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SAFETY ISSUES IN SHIPYARDS AMONG YOUNG LABOURERS IN THE SCRAP METAL INDUSTRY

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Hip breaking and scrap metal industry is present in the Philippines. It is a very hazardous work. The picture depicts young men workers in this type of industry. The young boys do not wear safety protective equipments and sometimes do not wear any upper clothing. They work in unhygienic environment, and are exposed to fumes from the arc welding. Safety and health problems include cuts, lacerations of body parts, low back pain and musculoskeletal disorders, respiratory illnesses, and susceptibility to communicable diseases.