

## **Biography**

Okunlola Olalekan Charles was born on 11<sup>th</sup> of November 1983 in Ile-Ife, a town in Osun State Southwest of Nigeria. Hails from Oyo State, Southwest of Nigeria and he had his university degrees at the Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile-Ife, Osun state, Nigeria.

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