RAJIV GRABS FOUR POINTS IN RACE 2 OF ARRC

Buriram, Thailand: Indian rider Rajiv Sethu on Sunday grabbed four points after finishing 12th in the final race of Round 3 FIM Asia Road Racing Championship here as IDEMIT-SU Honda Racing India Team crossed the 20-point mark for first time. The 21-year-old Rajiv is ranked 14th overall with 22 points, while the Indian team also has 22 points and is now in Top 7 Teams of AP 250 class Championship. Team-mate Senthil, however, ended the race with no gain at the 20th spot out of 25 riders. He is ranked 21st with 2 points in his debut season. Boosted by his maiden third row start from 7th, Rajiv made a good start overtaking 2 riders at start line itself. For the next 5, Rajiv was in top 9 riding in less than 1 second gap. In turn 4 of lap 6, Indonesian rider Rafid had a high-side and Rajiv exceeded track limit to save himself from crash slipping to 10th. From 7th lap onwards, Rajiv, Rafid and three more riders fought to maintain their posi-

tions. It was on the slipstream

in home straight of lap 9 that

Rajiv emerged 12th. — PTI