THE COST OF SPEAKING OUT IN BAHRAIN

SINCE 2012, BAHRAIN'S COURTS HAVE COLLECTIVELY SENTENCED AT LEAST 40 INTERNET USERS TO MORE THAN 842 MONTHS IN PRISON FOR EXERCISING THEIR RIGHT TO FREE EXPRESSION. NABEEL RAJAB IS ONE OF THEM.

WHO IS NABEEL RAJAB?

- **DEFENDER** OF HUMAN RIGHTS FOR OVER 20 YEARS
- **LEADER** OF NON-VIOLENT PROTESTS IN BAHRAIN'S 2011 UPRISING
- **PRESIDENT** OF BAHRAIN CENTRE FOR HUMAN RIGHTS (BCHR) — A MEMBER OF IFEX SINCE 2007
- **BUSINESSMAN AND FATHER** OF TWO

NABEEL'S VOICE HAS BEEN CRIMINALISED

HE FACES CHARGES FOR:

REPORTING

ON TORTURE AT BAHRAIN'S JAU PRISON

CHARGE

"INSULTING A STATUTORY BODY"

TWEETING

ABOUT BAHRAIN AND SAUDI ARABIA'S WAR IN YEMEN

CHARGE

"DISSEMINATING FALSE RUMOURS IN TIMES OF WAR"

PUBLISHING

LETTER FROM PRISON IN NEW YORK TIMES

CHARGE

"INTENTIONALLY BROADCASTING FALSE NEWS AND MALICIOUS RUMOURS ABROAD IMPAIRING THE PRESTIGE OF THE STATE"

PUBLISHING

LETTER FROM PRISON IN LE MONDE

CHARGE

"SPREADING FALSE NEWS"

SENTENCE

HE IS FACING UP TO 18 YEARS IN PRISON IF CONVICTED

AS OF 15 MAY 2017, HE HAS ALREADY SPENT:

927 DAYS UNDER TRAVEL BAN SINCE 31 OCT 2014*

336 DAYS IN PRE-TRIAL DETENTION SINCE 13 JUNE 2016

37 DAYS IN HOSPITAL SINCE 8 APRIL 2017

* NABEEL HAS MISSED 4 OUT OF 5 IFEX GENERAL MEETINGS WITH HIS COLLEAGUES.

OVER 2 YEARS HE HAS SUFFERED

3 ARRESTS

4 EMERGENCY VISITS TO HOSPITAL WHILST IN PRE-TRIAL DETENTION

18 HEARING POSTPONEMENTS AND DELAYS

9 MONTHS IN SOLITARY CONFINEMENT

IN SOLITARY BUT NOT ALONE

119 IFEX MEMBERS AROUND THE WORLD STAND BEHIND NABEEL AND DEMAND HIS IMMEDIATE AND UNCONDITIONAL RELEASE

STAND WITH @NABEELRAJAB BY TWEETING AND SHARING.

#BAHRAIN MUST IMMEDIATELY & UNCONDITIONALLY #FREENABEEL