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- Chiranth Vishwanath notches maiden win of season
- Sarthak Chavan extends win-spree
- Abdul Basim, Ryhana Bee, Raj Kumar score

Chennai, August 3: Chiranth Vishwanath from Bengaluru and his TVS Racing teammate Pune's Sarthak Chavan hogged the limelight with thrilling wins in the two Pro-Stock categories after surviving close battles in the third round of the MRF MMSC fmsci Indian National Motorcycle Racing Championship 2024 – Powered by STORM at the Madras International Circuit, here on Saturday. Incidentally, both the 17-year-old mavericks recorded the grand "treble" of pole position, fastest lap of race and race win.

Chiranth literally scrapped his way to his maiden win of the season in the Pro-Stock 165cc Open category. Though starting from pole, Chiranth, nursing a painful left leg after a heavy fall in this morning's Pro-Stock 301-400cc Open race, fell behind his seniors Jagan Kumar and KY Ahamed after surviving a contact with Sarthak who crashed. Later in the race, Chiranth went past Jagan Kumar and Ahamed for his maiden win of the season. Sarthak recovered from the fall to finish fifth.

Earlier in the day, in the Pro-Stock 301-400cc Open race, pole-sitter Sarthak led from the start, closely shadowed by Chiranth. The pair pulled away from the pack with Sarthak hanging on to a slender lead. On the last lap, the pair exchanged positions in the span of two corners, before Sarthak managed to get back in front. Going into the final turn, a right-hander, Chiranth made a desperate move, taking the risky outside line and crashed leaving Sarthak a clear winner. Chiranth managed to get up and finish 10th. Second behind Sarthak was Hyderabad's Rahil Pillarisetty (KTM Gusto Racing India), ahead of team-mate Alwin Sundar.

Chennai teenager Abdul Basim (One Racing) maintained his unbeaten run in the Novice (Stock 165cc) class by notching a fifth consecutive win, while former National champion Ryhana Bee (Motul Sparks Racing) recorded her first win of the season in the Girls (Stock 165cc) category after the race was reduced to three laps from scheduled five due to an on-track incident involving pole-sitter Ann Jennifer (Alpha Racing India) in the very first lap.

Later, Bengaluru's Savion Sabu (Mad Rabbit Racing) had his commanding 'win' snatched away and was demoted to third due to a 10-second penalty for a jump start in

the Stock 301-400cc (Novice) category. Consequently, Raj Kumar (Coimbatore, RDX Torque Racing) was elevated to first place, ahead of Shyam Sundar K (Chennai, Tachyon Motorsport).

Idemitsu Honda India Talent Cup (NSF 250R): Mohsin Paramban, the 22-year-old from Mallapuram, consolidated his top position on the leaderboard by recording his third consecutive win in the NSF 250R class after overcoming early challenge. Finishing second and third behind him were Kolhapur's Siddesh Sawant and Prakash Kamath from Bengaluru.

TVS One-Make Championship: Chennai's Manoj Yesuadiyan notched his second consecutive win in the Open (RR310) class after holding off Raj Kumar C (Coimbatore) while Ajai Xavier M (Nagercoil) finished a distant third. Likewise, Bengaluru's Harshith Bogar raced to his fifth win in as many starts in the Rookie (Apache RTR 200) class, surviving a close battle with second-placed CS Kedarnath (Tirupati).

Later, Saimah Ajaz Baig from Pune scored her second win in the Girls (Apache RTR 200) category ahead of Tiruchi's SP Shuriya and Aisvariya V (Coimbatore).

Provisional results (all 6 laps unless mentioned):

Pro-Stock 301-400cc Open (Race-1): 1. Sarthak Chavan (Pune, TVS Racing) (11mins, 03.678secs); 2. Rahil Pillarisetty (Hyderabad, KTM Gusto Racing India) (11:07.773); 3. A Alwin Sundar (Chennai, KTM Gusto Racing India) (11:08.191).

Pro-Stock 165cc Open (Race-1): 1. Chiranth Vishwanath (Bengaluru, TVS Racing) (11:39.135); 2. Ahamed KY (Chennai, TVS Racing) (11:44.485); 3. Jagan Kumar (Chennai, TVS Racing) (11:44.530).

Stock 301-400cc (Novice, Race-1):1. Raj Kumar (Coimbatore, RDX Torque Racing) (12:17.698); 2. Shyam Sundar K (Chennai, Tachyon Motorsport) (12:17.903); 3. Savion Babu (Bengaluru, Mad Rabbit Racing) (12:20.773).

Girls (Stock 165cc, Race-1): 1. Ryhana Bee (Chennai, Motul Sparks Racing) (06:43.550); 2. Rakshita Dave (Chennai, RACR Castrol Power1 Ultimate) (06:43.601); 3. Jagathishree Kumaresan (Chennai, One Racing) (06:48.292).

