Anu rana

1. **How did your interest in car rallying start? At what age you started? How long you have been doing it?**

  It is only being three years that i have been rallying.

1. **Did you straight away start with car rallying? If not please explain to me what kind of racing you did first and how you switched to this?**

*Made my racing debut at Speed Sprint 2013, Jaipur.* *Stood First @ Jaipur Speed Sprint  06’’ 2013*

1. **How dangerous do you consider the rallying in the likes Himalaya and Shimla and so on? What precautions do you take?**

 Driving in Himalaya & other hills is a completely different ballgame as it requires completely different set of training & conditioning of your body and mind. The terrain keep getting steeper with every turn and you will not know when tarmac road will turn into broken tarmac or into loose rocks or even sand which makes the drive tougher with distance. For a Racer like me, the terrain looks tempting but you should never forget the limits of your car.

1. **These are usually considered to be men's sports. So what made you to choose this path?**

These are old myths and no longer hold any values. We live in Global world and have come long way to achieve all this… I agree we still have to move up in the ladder but Motor sports in no longer only Men’s sports. Infact it was my Uncle who motivated and supported me to persue motor sports.

1. **How have you enjoyed it so far?**

Last three years have been an amazing learning experience, i have rallied to different parts of our country which i otherwise wouldn't even have explored.

1. **Will you also recommend other women to take similar kinds of sport?**

  I will completely recommend to other women & Girls.

1. **Do you do this as your full-time profession or part-time?**

 Currently Rallying is my passion but not profession. Soon I am planning to make it full-time profession as well. In fact my husband –Mr. Jasmohan Singh (In Rally circle, people know him as Jassi) is completely into Motor sports. Sooner or later you will see me as well.

1. **What is you short term and long term plans?**

As I mentioned I keen to make my passion as profession. So my Short term plan is to prepare for Maruti Suzuki Raid 2016 & long-term plan is to make motor sports as my profession.

1. **How long do you want to continue your racing career?**

With my Friends & Family’s blessing…. Till the time I can Push myself and my vehicle…..

1. **What is the main highlight of your racing career?**

Dakshin  Dare 2016 -3nd in T2 and ladies Team winner.

Sajoba 2016 ladies Team winner.

 Raid de Himalaya 2015-2nd in T2, and ladies Team winner.

Dakshin  Dare 2015 -2nd in T2

Agra Taj Challange 2015 – 2nd in couple category.

Royal Rajasthan Rally 2014 -2nd in Couple Category

Rally Of Jaypore (India National TSD Rally Championship)- 2nd in Couple Category

 Heat Stroke Churu -1st in All ladies Team

 SJOBA Rally 2014-1st in All ladies Team

 Maruti Suzuki Women Car Rally 2014 Delhi 2nd in Pro Category

Speed Sprint 2013, --1st in ladies category

1. **How excited are you about the Maruti Suzuki Raid De Himalaya? What are your targets this time?**

This will be my third Raid. Finishing raid is an achievement in itself but this time  I also Target to win.

1. **Please tell me a bit about your personal life and family?**

 My parents, my Uncle encouraged me to get into Motor sports. My Mother supports me emotionally where my father, husband & uncle guides me on technical aspects. I am blessed to be married to a Man who shares the same passion. In fact at home there are times where we only discuss about tracks & races :-)..

**Apart from family and friends,  my special thank to my team Harjee Rallying which is owned by Mr Anil Wadia , who has been continuously  supporting me and my navigator sister  Poonam Rana is the biggest strength during the event.**

1. **Also what is your role with Q2A media and how long have you been working there?**

I work as Manager Finance at Q2A media. My profile involves preparing budgets and designing business plans, strategies for the company. I have been working with Q2A from last 6 years.

1. **How do you manage time from work to racing?**

 I am blessed to have Manager who not only understand and respect my passion for Rallying & Motor sports but also support me during the events.

1. **Is it true that some days on Friday you come straight from work to racing and one Monday you go directly to work? How do you handle it?**

Oh yes!  Many times J the event starts on Friday & I leave directly from my work taking ½ day leave- Head directly to event, get my car’s security done. If its two days event, it gets over by Sunday, I leave directly for my work on Monday morning J you have to manage these small glitches to carry on your passion.

1. **What are your other hobbies?**

I like to play badminton, travelling, making candles, off-roading with my husband and more and more...