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Bench: Er. Kumuda Bandhu Sahu (President),

Sri Prasanta Kumar Sahoo (Member (Finance)), Sri Krupasindhu Padhee, (Co-Opted Member)

Memo No.GRF/BGR/Order/_

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Dated, the 27/0

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Er. Kumuda Bandhu Sahu

- President

Sri Prasanta Kumar Sahoo Sri Krupasindhu Padhee Member (Finance) Co-Opted Member

1	Case No.	Complaint Case No. BGR/204/2025							
2	Complainant/s	Name & Address			Consumer No	Contac	t No.		
		Sri Vishal Khanduwal,			912211050047	943714			
		For Sri M.S.Khanduwal,				, , , , , ,			
		At/Po-Kantabanji, Ward No. 03,			* -				
		Near Jio Office, Dist-Bolangir				-			
		Name				Division			
3	Respondent/s	S.D.O (Elect.), TPWODL, Kantabanji			Titilagarh Electrical Division, TPWODL, Titilagarh				
4	Date of Application	24.03.2025							
5	In the matter of-	1. Agreement/Termination 2. Billin			ng Disputes √				
		3. Classification fication of C			4. Contract Demand / Connected Load				
		5. Disconnect			6. Installation of Equipment &				
			on of Supply		apparatus of Consumer				
		7. Interruption		<u> </u>		Metering			
		9. New Connection 10. Quality of Supply & GSOP 11. Security Deposit / Interest 12. Shifting of Service Connection					OP		
		1			ting of Service Connection & pments				
		13. Transfer	of Consumer		14. Voltage Fluctuations				
		Ownership							
		15. Others (Specify) -							
6	Section(s) of Electricity								
7	OERC Regulation(s) with Clauses	1. OERC Distribution (Conditions of Supply) Code,2019;							
		Clause(s) 155, 157							
		2. OERC Distribution (Licensee's Standard of Performance) Regulations, 2004; Clause							
		3. OERC Conduct of Business) Regulations, 2004; Clause							
		4. Odisha Grid Code (OGC) Regulation, 2006; Clause							
		5. OERC (Terms and Conditions for Determination of Tariff) Regulations, 2004;							
		Clause							
		6. Others							
8	Date(s) of Hearing	24.03.2025							
9	Date of Order	27.03.2025							
10	Order in favour of	Complainant	Respondent			√	Others		
11	Details of Compens	ation Nil							
	awarded, if any.								

CO-OPTED MEMBER

MEMBER (Fin.)
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PRESIDENT

Place of Hearing: Camp Court at Kantabanji

Appeared:

OLANGIR

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For the Complainant

For the Respondent

-Sri Vishal Khanduwal

-Sri Sanjay Tirkey, S.D.O (Elect.), Kantabanji

Complaint Case No. BGR/204/2025

Sri Vishal Khanduwal, For Sri M.S.Khanduwal, At/Po-Kantabanji, Ward No. 03, Near Jio Office, Dist-Bolangir Con. No. 912211050047 **COMPLAINANT**

-Versus-

Sub-Divisional Officer, Electrical Sub-Division, TPWODL, Kantabanji OPPOSITE PARTY

ORDER (Dt.27.03.2025)

HISTORY OF THE CASE

The Complaint petition filed by the representative of the consumer Shri Vishal Khanduwal who is a LT-Dom. consumer availing a CD of 2 KW. He has disputed about the additional bill of ₹ 13,323.75p raised in the bill of May-2023 and requested for bill revision. The complainant needs suitable bill revision for the said period.

The case was heard in detail.

PROCEEDING OF HEARING DATED: 24.03.2025

SUBMISSION OF COMPLAINANT DURING HEARING

The complainant is a consumer under Kantabanji section of Kantabanji Sub-division. The complainant represented that an additional bill of ₹ 55,280.19p has been debited in the bill of May-2023 illegally which needs to be withdrawn and requested before the Forum for revision of bill.

SUBMISSION OF OPPOSITE PARTY DURING HEARING

The OP appeared before the Forum with relevant records. 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 additional bill of ₹ 13,323.75p has been raised in May-2023 bill in obedience to Cl-155 of OERC Dist. (Conditions of Supply) Code 2019 which is liable to pay by the consumer. The reason of additional bill due to average billing made from Feb-Mar/2001 to Oct-2021. On 03rd Sep. 2021, the defective meter has been replaced with a new meter having meter no. LW423057. After meter replacement, the monthly bills have generated on actual basis. The additional bill of ₹ 13,323.75p has been raised based on the consumption pattern of succeeding six months and assessed for the meter defective period restricted to preceding two year i.e. from Sep-2019 to Aug-2021.

Based on the above, the OP requested before the Forum to consider this and reject the complaint of complainant and pass order as deemed fit.

CO-OPTED MEMBER

MEMBER (Fin.)

PRESIDENT

FINDINGS AND ANALYSIS OF THE FORUM

The consumer is a LT-Dom. consumer with a CD of 2 KW. The consumer has availed power supply prior to Apr-1999 and total outstanding upto Feb.-2025 is ₹ 15,920.61p. As complained by the complainant and submission of OP, it is observed by the Forum that,

1. As represented by the consumer, an additional bill of ₹ 13,323.75p has been added in the bill of May-2023 which needs to be withdrawn.

The OP submitted by OP with relevant record that, the energy meter installed in the premises was gone defective prior to Feb-2001 and continued with same status till Oct-2021 billing. The OP has replaced the defective meter with a new meter on 03rd Sep. 2021 with meter no. LW423057 and has been reflected in the bill. Thereafter, the monthly energy bill has been raised on actual meter reading basis. The dispute has raised for imposition of additional bill of ₹ 13,323.75p due to delay replacement of meter by the OP. Off-late, the OP has replaced the meter after twenty years of meter defective, it is advised the OP to be more pro-active for replacement of defective meter within standard time as prescribed by Hon'ble OERC. In the instant case, the OP has exercised Cl-155 of OERC Dist. (Conditions of Supply) Code 2019 and limited the upward assessment period to two years.

2. The complainant has not paid the monthly bill regularly for which the total has been accumulated to ₹ 15,920.61p upto Feb.-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 additional bill of ₹ 13,323.75p has been raised by the opposite party is in obedience to Cl-155 of OERC Dist. (Conditions of Supply) Code, 2019 and the complainant is liable to pay the same. Hence, the complaint of the complainant is hereby rejected. The Forum advised the OP to allow suitable installment on the additional bill to the complainant if the complainant desires and the complainant has to adhere the same.

Case is disposed off accordingly.

K.S.PADHEE CO-OPTED MEMBER P.K.SAHOO MEMBER (Fin.) K.B.SAHU PRESIDENT

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- 1. Sri Vishal Khanduwal, At/Po-Kantabanji, Ward No. 03, Near Jio Office, Dist-Bolangir-767039.
- 2. Sub-Divisional Officer, Electrical Sub-Division, TPWODL, Kantabanji.
- 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 \rightarrow customer zone \rightarrow Grievance Redressal Forum \rightarrow BOLANGIR \rightarrow (GRF CASE NO.)

"If the Complainant is aggrieved with this order or non-implementation of the order of the Grievance Redressal Forum in time, he/she can make the representation to the Ombudsman-II, Qrs. No.3R-2(S), GRIDCO Colony, P.O:Bhoinagar, Bhubaneswar-751022 within 30 days from the date of order of the Grievance Redressal Forums."