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ALOR SETAR: A woman was briefly detained over a video purportedly showing her three-year-old son being forced to smoke syabu in a car in Sungai Petani.

The boy's urine test has since come back negative.

Kedah CID chief Senior Asst Comm Mior Faridalathrash Wahid said the woman, 27, had her statement recorded after she turned herself in at the Kuala Muda district police headquarters at 1.30pm yesterday.

The woman, he said, was then released because she was eight months' pregnant, adding that police were still looking for her partner who had gone into hiding.

"According to the boy's mother, the recording was done to hurt the feelings of her ex-husband after they divorced last year.

"She claimed that the pipe which the boy was holding in the video was empty and did not contain any sort of drugs," he said.

It was earlier reported that video clips of a young boy being forced to smoke what was believed to be syabu had gone viral.

In the clip, a man, believed to be the woman's partner, could be heard repeatedly asking whether the boy liked it or not.

The boy, who appeared to be high, then replied that he liked it.

In another clip, the boy, teary-eyed, was seen sitting naked on the floor while a man was heard threatening to force him to eat rice.

Based on the posting on Tuesday, it is learnt that the incident could have taken place in Taman Gurun Jaya, Sungai Petani.

The boy, said SAC Mior Faridalathrash, was now warded at the Sultan Abdul Halim Hospital for a check-up, adding that his urine test was negative.

He said the boy would later be sent to the state Welfare Department, adding that his paternal grandmother, 53, from Gurun had lodged a police report.

"She fears for her grandchild's safety and wellbeing after being shown the video clips by one of her grandchildren.

"She wants to claim custody of the boy from his mother," said SAC Mior Faridalathrash.



Tested negative: A video grab of the toddler holding a drug smoking apparatus.