

## Headlines:

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## Details:

### **Parents Shocked as UK Schools Teach 6-10yo Kids to Touch their 'Private Parts' in Beds and Showers**

Parents in Britain were outraged after more than 240 primary schools introduced lessons on "self-stimulation" for children as young as six as part of their sex education program. A teaching manual, published by the Mail on Sunday, instructs how to teach children aged six to ten about "*the rules of self-stimulation.*" The lessons are part of the new 'All About Me' program rolled out in more than 240 primary schools. Some parents were shocked by the program, saying that children of such young ages should not be exposed to mature topics like masturbation. "This sexualisation of our children is just totally inappropriate," one parent commented. "They are calling it self-touching and they won't use the term masturbation, but when you read it that's exactly what they're talking about." Parents who disagree with this type of sex education took their children from school when it was taught.

### **China Footage Reveals Hundreds of Blindfolded and Shackled Prisoners**

Drone footage has emerged showing police leading hundreds of blindfolded and shackled men from a train in what is believed to be a transfer of inmates in Xinjiang. The video, posted anonymously on YouTube, shows what appear to be Uighur or other minorities wearing blue and yellow uniforms, with cleanly shaven heads, their eyes covered, sitting in rows on the ground and later being led away by police. Prisoners in China are often transferred with handcuffs and masks covering their faces. Nathan Ruser, a researcher with the Australian Strategic Policy Institute's international cyber policy centre, used clues in the footage, including landmarks and the position of the sun, to verify the video, which he believes was shot at a train station west of Korla in south-east Xinjiang in August last year.

### **Arab Spring 2.0**

In cities across Egypt, people have taken to the streets in a series of anti-government protests. In response, Egyptian authorities reportedly blocked access to BBC Arabic, CNN and social media sites that shared news of the demonstrations. Since the army overthrew Mohamed Morsi in 2013, paving the way for al-Sisi to become president, Egypt has witnessed few unauthorised protests. Accordingly, two consecutive days of demonstrations are remarkable, given that it could destabilise the country if they grow bigger. The protests occurred after a Spain-based Egyptian businessman released a series of videos that went viral, accusing al-Sisi of living in luxury while most people in Egypt barely eke out an existence. But Sisi's stewardship of the country has gone from bad to worse as he has failed to deal with the economy and has resorted to using an iron grip.