

## FPT INDUSTRIAL ENGINES SWEEP THE PODIUM AT THE DAKAR 2025, SECURING NINE OUT OF TEN OF THE FINAL STANDINGS' TOP POSITIONS

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**FPT Industrial is once again on the podium at the Dakar Rally:** the 47<sup>th</sup> edition of the world's most challenging rally raid, the Dakar 2025, has seen another remarkable achievement added to the brand's legacy. Indeed, **IVECO vehicles – powered by FPT Industrial's engines – swept the podium** and secured nine out of ten of the top final places in the truck standings. As Exclusive Technical Partner, the brand supported de Rooy FPT teams, led by the drivers **Aleš Loprais, Vaidotas Žala** and **Anja Van Loon**. Loprais, from **InstaTrade Loprais Team de Rooy FPT**, took **3<sup>rd</sup> place** with the well-known **IVECO Powerstar model 2024/2025 equipped with FPT Industrial's CURSOR 13 engines**, designed to deliver unmatched power, efficiency, reliability, and sustainability in the toughest conditions. **Vaidotas Žala**, the new entry to **Skuba Team de Rooy FPT**, and **Anja Van Loon (Fried Van de Laar Racing Team de Rooy FPT)**, who had already experienced the Dakar Rally in 2024 with a first-class performance, conquered the dunes of the stunning Saudi Arabian landscapes with impressive performances across multiple stages, including six podium finishes for Žala and a fourth-place finish for Van Loon. These two drivers finished the rally fifth and eighth respectively, recording their best-ever results in the competition.



This year's edition – confirmed by the organizers as one of the most challenging ever – featured twelve stages covering a total of **8,000 kilometers from Bisha to Shubaytah**, including more

than 5,000 kilometers of specials. **For eight out of the twelve stages, Aleš Loprais finished in the top three positions, winning five of them.** This outstanding result was achieved thanks to an exceptionally high-performance and reliable vehicle and engine, which never let the team down throughout the rally.

**At the end of the final stage, Aleš Loprais stated:** *“As always, the Dakar presents numerous challenges for us drivers – from the obstacles encountered dune after dune to the tests of endurance and resilience that unfold with each stage. Every year, the rally brings new, valuable lessons and unexpected surprises. To tackle them, relying on an FPT Industrial engine, which once again proved to be the perfect partner for such extreme conditions, is of immense value.”*

#### **DAKAR 2025 – Final Standings**

##### **3<sup>rd</sup> Place #601 InstaTrade Loprais Team de Rooy FPT**

Driver: Aleš Loprais

Navigator: David Kripal

Mechanic: Darek Rodewald

##### **5<sup>th</sup> Place #605 Skuba Team de Rooy FPT**

Driver: Vaidotas Žala

Navigator: Paulo Fiuza

Mechanic: Max Van Grol

##### **8<sup>th</sup> Place #613 Fried Van de Laar Racing Team de Rooy FPT**

Driver: Anja Van Loon

Navigator: Ben Van de Laar

Mechanic: Jan Van de Laar

Driving through one dune after another, the Dakar route highlighted all the qualities of the CURSOR 13 engines, designed to supply the highest levels of **power, efficiency, reliability, and sustainability in the toughest applications**. Even for everyday challenges, they represent the best solution for long-distance and heavy-duty trucks of over 16 tonnes Gross Vehicle Weight (GVW), thanks to **best-in-class performance and transient response** with low fuel consumption. FPT Industrial’s patented HI-eSCR technology – an EGR-free solution – ensures low Total Cost of Ownership (TCO), thanks also to the DPF with passive regeneration and best-in-class oil change intervals of up to 150,000 km. DPF cleaning at up to 600,000 km and reduced oil consumption provide significant advantages in terms of uptime and reduced costs.

## CURSOR 13 for IVECO Powerstar (Dakar 2025) – Technical Specifications



No. of cylinders / valves: 6L / 4  
Turbocharger: Twin Scroll  
Displacement [liters]: 12.88  
Bore x stroke [mm]: 135 x 150  
Maximum Rated Power [HP]: 1,000  
Maximum Torque [Nm]: 5,000  
Dry weight [kg]: 1,150

Behind the scenes of Team de Rooy FPT's triumph at the Rally Dakar was an irreplaceable ally: FPT Customer Service. At our headquarters in Turin, the Control Room team constantly monitored the performance of the engine, making use of an advanced, custom-made remote monitoring tool. A cutting-edge system, custom-developed especially to comply with the strict rules of the Dakar and the team's specific requirements. Day after day, stage after stage, the FPT Customer Service team supplied detailed reports and timely alerts in the event of faults, allowing the rally team to optimize their strategies and actions. Total support, which began months beforehand to allow for optimization, which led De Rooy right onto the Dakar podium.

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