

# Double for Sethu, Ravikumar, Abhimanyu

Maiden win for Ryhana Bee in girls' championship

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Deepak Ravikumar (TVS Racing) and Rajiv Sethu (Idemitsu Honda Ten10 Racing) completed a double apiece in contrasting styles on the concluding day of the second round of the MRF MMSC FMSCI Indian National motorcycle racing championship at the MMRT here on Sunday.

Ravikumar was in a league of his own posting an authoritative win by a country mile in the premium Pro-Stock 301-400cc race, his second of the weekend, while behind him, Amarnath Menon (Team Alisha Abdullah) denied TVS Racing another 1-2 by pipping K.Y. Ahamed.

Sethu repeated his race one win from Saturday over TVS Racing's Jagan Kumar for a double in the Pro-Stock 165cc class.

After exchanging leads with Jagan through the race, Sethu made a heart-stopping pass on the last corner of the last lap to pull off a superb win while Ahamed scrambled to third spot.

Bengaluru-based Anish Shetty (Idemitsu Honda Ten10 Racing) survived a close fight with Mathan Kumar (Erula Racing) to win the Pro-Stock 200-300cc race with Abhishek Vasudev, also from Bengaluru, a dis-



**On the podium:** Deepak Ravikumar, centre, who scored a double in the Pro-Stock 301-400cc category, flanked by K.Y. Ahamed, left and Amarnath Menon. ■ SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT

tant third. Meanwhile, defending champion in the Girls (Stock 165cc) category, Ann Jennifer suffered a rare defeat as she finished third behind her Sparks Racing team-mate Ryhana Bee and Alisha Abdullah (Team Alisha Abdullah) in the five-lap race.

It was Bee's maiden win in the championship as she made capital of a favourable situation that had pole-sitter Jennifer fumbling at the start and then getting caught up in

traffic.

While Bee disappeared in the distance, Jennifer could not pass Alisha and decided to hold position with an eye on the championship points.

**The results (Provisional):**

**National Championship: Pro-Stock 301-400cc (Race two, eight laps):** 1. Deepak Ravikumar (TVS Racing) (15mins, 31.358secs); 2. Amarnath Menon (Team Alisha Abdullah) (15:45.432); 3. K.Y. Ahamed (TVS Racing) (15:45.558).

**Pro-Stock 200-300cc (Race two, eight laps):** 1. Anish Shetty

(Idemitsu Honda Ten10 Racing) (16:22.798); 2. Mathan Kumar (Erula Racing) (16:22.876); 3. Abhishek V (Idemitsu Honda Ten10 Racing) (16:55.918).

**Pro-Stock 165cc (Race two, eight laps):** 1. Rajiv Sethu (Idemitsu Honda Ten10 Racing) (16:07.033); 2. Jagan Kumar (TVS Racing) (16:07.152); 3. KY Ahamed (TVS Racing) (16:09.355).

**Novice - Stock 165cc (Race two, eight laps):** 1. Abhimanyu Gautam (Sparks Racing) (13:10.877); 2. Venkatesan I (Team Motomania) (13:13.508);



Ryhana Bee ■

3. Mohan Babu P (Team Rockers Racing) (13:15.079).

**Girls (Stock 165cc, five laps):** 1. A Ryhana Bee (Sparks Racing) (11:11.579); 2. Alisha Abdullah (Team Alisha Abdullah Racing) (11:20.990); 3. Ann Jennifer AS (Sparks Racing) (11:21.078).

**One-Make Championship: Idemitsu Honda India Talent Cup - Honda NSF 250R (Race two, eight laps):** 1. Varoon Sadasivam (Chennai) (14:53.899); 2. Kavin Samaar Quintal (Chennai) (15:03.271); 3. Geoffrey Emmanuel (Chennai) (15:32.943).

**Honda CBR 150 (Race two, Six laps):** 1. Lal Nunsanga (Aizwal) (13:28.925); 2. Lalrinzuala Tlau (Aizwal) (13:29.167); 3. Samuel Martin (Bengaluru) (13:30.521).

**TVS Open (Apache RTR 310, Race two, eight laps):** 1. Vivek Pillai (Chennai) (16:01.298); 2. Karthik Mateti (Hyderabad) (16:16.321); 3. Soorya PM (Chennai) (16:18.106).

**Novice (Apache RTR 200, Race two, six laps):** 1. Venkatesan (Chennai) (13:13.644); 2. Manoj Y (Chennai) (13:14.210); 3. Lakshmipathy Balaji (Vellore) (13:15.231).