

ENERGYLANDIA RALLY TEAM

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- **The crews spent the last few days on the shakedown stage, where the drivers carried out final checks of their cars setups**
- **Tomorrow, January 3rd, the rally will begin with the prologue in Yanbu**

Final preparations for the start of the 2026 Dakar Rally are coming to an end. The family-run



Energylandia Rally Team from Poland has devoted the past few days to testing and administrative matters. After the administrative day on December 30th, the crews used the shakedown stage over the following days, checking various setups and parts. These final on-site tests in Saudi Arabia provided a wealth of extremely valuable data. The crews completed testing their cars on January 2nd.

Meanwhile, life at the bivouac in Yanbu got fully underway. This also involved important procedures such as administrative checks, scrutineering, collection of safety equipment, and the general briefing with the organizer. All procedural matters were completed without any issues, meaning the Energylandia Rally Team is now fully prepared for the start of this year's Dakar Rally.

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- We have just completed our Dakar Rally tests. This was very important, as some parts arrived almost at the last minute. We were able to install them in the car and test them thoroughly. Our beast made it through in one piece, so we are happy. We have also completed all procedural matters, so our focus is already on tomorrow's prologue. The mechanics are checking our cars to make sure everything is exactly as it should be. We work very well together with Szymon and we are ready. We will fight – said Eryk Goczał after the tests.

- The shakedown stage was available to competitors for three days, so its characteristics changed quite significantly. This was another valuable experience for us. We covered more than 200 kilometers, checked everything we wanted to, and now the mechanics have taken over the cars. We are ready and eagerly awaiting the prologue – said Eryk's co-driver, Szymon Gospodarczyk.

- We devoted Thursday and Friday to testing. We had minor issues with our shipment of parts, but everything arrived and we managed to test it in time. I believe we are very well prepared for the start of the rally. Everyone in the team is smiling, in good spirits, and focused on a strong fight. We will give it our best – emphasized Marek Goczał.



- We have just completed some very productive tests and are now fully prepared for the start of the Dakar Rally. The waiting time felt long, so we are happy that it is starting already. Tomorrow is the prologue and just 22 kilometers of competition, but it finally begins. We definitely intend to attack from the very beginning – added Michał Goczał.

January 3rd is the day everyone has been waiting for. On Saturday, the prologue will take place, where competitors in the 2026 Dakar Rally will face each other for the first time. The route – although short



(22 km) – requires precise driving and full concentration. Time gaps are expected to be minimal, and the results will be crucial in the context of the evening ceremony, during which the fastest drivers will choose their starting positions for the following day. From a strategic point of view, this is a very important event.