

Dakar 2016, stage 7: Iveco closes in on the lead in the general classification

Federico Villagra's flat tire at the end of the stage and Ton Van Genugten's decision to help replace it, left Iveco without a victory in the special. However, the brand moved up to 2nd place in the general thanks to the team's leader, the Dutchman Gerard de Rooy.

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The Dakar Rally returned to Argentine soil in Stage 7, which ended on Saturday afternoon, prior to the day of rest in the city of Salta this Sunday. Part of the route was altered and cut short for Bikes



Pep Vila had another good day in his ongoing fight to place within the Top 10. He completed today's stage 9 minutes and 16 seconds after the winner, putting him in 12th place in the general. He is now 1 hour 26 minutes and 7 seconds behind the leader, Versluis, but just 32 seconds from the Top 10.

Stage 7 – Trucks

1. Nikolaev (RUS), Kamaz – 3:54:31
2. Mardeev (RUS), Kamaz – plus 58 seconds
3. Versluis (NLD), MAN – plus 1 minute 17 seconds
- 4. GERARD DE ROOY (NLD), IVECO – plus 2 minutes 11 seconds**
5. Mardeev (RUS), Kamaz – plus 6 minutes 44 seconds
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- 6. TON VAN GENUGTEN (NLD), IVECO – plus 9 minutes 8 seconds**
- 10. FEDERICO VILLAGRA (ARG), IVECO – plus 13 minutes 46 seconds**
- 13. PEP VILA (SPA), IVECO – plus 18 minutes 16 seconds**

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