

UoN SCHOLARS AT RISK



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Who we are:

Scholars at Risk is an international organisation which runs through a network of universities with the aim of protecting academic freedom. SAR has been running for the last 20 years and continues to promote freedom of expression in areas of the world where it is under threat. We are the SAR UoN Student Advocacy Group and over the next year, we will be running various events aimed at raising awareness of SAR's work, and the two cases we have chosen to represent. We ask that you follow our work and join in on our events to help protect and promote academic thought and freedom of expression.

PATRICK GEORGE ZAKI

Mr Zaki is an Egyptian postgraduate student at the University of Bologna, Italy. He is currently imprisoned in Egypt as a result of his human right research. Zaki was arrested as part of a protest crackdown in Egypt and has been held without fair trial since February 2020. Judicial officials in Egypt have extended his detention several times and are yet to publicly disclose sufficient charges or evidence to suggest grounds for his arrest. It is also believed that Zaki has suffered torture since his arrest.



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GOKARAKONDA NAGA SAIBABA

Professor Saibaba is an English Literature scholar at the University of Delhi and a human rights activist. He has been wrongfully convicted under the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act as a result of his activism. Saibaba suffers from several health conditions and is not being provided with sufficient medical treatment in prison. Since his initial arrest in 2014, his health has rapidly deteriorated. Due to the threat of COVID 19, it is more important than ever that Saibaba gets the medical care he needs.



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