Novice (Stock 165cc, Race-1): 1. Abdul Basim RS (Chennai, Rockers Racing) (12:57.514); 2. Tasmai Cariappa (Mysuru, Motul Sparks Racing) (12:58.337); 3. Lal Nunsanga (Mizoram, Motul Sparks Racing) (13:08.569).

Idemitsu Honda India Talent Cup (NSF 250R): 1. Mohsin Paramban (Malappuram) (11:23.545); 2. Siddesh Sawant (Kolhapur) (11:24.755); 3. Prakash Kamat (Bengaluru) (11:24.950).

TVS One-Make Championship: Open (RR310, Race-1): 1. Manoj Yesuadiyan (Chennai) (11:48.404); 2. Raj Kumar C (Coimbatore) (11:48.894); 3. Ajai Xavier M (Nagercoil) (11:59.833).

Rookie (Apache RTR 200, Race-1): 1. Harshith V Bogar (Bengaluru) (13:19.200); 2. CS Kedarnath (Tirupati) (13:19.383); 3. Venugopalan Sundaram (Chennai) (13:45.946).

Girls (Apache RTR 200) 4 laps: 1. Saimah Ajaz Baig (Pune) (08:59.583); 2. Shuriya SP (Tiruchi) (09:01.493); 3. Aisvariya V (Coimbatore) (09:06.478).

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- Chiranth Vishwanath, Sarthak Chavan dominate Pro-Stock categories
- Good wins for Savion Sabu, Rakshitha Dave, Abdul Basim

Chennai, August 4: Two of country's best and brightest, Chiranth Vishwanath from Bengaluru and Pune's Sarthak Chavan came up with sensational rides to win a race apiece in the two premier Pro-Stock categories as the third round of the MRF MMSC fmsci Indian National Motorcycle Racing Championship 2024 – Powered by STORM concluded at the Madras International Circuit here on Sunday.

Chiranth, starting from P10, dished out a stunning ride to win the Pro-Stock 301-400cc Open race, all but destroying a high-quality field that included multiple National champion Rajini Krishnan (RACR Castrol Power1 Ultimate), riding in his 23rd season after a year's break. Later, Sarthak scrambled to a brilliant victory in the Pro-Stock 165cc Open race, starting from P5. The two 17-year-old TVS Racing team-mates, in the process, headlined a fresh crop of young riders who have been making a mark in the National Championship this season.

Two Chennai riders, 17-year-old Abdul Basim (Rockers Racing) and 15-year-old Rakshitha Dave topped in the Stock 165cc (Novice) and Girls (Stock 165cc) races, respectively, while Bengaluru's Savion Sabu, who turned 17 three days back, won the Stock 301-400cc (Novice) race with a dominating performance.

Chiranth was at his very best in the Pro-Stock 301-400cc race. He made some six places in the very first of the six-lap race and continued to progress through the field like a hot knife through butter to burst into the lead for a sensational win ahead of Rajini Krishnan and Alwin Sundar (KTM Gusto Racing India). Sarthak, starting from pole, came in eighth after stalling in the very first lap and then rejoining the race. The loss ended Sarthak's streak of five wins but he continues to provisionally lead the championship table. Chiranth leapfrogged to second spot, 39 behind Sarthak.

In the Pro-Stock 165cc Open race, pole-sitter Chiranth led in the initial laps before being overtaken by his team-mates KY Ahamed and multiple National champion Jagan Kumar, and later, by Sarthak. In the latter half of the race, Sarthak moved to the front and notched his second win of the season in this category. Finishing second behind him was Jagan Kumar and the late-charging Chiranth.

Idemitsu Honda India Talent Cup: Kolhapur's Siddesh Sawant scored his first win of the season in the NSF 250R class by a comfortable margin. Savion Sabu from

Bengaluru came in second, ahead of Hyderabad's Beedani Rajender for whom it was his first podium finish this season. Championship leader Mohsin Paramban (Mallapuram) failed to complete the race but still enjoys a 36-point cushion over AS James (Bengaluru) in the provisional standings.

TVS One-Make Championship: Coimbatore's Senthilkumar C notched his fourth win of the season to move to the top of the provisional points table in the Open (RR 310) class. CS Kedarnath from Tirupati recorded his first win in the Rookie (RTR 200) category to end the unbeaten run of Bengaluru's Harshith Bogar who failed to finish the race but continues to provisionally lead the points table on the back of his five consecutive wins this season.

Provisional results (all 6 laps unless mentioned):

Pro-Stock 301-400cc Open (Race-2): 1. Chiranth Vishwanath (Bengaluru, TVS Racing) (11mins, 03.966secs); 2. A Alwin Sundar (Chennai, KTM Gusto Racing India) (11:06.905); 3. Rajini Krishnan (Chennai, RACR Castrol Power1 Ultimate) (11:08.457).

