

# **GRIEVANCE REDRESSAL FORUM, BOLANGIR**

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Memo No.GRF/BGR/Order/ 194

Dated, the 07/03/2025

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Er. Kumuda Bandhu Sahu

Sri Prasanta Kumar Sahoo Sri Krupasindhu Padhee President

Member (Finance) Co-Opted Member

1 Case No. Complaint Case No. BGR/155/2025 Name & Address Consumer No Contact No. Sri Biswamitra Singh, 911211280450 2 Complainant/s At-Barkani, Po-Jhankarpali, Dist-Bolangir Name Division 3 Respondent/s S.D.O (Elect.), No. II, TPWODL, Bolangir Bolangir Electrical Division, TPWODL, Bolangir 4 **Date of Application** 06.03.2025 2. Billing Disputes 1. Agreement/Termination 3. Classification/Reclassi-4. Contract Demand / Connected fication of Consumers Load Disconnection 6. Installation of Equipment Reconnection of Supply apparatus of Consumer 7. Interruptions 8. Metering 5 In the matter of-9. New Connection 10. Quality of Supply & GSOP 11. Security Deposit / Interest 12. Shifting of Service Connection & equipments 13. Transfer ofConsumer 14. Voltage Fluctuations Ownership 15. Others (Specify) -Section(s) of Electricity Act, 2003 involved 6 OERC Regulation(s) 1. OERC Distribution (Conditions of Supply) Code,2019; Clause(s) 155, 157 with Clauses OERC Distribution (Licensee's Standard of Performance) Regulations, 2004; Clause OERC Conduct of Business) Regulations, 2004; Clause 3. Odisha Grid Code (OGC) Regulation, 2006; Clause OERC (Terms and Conditions for Determination of Tariff) Regulations, 2004; Clause 6. Others Date(s) of Hearing 06.03.2025 Date of Order 07.03.2025 Respondent Others Order in favour of Complainant 10 Details of Compensation Nil 11 awarded, if any.

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MEMBER (Fin.)
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PRESIDENT

Place of Hearing:

Camp Court at Chudapali

Appeared:

BOLANGIR

For the Complainant

-Sri Biswamitra Singh

For the Respondent

-Sri Sunil Kumar Swain, S.D.O (Elect.), No. II, Bolangir

#### Complaint Case No. BGR/155/2025

Sri Biswamitra Singh, At-Barkani, Po-Jhankarpali, Dist-Bolangir Con. No. 911211280450

COMPLAINANT

-Versus-

Sub-Divisional Officer,

OPPOSITE PARTY

Electrical Sub-Division, No. II,

TPWODL, Bolangir

ORDER (Dt.07.03.2025)

HISTORY OF THE CASE

The Complaint petition filed by the consumer Shri Biswamitra Singh who is a LT-Dom. consumer availing a CD of 0.5 KW. He has disputed about the average bill raised from Dec-2021 to Aug-2023. 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: 06.03.2025

## SUBMISSION OF COMPLAINANT DURING HEARING

The complainant is a consumer under Chudapali section of Balangir-II Sub-division. The complainant represented that he has been served with average bills from Dec-2021 to Aug-2023. For that disputed bill, the total outstanding has been accumulated to ₹79,948.05p upto Jan.-2025. The complainant raised dispute against the said period and requested before the Forum for suitable revision of the bill.

He has stated that due to such disputed bill, he has not made regular payment for which the arrear outstanding has been accumulated to ₹ 79,948.05p 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 since Jun-2018. The billing dispute raised by the complainant for the average billing from Dec-2021 to Aug-2023 was due to meter defective for that period. A new meter with sl. no. TPWODL1164496 has been installed on 12th Sep. 2023 against that defective meter, thereafter actual billing has been done. As the above-stated 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 fit.

#### 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 since 09<sup>th</sup> Jun. 2018 and total outstanding upto Jan.-2025 is ₹ 79,948.05p. As complained by the complainant and submission of OP, it is observed by the Forum that,

1. As represented by the consumer, due to meter defective, he was served with average bills from Dec-2021 to Aug-2023 which needs bill revision.

The OP admitted the complaint and submitted that a new meter has been installed with meter no. TPWODL1164496 on 12<sup>th</sup> Sep. 2023 and thereafter actual billing has been done. The defective billing period needs bill revision as per consumption of new meter.

In the instant case, it is surprised that the OP has allowed the consumer to continue with defective meter for more than one year. Due to delay in installation of new meter, average billing was done which could have been avoided if the OP has installed the meter without delay for which it is advised to the OP to be taken care in future.

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 ₹ 54,844.40p is to be withdrawn from the arrear outstanding.

2. The complainant has not paid the monthly bill regularly for which the total has been accumulated to ₹ 79,948.05p 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 ₹ 54,844.40p. 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.

CO-OPTED MEMBER

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

Copy to: -

- 1. Sri Biswamitra Singh, At-Barkani, Po-Jhankarpali, Dist-Bolangir.
- 2. Sub-Divisional Officer, Electrical Sub-Division, No. II, TPWODL, Bolangir.
- 3. DFM/ AFM/ JFM, Bolangir Electrical Division, TPWODL, Bolangir.
- 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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