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Memo No.GRF/BGR/Order/ 425

Dated, the 10/06/2025

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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/302/2025																										
2	Complainant/s	Name & Address Sri Sanket Kumar Tripathy, For Sri Dukhishyam Tripathy, At/Po-Jogisarda, Via-Loisingha, Dist-Bolangir	Consumer No 911311110440	Contact No. 8895196886 8895196716																								
3	Respondent/s	Name S.D.O (Elect.), TPWODL, Loisingha	Division Bolangir Electrical Division, TPWODL, Bolangir																									
4	Date of Application	29.05.2025																										
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8	Date(s) of Hearing	06.06.2025																										
9	Date of Order	10.06.2025																										
10	Order in favour of	Complainant	Respondent	✓ Others																								
11	Details of Compensation awarded, if any.	Nil																										

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Place of Hearing: GRF, Bolangir

Appeared:

For the Complainant - Sri Dharmendra Tripathy (Representative)
For the Respondent - Sri Abanikanta Maharana, S.D.O (Elect.), Loisingha

Complaint Case No. BGR/302/2025

Sri Sanket Kumar Tripathy,
For Sri Dukhishyam Tripathy,
At/Po-Jogisarda, Via-Loisingha,
Dist-Bolangir
Con. No. 911311110440

COMPLAINANT

-Versus-

Sub-Divisional Officer,
Electrical Sub-Division,
TPWODL, Loisingha

OPPOSITE PARTY

ORDER

(Dt.10.06.2025)

The consumer has submitted his grievances on 29th May 2025 regarding imposition of additional bill of ₹ 72,247.17p in the bill of Feb.-2025 without any valid reason which was registered as Case no. 302 / 2025. Accordingly, hearing date was fixed on 06th Jun. 2025 and notice was served to both the parties to remain present with supportive documents on the said date.

HISTORY OF THE CASE

The Complaint petition filed by the consumer Shri Sanket Kumar Tripathy who is a LT-Dom. consumer availing a CD of 2 KW. He has disputed about the additional bill of ₹ 72,247.17p raised in the bill of Feb.-2025 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 : 06.06.2025

SUBMISSION OF COMPLAINANT DURING HEARING

The complainant is a consumer under Loisingha section of Loisingha Sub-division. The complainant represented that an additional bill of ₹ 72,247.17p has been debited in the bill of Feb.-2025 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 ₹ 72,247.17p has been raised in Feb-2025 bill

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in obedience to CI-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/2016 to Jun-2023. On 26th Jul. 2023, the defective meter has been replaced with a new meter having meter no. TWSP51024218. After meter replacement, the monthly bills have been generated on actual basis. The additional bill of ₹ 72,247.17p has been raised based on the consumption pattern of succeeding six months and assessed for the meter defective period restricted to Jul-2021 to Jun-2023.

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

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 Apr.-2025 is ₹ 77,201.34p. 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 ₹ 72,247.17p has been added in the bill of Feb-2025 which needs to be withdrawn.

The OP submitted by OP with relevant record that, the energy meter installed in the premises was gone defective w.e.f. Feb-Mar/2016 and continued with same status till Jun.-2023 billing. The OP has replaced the defective meter with a new meter on 26th Jul. 2023 with meter no. TWSP51024218 and has been reflected in the bill. Thereafter, the monthly energy bill has been raised on actual meter reading basis.

2. The dispute has raised for imposition of additional bill of ₹ 72,247.17p due to delay replacement of meter by the OP. Off-late, the OP has replaced the meter after seven years of meter defective. If the licensee could have replaced the defective meter within standard period as prescribed by Hon'ble OERC in Regulation Code (Conditions of Supply), this sort of dispute could not have been raised. Hence, the Forum directed 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 CI-155 of OERC Dist. (Conditions of Supply) Code 2019 and limited the upward assessment period from Jul-2021 to Jun-2023 (restricted to two year). During the process of hearing, the Forum asked the complainant about the accuracy of monthly meter reading of new smart meter where he has stated that there is no dispute with the new meter installed on 26th Jul. 2023 and they are satisfied with the new smart meter.

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 ₹ 72,247.17p has been raised by the opposite party is in obedience to CI-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.




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Case is disposed off accordingly.


K.S. PADHEE
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P.K. SAHOO
MEMBER (Fin.)


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2. Sub-Divisional Officer, Electrical Sub-Division, TPWODL, Loisingha.
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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