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Bonus Ep 2: Leo Igwe #FreeMubarakBala

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This podcast gives an emergency update on the plight of Mubarak Bala, president of the [Humanist Association of Nigeria](#) (HAN). Bala was arrested in Kaduna, northern Nigeria, by the police on 28 April, effectively for blasphemy against Islam.

Although he has not yet been formally charged, he remains in custody, probably in Kano state, which is under Sharia law. He appears to be without access to a lawyer or contact with friends or family.

Leo Igwe, founder of the HAN, speaks to Emma Park about what has happened to Bala, why his situation is so dangerous, and what the international community can do to support him. As this emergency podcast has been done at short notice, we apologise for any dip in quality.

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