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Memo No.GRF/BGR/Order/

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Dated, the

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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/213/2025				
	, ,	Name & Address		Consumer No	Contac	t No.
		Sri Kanha Yadav,		912211060052	720577	9140
2	Complainant/s	For Sri S.Yadav,			30.43	
	-	At/Po-Kantabanji, Road No.	03.	У.		
		Dist-Bolangir				
		Name S.D.O (Elect.), TPWODL, Kantabanji		Division Titilagarh Electrical Division, TPWODL, Titilagarh		
3	Respondent/s					
4	Date of Application	24.03.2025				
	In the matter of-	1. Agreement/Termination	2. Billi	2. Billing Disputes √		1
		3. Classification/Reclassi- fication of Consumers		4. Contract Demand / Connected Load		
		5. Disconnection / Reconnection of Supply	арр	6. Installation of Equipment & apparatus of Consumer		
5		7. Interruptions		8. Metering		
		9. New Connection		10. Quality of Supply & GSOP		
		11. Security Deposit / Interest		12. Shifting of Service Connection & equipments		
		13. Transfer of Consumer Ownership	14. Volt	14. Voltage Fluctuations		
	*5 * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * *	15. Others (Specify) –				
6	Section(s) of Electricity	Act, 2003 involved				
7	OERC Regulation(s)	1. OERC Distribution (Conditions of Supply) Code,2019;				
	with Clauses	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				
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8	Date(s) of Hearing	24.03.2025				
9	Date of Order	29.03.2025				
10	Order in favour of	Complainant √ Respondent Others				
11	Details of Compensation Nil awarded, if any.					

CO-OPTED MEMBER

MEMBER (Fin.)

PRESIDENT

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Place of Hearing: Camp Court at Kantabanji

Appeared:

For the Complainant

-Sri Kanha Yadav

For the Respondent

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

Complaint Case No. BGR/213/2025

Sri Kanha Yadav, For Sri S.Yadav, At/Po-Kantabanji, Road No. 03, Dist-Bolangir Con. No. 912211060052 COMPLAINANT

-Versus-

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

ORDER (Dt.29.03.2025)

HISTORY OF THE CASE

The Complaint petition filed by the representative of the consumer Shri Kanha Yadav who is a LT-GPS. consumer availing a CD of 2 KW. He has submitted that he is availing power supply for domestic purpose from the beginning but from Apr-2016, the monthly bill has been generated on GPS tariff which needs 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 consumer represented that he has availed power supply under LT-Dom. tariff category but bill has been generated on GPS category w.e.f. Apr-2016 which needs bill revision under DOMESTIC tariff. For that change of tariff, the total outstanding has been accumulated to ₹ 91,492.00p upto Feb.-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 documents. On defence, he intimated that initially the consumer was availed power supply under DOMESTIC tariff, later on from Apr-2016 the consumer has been recategorized under LT-GPS tariff category and continuing with same status till date. Based on consumer complaint, the premises was inspected on 26th Jul. 2024 and found that the consumer is using power supply for domestic purpose. Accordingly, a bill revision under domestic tariff has been done in Dec-2024 with withdrawal amount of ₹ 24,545.82p for the period Jul-2022 to Oct-2024.

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Considering the above, the OP requested before the Forum to pass order as deemed fit.

FINDINGS AND ANALYSIS OF THE FORUM

The consumer is a LT-GPS, consumer with a CD of 2 KW. The consumer has availed power supply prior to Apr-1999 and the arrear outstanding upto Feb.-2025 is ₹91,492.00p. As complained by the complainant and submission of OP, it is observed by the Forum that,

The consumer represented that he has availed power supply for domestic purpose from the date of supply but from Apr-2016 onwards, the OP has recategorized the tariff from DOM to GPS and continuing with same tariff which needs bill revision as per LT-Dom. tariff.

The OP submitted that from Apr-2016 onwards, the consumer has been recategorized under GPS tariff. Baes on the consumer representation, the premises was inspected on 26th Jul. 2024 and found that the consumer is using power supply for domestic purpose. Also, a bill revision has been done under DOM tariff from Jul-2022 to Oct-2024 with a withdrawal amount of ₹ 24,545.82p and effected on 07th Dec. 2024.

The Forum analysed the documents submitted by both parties. It is observed that initially the consumer has availed power supply for domestic purpose but from Apr-2016 onwards, the consumer has been recategorized under LT-GPS tariff. Based on consumer complaint, the OP inspected the consumer premises on 26th Jul. 2024 and certified that the consumer is using power supply for domestic purpose. Accordingly, the OP has made a bill revision for tariff category revision from GPS to Dom for the period Jul-2022 to Oct-2024 and withdrawn ₹ 24,545.82p on 07th Dec. 2024.

In the instant case, the complainant has claimed unilateral change of tariff category from GPS to DOM w.e.f. Apr-2016 without any sort of formalities on behalf of consumer in accordance with amended Regulation of Hon'ble OERC, which is not maintainable in its face since the tariff notification promulgated was meant for information of all and applicability of a different tariff category involves proper application which is not possible without any move by the consumer which is lacking in this case. Initially power supply has been released under Domestic tariff but subsequently as per consumption towards GPS category, the OP reclassified the tariff category from Dom to GPS tariff. Thereafter, the complainant has paid the monthly bill time to time without any protest. At the belated stage, now when claims benefit or altered tariff retrospectively the same is not feasible in absence of any application from the consumer.

In the above case, the OP has revised the bill in the reclassified category from Jul-2022 to Oct-2024 but in billing still the consumer is being billed with GPS tariff which needs to be amended.

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.

1. The OP is directed to amend the billing category from GPS tariff to DOM tariff with immediate effect.

2. The OP is directed to revise the energy bill under DOM category from Nov.-2024 to till date and must be reflected in next billing. 15 तेबी हैंबेडिट १८ तेबी हैंबेडिट

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3. DPS is to be levied as per OERC Regulation.

4. All sundries and adjustments are to be considered during the above revision period.

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.PADHEE CO-OPTED MEMBER P.K.SAHOO MEMBER (Fin.)

K.B.SAHU PRESIDENT

Copy to: -

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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 TPWODI. 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."