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Dated, the 20/02/2025

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Er. Kumuda Bandhu Sahu

- President

Sri Prasanta Kumar Sahoo

Member (Finance)
Co-Opted Member

Sri Krupasindhu Padhee

Complaint Case No. BGR/103/2025 Case No. Name & Address Consumer No Contact No. 912322111584 7750807324 Sri Naresh Sahu, 2 Complainant/s For Sri Ratan Sahu. At-Dumerpadar, Po-Pandamunda, Via-Patnagarh, Dist-Bolangir Division Name 3 Respondent/s S.D.O (Elect.), TPWODL, Patnagarh Titilagarh Electrical Division, TPWODL, Titilagarh 4 **Date of Application** 18.02.2025 2. Billing Disputes 1. Agreement/Termination 3. Classification/Reclassi-4. Contract Demand / Connected fication of Consumers Load 6. Installation of Equipment 5. Disconnection Reconnection of Supply apparatus of Consumer 8. Metering 7. Interruptions 5 In the matter of-10. Quality of Supply & GSOP 9. New Connection 11. Security Deposit / Interest 12. Shifting of Service Connection & equipments Consumer 14. Voltage Fluctuations 13. Transfer Ownership 15. Others (Specify) -Section(s) of Electricity Act, 2003 involved 6 OERC Distribution (Conditions of Supply) Code,2019; OERC Regulation(s) 1. 155, 157 Clause(s) with Clauses OERC Distribution (Licensee's Standard of Performance) Regulations,2004; Clause OERC Conduct of Business) Regulations,2004; Clause Odisha Grid Code (OGC) Regulation, 2006; Clause OERC (Terms and Conditions for Determination of Tariff) Regulations,2004; Clause Others Date(s) of Hearing 8 18.02.2025 9 Date of Order 20.02.2025 Respondent Others 10 Order in favour of Complainant 11 Details of Compensation Nil awarded, if any.

CO-OPTED MEMBER

MEMBER (Fin.)

PRESIDENT

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Place of Hearing:

Camp Court at Jhulenbar

Appeared:

BOLANGIR

TPWOC

For the Complainant

-Sri Naresh Sahu

For the Respondent

-Sri Debadatta Mahapatra, S.D.O (Elect.), Patnagarh

Complaint Case No. BGR/103/2025

Sri Naresh Sahu, For Sri Ratan Sahu, At-Dumerpadar, Po-Pandamunda, Via-Patnagarh, Dist-Bolangir Con. No. 912322111584 COMPLAINANT

-Versus-

Sub-Divisional Officer, Electrical Sub-Division, TPWODL, Patnagarh **OPPOSITE PARTY**

ORDER (Dt.20.02.2025)

HISTORY OF THE CASE

The Complaint petition filed by the representative of the consumer Shri Naresh Sahu who is a LT-Dom. consumer availing a CD of 0.5 KW. He has disputed about the average bill raised from Feb-Mar/2001 to Sep-2016. He has filed his grievances for revision of bill. The complainant needs suitable bill revision for the said period.

The case was heard in detail.

PROCEEDING OF HEARING DATED: 18.02.2025

SUBMISSION OF COMPLAINANT DURING HEARING

The complainant is a consumer under ESO-II section of Patnagarh Sub-division. The consumer represented that he has been served with average bills due to no meter in his premises from Feb-Mar/2001 to Sep-2016. For that average bill, the arrear amount has been accumulated to ₹ 32,744.76p upto Jan.-2025. The complainant raised dispute against the said period and requested before the Forum for suitable revision of the bill.

SUBMISSION OF OPPOSITE PARTY DURING HEARING

The OP appeared before the Forum with relevant record. On defence, he intimated that the consumer is a LT-Domestic consumer availing power supply prior to Apr-1999. The billing dispute raised by the complainant for the average billing from Feb-Mar/2001 to Sep-2016 was due to no meter in his premises. A new meter with sl. no. WUV16466 has been installed during Oct-2016, thereafter actual billing has done. As the above-stated average billing period bill has not been revised, it needs bill revision.

Considering the above, the OP requested before the Forum for revision of previous disputed

bills and pass order as deemed sit.

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MEMBER (Fin.)
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FINDINGS AND ANALYSIS OF THE FORUM

The consumer is a LT-Dom. consumer with a CD of 0.5 KW. The consumer has availed power supply prior to Apr-1999 and total outstanding upto Jan.-2025 is ₹ 32,744.76p. As complained by the complainant and submission of OP, it is observed by the Forum that,



- 1. The consumer has availed power supply without meter from Feb-Mar/2001 to Sep-2016 which violates Cl-97 (ii) of OERC Dist. Conditions of Supply) Code 2019 which is a gross negligence on the part of OP which should not be. The Forum has taken this as a <u>serious note</u> and warned the OP not to repeat such things in future.
- 2. The OP admitted the complaint and submitted that a new meter with sl. no. WUV16466 has been installed during Oct-2016, thereafter actual billing has done. Due to billing with unmetered status, the consumer was served with average bills from Feb-Mar/2001 to Sep.-2016 resulting accumulation of arrear outstanding.
- 3. During the course of hearing, the OP has admitted with the billing complaints and initiated bill revision process on the spot observing departmental guidelines. Accordingly, the monthly bill has been recalculated with the consumption and an amount of ₹ 3,742.51p is to be withdrawn from the arrear outstanding.
- 4. The complainant has not paid the monthly bill regularly for which the total has been accumulated to ₹ 32,744.76p upto Jan.-2025.

In view of above facts and circumstances and after going through the documents submitted by both the parties, the Forum pronounces the following order as per regulations of the OERC Distribution (Conditions of Supply) Code 2019.

The OP was agreed with the billing dispute and revised the bill on spot and the petitioner was convinced with the proposed withdrawal amount of ₹ 3,742.51p. Hence, the Forum directed the OP to carry-out the revision proposal and must be reflected in the next bill.

Case is disposed off accordingly.

Compliance report must be submitted to the Forum by the opposite party within one month after receipt of GRF order otherwise it will be treated as non-compliance.

K.S.PADIFE CO-OPTED MEMBER

P.K.SAHOO MEMBER (Fin) K\B.SAHU PRESIDENT

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- 2. Sub-Divisional Officer, Electrical Sub-Division, TPWODL, Patnagarh.
- 3. DFM/ AFM/ JFM, Titilagarh Electrical Division, TPWODL, Titilagarh.
- 4. Superintending Engineer, Electrical Circle, TPWODL, Bolangir.
- 5. Chief Legal, Head Quarter Office, TPWODL, Burla.

The order is also available at TPWODL Web site; tpwesternodisha,com → customer zone → Grievance Redressal Forum → BOLANGIR → (GRF CASE NO.)

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