Valuation of Accounts Receivable

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Valuation of Accounts Receivable-Defined

Valuation of Accounts Receivable means to determine 'The Net Realizable Value of Accounts Receivable' to be reported into financial statements.

Net Realizable Value

The part of the total amount of accounts receivable that is estimated be to collectible is 'Net Realizable Value'



The part that is estimated to be uncollectible

Allowance for

bad debts

The part that is estimated to be collectible

Net Realizable

Value

Accounts ReceivableRs.20Less: Allowance for Bad Debts(20)Nat Deali able MaleDeali

Net Realizable Value

<u>(20,000)</u>

Rs.180,000

Alternate Terms for Bad Debts



Approaches to Estimate Bad Debts



Balance Sheet Approach

Under this approach, % of estimated bad debts is applied at year-end accounts *receivable* and current balance of allowance for bad debts is **CONSIDERED** Accounting with Jaweed Hassan-ACMA, MBA

Income Statement Approach

Under this approach, % of estimated bad debts is applied at 'Credit Sales' and current balance of allowance for bad debts is 'IGNORED'.



Why is balance sheet approach called 'Balance Sheet Approach' and why is % of estimated bad debts applied on accounts receivable under this approach?

Why is income statement approach called 'Income Statement Approach' and why is % of estimated bad debts applied on credit sales in this approach?





Why, under balance sheet approach, current balance of allowance for bad debts is considered?

Why, under income statement approach, current balance of allowance for bad debts is not considered?

