Qualifying Report
2025/11/22　Rd-12 SUZUKA circuit
Weather: Fine　Temperature: 16℃,　22cars

With a one and half-hour interval after QF for Rd11, QF for Rd12 started.

The temperature rose by 5 degrees during this interval.

Makino and Ohta of DOCOMO TEAM DANDELION RACING changed their set-ups slightly looking at the condition change, and also decided to execute a one-lap warm-up run instead of 2-lap in QF.

Makino in GrpA went on-track with the used tires for a check-run, and then went for an attack with new tires with 5 min and 30 sec remaining.

His time was behind Iwasa's in Sec1 and Sec2, and made it to QF2 in 2nd.

Ohta in GrpB also went on-track with the used tires, and made an attack after a one-lap warm-up run.

In spite of recording the fastest time overall in Sec2, he lost time in the latter half sectors. He moved on to QF2 in second by .047 sec.

In the following QF2, the temperature dropped down a little, and the wind shifted above Home Straight.

The both drivers adjusted their set-ups and went on-track with 5 min remaining.

They had better feelings in the first half sectors, however, could not reach the top time. Makino finished in 5th, and Ohta did in 4th.

#5: Tadasuke Makino Position 5th (QF1 GrpA 2nd, QF2 5th)

I could feel the tire grip entirely and the attack went well.

However, especially on the first half of the track, the two cars of Team MUGEN were at a higher level than ours, and this fact left us issues.

It's going to be a busy format with the Rd11 race this afternoon and two more races tomorrow, which I have to manage with the team. We will fight tenaciously.

#6: Kakunoshin Ohta Position 4th (QF1 GrpB 2nd, QF2 4th)

I had a good feeling of my car in QF1, and tried to get a better feeling for QF2.

However, the performance of the car was not as good as we expected.

I'm afraid that our cars were inferior to the competitors' in QF, and we will work on that in the off-season.

I will focus on the Rd11 race this afternoon and the two races tomorrow.