Pro-Stock 165cc Open (Race-2): 1. Sarthak Chavan (Pune, TVS Racing) (11:40.093); 2. Jagan Kumar (Chennai, TVS Racing) (11:41.449); 3. Chiranth Vishwanath (Bengaluru, TVS Racing) (11:43.725).

Stock 301-400cc (Novice, Race-2): 1. Savion Babu (Bengaluru, Mad Rabbit Racing) (12:11.176); 2. Raj Kumar (Coimbatore, RDX Torque Racing) (12:11.258); 3. Shyam Sundar K (Chennai, Tachyon Motorsport) (12:15.525).

Girls (Stock 165cc, Race-2, 5 laps): 1. Rakshitha Dave (Chennai, RACR Castrol Power1 Ultimate) (11:02.916); 2. Jagathishree Kumaresan (Chennai, One Racing) (11:08.132); 3. Ryhana Bee (Chennai, Motul Sparks Racing) (11:08.174).

Novice (Stock 165cc, Race-2): 1. Abdul Basim RS (Chennai, Team Rockers Racing) (12:55.289); 2. Kamal Navas (Chennai, Team Rockers Racing) (13:08.895); 3. Tasmai Cariappa (Mysuru, Motul Sparks Racing) (13:08.982).

Idemitsu Honda India Talent Cup (NSF 250R) Race-2 (8 laps): 1. Siddesh Sawant (Kolhapur) (15:11.679); 2. Savion Sabu (Bengaluru) (15:14.661); 3. Beedani Rajender (Hyderabad) (15:25.784).

TVS One-Make Championship: Open (RR310, Race-2, 5 laps): 1. Senthilkumar C (Coimbatore) (09:52.643); 2. Manoj Yesuadiyan (Chennai) (09:52.644); 3. Ajai Xavier M (Nagercoil) (10:01.808).

Rookie (Apache RTR 200, Race-2): 1. CS Kedarnadh (Tirupati) (13:30.442); 2. Saranjith KM (Thrissur) (13:34.532); 3. Rajivsham AS (Tirupur) (13:41.466).

Electric RTE (4 laps): 1. Sarthak Chavan (Pune) (07:21.134); 2. Chiranth Vishwanath (Bengaluru) (07:28.085); 3. Alwin Sundar (Chennai) (07:29.421).

Media (Apache RTR 200) 5 laps: 1. Praveen Kumar (Chennai) (11:25.490); 2. Charan Karthik G (Pune) (11:34.091); 3. Pratheek Kunder (Mumbai) (11:39.208).

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- Youth brigade poised to extend domination
- Over 100 entries for 2W Racing Championship Round 3

Chennai, August 1: Two teenagers and TVS Racing team-mates, Sarthak Chavan (Pune) and Chiranth Vishwanath (Bengaluru), who have lit up the home season with their fierce rivalry, will be again going head-to-head in the third round of the MRF MMSC fmsci Indian National Motorcycle Racing Championship 2024 – Powered by STORM at the Madras International Circuit, here this weekend.

The pair, spearheading the new generation of riders, will be seen in action in four of the scheduled 19 races with over 100 entries in fray as the championship enters a critical point. The front-runners in particular, have to strike a balance between outright aggression and caution as they seek to consolidate their positions on the leaderboard.

The scenario is no different in the Idemitsu Honda India Talent Cup (NSF 250R) and the TVS One-Make Championship comprising three categories – Open (RR 310), Rookie (RTR 200) and Girls (RTR 200). Both these categories have their share of young, talented riders and the races have been nothing short of competitive.

Sarthak, fresh from a double podium finish in last weekend's FIM Asia Road Racing Championship round in Indonesia, and Chiranth have been going wheel-to-wheel through the ongoing season, especially in the Pro-Stock 165cc Open class, providing edge-of-the-seat excitement.

In fact, the duo has all but overshadowed seasoned campaigners who have just about kept pace with the two young guns, but reconciled to passing the baton to Gen Next. For all that, multiple National champion and the "King of 165", Jagan Kumar, probably in his swansong season, heads the points table in the Pro-Stock 165cc Open class with two wins from four starts.

However, the Pune youngster has been in a league of his own in the other premier class, the Pro-Stock 301-400cc Open where he has won all four races across two rounds, displaying stunning pace. Chiranth too holds out much promise and is eager to score his first win of the season.

Meanwhile, another 17-year-old, Abdul Basim from Chennai, has dominated the Novice category, notching four wins on the trot and appears primed to continue his win-spree.

