

## **CHANDHOK FIRED UP FOR THE NEW SEASON**

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India's fastest teenager **Karun Chandhok** starts his campaign in the British Formula 3 championship this weekend at Donington Park in England. The Madras born driver has re-signed with ' T-Sport ', his team from last year and is looking forward to the season ahead.

*“ With a years experience under my belt I'm really fired up for this season. We were contenders for podiums all the second half of last year and there's no reason why we can't fight for wins and the championship this year. ”*, said Chandhok. *“ We've done over 3000 km of testing so far this year on various circuits. It's all a bit more comfortable this year for sure because I know where I'm going. It feels good to have done some proper testing and not just going round and round learning the circuits !! The team and I have tried a few new set-ups this year and I think that at some of the circuits where we really struggled last year, we will be a lot better this time around ”* he added.

Commenting on the drivers he'll be up against in this years scholarship class championship Karun said, *“ This year will be as hard as the last I think. There are some really good drivers out there like my team-mate Steven Kane (junior Formula Ford champion and McLaren-Autosport award winner) , Christian England ( runner up in Formula Ford championship) and Ernesto Viso ( Formula Renault front runner ) who have all been quick in testing so far. It's really going to be down to who can perform consistently every time out and score those all important points ”*.

T-Sport team boss **Russell Eacott** is also looking forward to the season with optimism; *“ The Karun we have this year is totally different to the one we had at the beginning of last year. He's worked hard to get to the level where he is today and I'm optimistic that as the season goes on he will be a strong contender for race wins and will be fighting for the championship.”*

Karun is once again backed primarily by JK Tyres and Kingfisher. He is also supported by UCAL Mikuni, Rolon Chains and PARX. This weekend's action consists of testing on Thursday (the 3<sup>rd</sup>) followed by qualifying on Saturday and the 2 races held on Sunday (the 6<sup>th</sup>).