

3 Discuss the role played by Maulana Abul Kalam Azad
10 in the freedom struggle of India.

ms Introduction

15 Maulana Abul Kalam Azad was the youngest president of the Indian National Congress and the first education minister of India.

20 He was a self taught student and remarkable journalist and brought rationality through his writing to the literal interpretation of Islamic texts. He was an Islamic scholar and an ardent Indian nationalist at the same time.

Role

- In 1912 he published a weekly by the name Al-Hilal to spread the ideas of independence
- He joined Congress in 1920 when Gandhiji launched Non cooperation movement in conjunction with Khilafat movement. He supported gandhian ideals of peaceful resistance, Satyagraha and Swadeshi
- 30 He staunchly opposed communalistic policies of the British Empire and was committed to building bridges b/w hindus and muslims
- He opposed separatist ideology of M.A Jinnah and termed it a death knell for Indian muslims
- 35 He was imprisoned during quit India movement from 1942 to 1945.
- He led a delegation to Shimla Conference to break the

embrace between Muslim and Congress though he failed in his efforts.

Conclusion

5 Maulana Azad was a true nationalist, a true believer of secularism and supporter of a united India and follower of Gandhian values.

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what are Ponzi schemes? Examine why they are considered as such a big menace? Discuss the provisions of Banning of Unregulated Deposit Schemes Bill 2018? (250 words)

15 Introduction

The Finance Minister in his budget 2017-2018 speech had said that the government will introduce this legislation as a part of Clean India Initiative to protect small investors.

What are Ponzi Schemes.

25 Ponzi Schemes or Chit funds are illicit deposit schemes run by various companies outside the radar of the government. They lure customer with the promises of huge return on the investment and then run away with the money.

Implications

30 Social aspect

35 Society:- Companies/institutions running such schemes exploit existing regulatory gaps & lack of strict administrative measures to dupe poor and gullible people of their hard earned savings

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Political - With such huge level of scams happening under the nose of government. People's faith in the govt, allegiance to it is destroyed.

Economic - This is sheer fraud and poor people are partaked with their hard earned money with no fault of theirs.

Proposed bill. (Substantive banning clause)

- Ban on unregulated deposit schemes (Ex ante)
- Deterrent punishment for promoting or regulating deposit taking scheme
- Stringent punishment in case of fraudulent repayment to depositors
- designation of competent authority by state govt to ensure repayment in case of default
- powers and functions of competent authority i.e. attachment of assets for repayment of money.
- designation of courts to oversee repayments

Unique features

- Bans deposit takers from promoting, operating, issuing advertisements or accepting deposits of any Unregulated Deposit Scheme.

Ex ante offence - 'Wants of people'
results of a particular action, or series of actions, are forecast in advance.

- Clear cut time line for attachment of assets

- enables for creation of an online data base for collection and sharing of information on deposit taking activities in the country

- defines deposits and deposit takers comprehensively
- Implementation by State government.

Q. What do you understand by Direct Sorbent Injection Technology (DSI). Discuss the advantages and feasibility for Indian Industry (250 words)

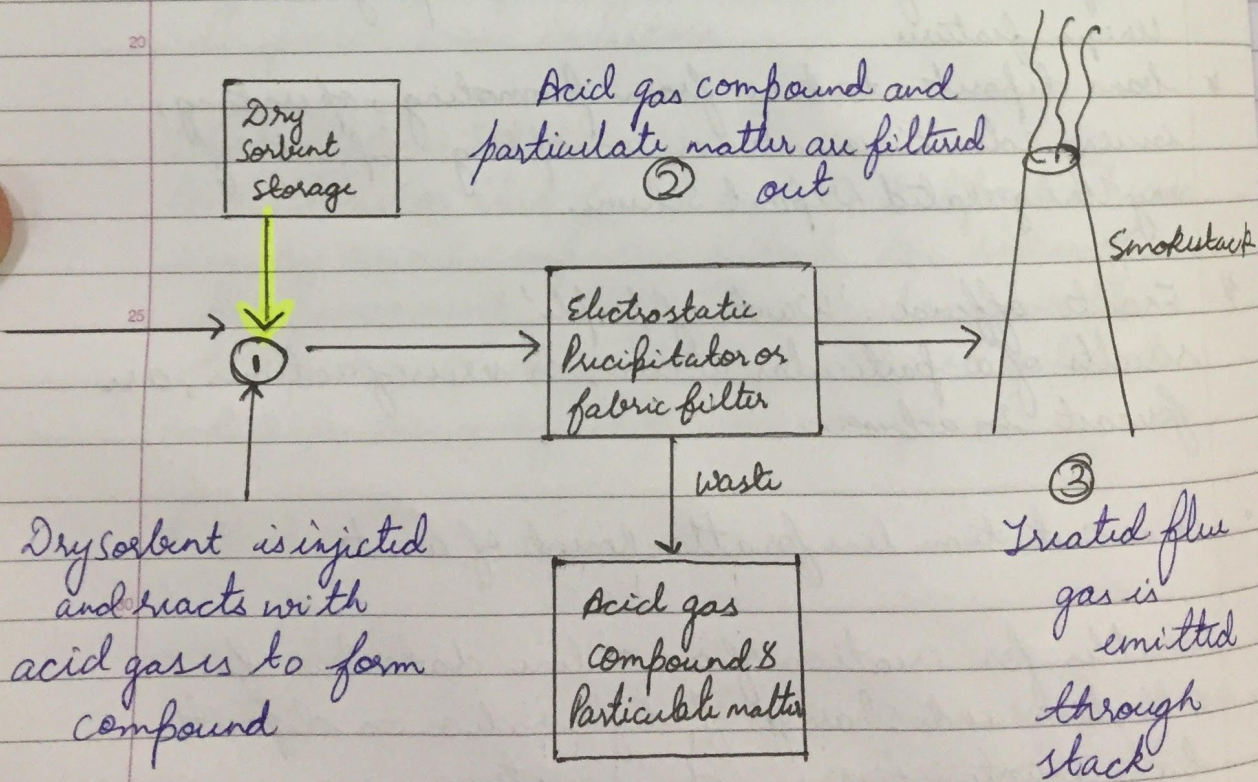
Introduction.

With 9 Indian cities topping the list of 10 most polluted cities in the world (CNBC). It's high time that government takes remedial measure. A paradigm shift towards greener technologies is the need of the hour.

DSI is a practice of injecting dry alkaline mineral into flue gas stream to reduce acid gas emission.

NTPC Dadri has taken the lead to install DSI technology in wake of CPCB's orders.

Advantages Key aspects



Advantages

- The green technology finds its application in all coal powered industry (thermal power plants, smelting plants, commercial industries)
- low capital cost
- wide range of favorable operation conditions
- time saver in installation and commissioning.
- lower operational cost as sodium bicarbonate is easily available in India which is used as sorbent

Feasibility

higher operational cost of regent is the only bone of contention.

Conclusion :

Higher operational cost cannot be higher than the environmental cost. It time that government should do all what necessary (incentivise, punish and promote) green tech and punish the non compliance.

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