Similarly, two Chennai riders, Jagathishree Kumaresan, 20, and 15-year-old Rakshitha Dave, with two wins apiece, have enjoyed success in the Girls (Stock 165cc) category that contains a couple of experienced former National champions, Ryhana Bee and Ann Jennifer.

The grid for the Stock 301-400cc (Novice) has been attracting nearly 30 entries and the competition is fierce. Kaushik Subaiah Ganesan from Chennai has emerged as the top contender with three wins from four starts.

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• Sarthak Chavan, Chiranth Vishwanath grab pole positions

Chennai, August 2: Teenage sensations and TVS Racing team-mates Sarthak Chavan from Pune and Bengaluru's Chiranth Vishwanath expectedly snatched pole positions in the two premier Pro-Stock category to kick-start their campaign in the third round of the MRF MMSC fmsci Indian National Motorcycle Racing Championship 2024 – Powered by STORM at the Madras International Circuit, here on Friday.

Sarthak came up with a late blitz to take P1 in the Pro-Stock 301-400cc Open category, followed by Chiranth. The result was reversed in the Pro-Stock 165cc Open class.

Others who qualified for pole positions in the National championship were: Abdul Basim (Rockers Racing) – Novice (Stock 165cc), Kaushik Subbaiah Ganesan (RACR Castrol Power1 Ultimate) – 301-400cc (Novice) and Ann Jennifer (Alpha Racing India) – Girls (Stock 165cc) categories.

Malappuram's Mohsin Paramban took pole position in the Idemitsu Honda India Talent Cup (NSF 250R) while Senthilkumar from Coimbatore (RR310 Open) and Pune's Saimah Ajaz Baig (Girls, RTR 200) topped their respective grids in the TVS One-Make Championship.

Sarthak will have his arch-rival Chiranth on the front row on the Pro-Stock 301-400cc Open grid along with Chennai's Alwin Sundar (KTM Gusto Racing) who caused a stir by taking P3, ahead of some big names, including multiple National champion Rajini Krishnan who returns to action after skipping the previous two rounds.

In fact, the 21-year old Alwin, winner of the Novice championship in 2021, was on provisional pole with about two minutes of the session left before Sarthak and Chiranth delivered their flying laps for P1 and P2, respectively. "I was looking for a top-5, but P3 is a surprise since my bike is still under development," said an elated Alwin.

Later, Chiranth came up with a brilliant flying lap to finish on P1 ahead of Sarthak with last year's champion KY Ahamed from Chennai completing a front-row sweep for TVS Racing in the Pro-Stock 165cc Open category.

The results (Qualifying – top 3 best laps):

Pro-Stock 301-400cc Open: 1. Sarthak Chavan (Pune, TVS Racing) (01min, 48.373secs); 2. Chiranth Vishwanath (Bengaluru, TVS Racing) (01:48.477); 3. A Alwin Sundar (Chennai, KTM Gusto Racing) (01:49.598).

Pro-Stock 165cc Open: 1. Chiranth Vishwanath (Bengaluru, TVS Racing) (01:52.676); 2. Sarthak Chavan (Pune, TVS Racing) (01:54.078); 3. Ahamed KY (Chennai, TVS Racing) (01:54.531).

Stock 301-400cc (Novice): 1. Kaushik Subbaiah Ganesan (Chennai, RACR Castrol Power1 Ultimate) (01:59.797); 2. Vysakh Sobhan (Chennai, Speedup Racing) (02: 01.032); 3. Raj Kumar (Coimbatore, RDX Torque Racing) (02:01.236).

Girls (Stock 165cc): 1. Ann Jennifer AS (Chennai, Alpha Racing India) (02:09.937); 2. Ryhana Bee (Chennai, Motul Sparks Racing) (02:10.941); 3. Nadine Faith Balaji (Chennai, Alpha Racing India) (02:11.143).

Novice (Stock 165cc): 1. Abdul Basim (Chennai, Rockers Racing) (02:07.576); 2. Tasmai Cariappa (Mysuru, Motul Sparks Racing) (02:09.004); 3. CS Kedarnath (Tirupati, Alpha Racing India) (02:09.763).

TVS One-Make Championship – Open (RR 310): 1. Senthilkumar C (Coimbatore) (01:54.805); 2. Manoj Yesuadiyan (Chennai) (01:55.217); 3. Raj Kumar C (Coimbatore) (01:57.071).

Girls (Apache RTR 200): 1. Saimah Ajaz Baig (Pune) (02:12.719); 2. Sarah Khan (Mumbai) (02:14.836); 3. Aisvariya V (Coimbatore) (02:17.427).

Idemitsu Honda India Talent Cup (NSF 250R): 1. Mohsin Paramban (Malappuram) (01:51.863); 2. Prakash Kamat (Bengaluru) (1:52.217); 3. Siddesh Sawant (Kolhapur) (01:52.917).

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