so bad. We passed where we rolled before without another roll. It was important to finish the day.”

**Car 89. MIKKELSEN/JAEGER**

“I was better in the afternoon. We stepped up the pace a bit. The car is working good and it is quite good fun to drive now.”

**Car 22. ROVANPERÄ/HALTTUNEN**

“Now the second loop we were trying to match the pace of Mads. He is pushing hard. I am losing time on the downhill in the tight corners.”