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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 10/06/2

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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/309/2025						
2	Complainant/s	Name & Address			Consumer No	lo Contact No.		
		Sri Prasanta Bariha,		911312120574	9938585282			
		For Sri Rahasa Bariha,						
-		At-Babupali Jhankarpali, Po-Budula,						
		Via-Agalpur, Dist-Bolangir						
		Name S.D.O (Elect.), TPWODL, Loisingha			Division			
3	Respondent/s				Bolangir Electrical Division, TPWODL, Bolangir			
4	Date of Application	05.06.2025						
5	In the matter of-	1. Agreement/Termination	2	2. Billing Disputes √				
		3. Classification/Reclassi-	4	4. Contract Demand / Connected				
		fication of Consumers		Load				
		5. Disconnection /	6	6. Installation of Equipment &				
		Reconnection of Supply 7. Interruptions	- 0		apparatus of Consumer . Metering			
		9. New Connection		10. Quality of Supply & GSOP				
		11. Security Deposit / Interest 12. Shifting of Service Connection & equipments						
						-		
		13. Transfer of Consumer	1	14. Voltage Fluctuations				
		Ownership 15 Other (G. 15)						
		15. Others (Specify) –						
6	Section(s) of Electricity							
7	OERC Regulation(s)							
12	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) Regul							
	, a	Clause						
		6. Others						
8	Date(s) of Hearing	05.06.2025						
9	Date of Order	10.06.2025						
10	Order in favour of		-			Others		
11	Details of Compensation Nil							
	awarded, if any.							

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Place of Hearing: Camp Court at Kendumundi

Appeared:

For the Complainant

-Sri Prasanta Bariha

For the Respondent

-Sri Abanikanta Maharana, S.D.O (Elect.), Loisingha

Complaint Case No. BGR/309/2025

Sri Prasanta Bariha, For Sri Rahasa Bariha, At-Babupali Jhankarpali, Po-Budula, Via-Agalpur, Dist-Bolangir Con. No. 911312120574 COMPLAINANT

-Versus-

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

ORDER (Dt.10.06.2025)

HISTORY OF THE CASE

The Complaint petition filed by the representative of the consumer Shri Prasanta Bariha who is a LT-Dom. consumer availing a CD of 0.5 KW. He has disputed about the provisional & average bill from the date of power supply to Aug-2023 and imposition of additional bill of ₹ 4,120.18p raised in the bill of Nov.-2024 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: 05.06.2025

SUBMISSION OF COMPLAINANT DURING HEARING

The complainant is a consumer under Agalpur section of Loisingha Sub-division. The complainant represented that he was served with provisional & average bill from the date of power supply to Aug-2023 and imposition of additional bill of ₹ 4,120.18p has been debited in the bill of Nov.-2024 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 since Oct-2018. The billing dispute raised by the complainant for the average billing from the date of supply to Aug.-2023 was due to defective meter in his premises. Also, the billing dispute raised by the complainant for the additional bill of ₹ 4,120.18p has been raised in Nov-2024 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 Sep-2021 to Aug-2023 (restricted to two year).

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Based on the above, the OP requested before the Forum to consider this and 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 01st Oct. 2018 and total outstanding upto Apr.-2025 is ₹ 15,224.11p. As complained by the complainant and submission of OP, it is observed by the Forum that,

- 1. Power supply to the consumer has been released with defective meter from the date of supply i.e. 01st Oct. 2018 to Aug-2023 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. A new meter with sl. no. TPWODL1162475 has been installed on 15th Sep. 2023, thereafter actual billing has been done. Due to billing with defective meter, the consumer was served with average bills from the date of supply to Aug-2023 resulting accumulation of arrear outstanding.

As represented by the consumer, an additional bill of ₹ 4,120.18p has been added in the bill of Nov.-2024 which needs to be withdrawn. The OP submitted by OP with relevant record that, the energy meter installed in the premises was defective since the date of power supply and continued till Aug-2023. The OP has replaced the defective meter with a new meter having meter no. TPWODL1162475 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 ₹ 4,120.18p due to delay replacement of meter by the OP. Off-late, the OP has replaced the meter after two 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.

During the course of hearing, the OP has admitted with the billing complaints and initiated recasting of upward assessment on the spot observing departmental guidelines in obedience of TPWODL SANDESH vide ref. no. TPWODL/CC/326 dated 13.10.2023. Accordingly, the monthly bill has been recalculated with the consumption and an amount of ₹ 4,241.12p (₹ 4,120.18p (+) ₹ 120.94p) is to be withdrawn from the arrear outstanding.

3. The complainant has not paid the monthly bill regularly for which the total has been accumulated to ₹ 15,224.11p upto Apr.-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 $\stackrel{?}{\underset{?}{?}}$ 4,241.12p ($\stackrel{?}{\underset{?}{?}}$ 4,120.18p (+) $\stackrel{?}{\underset{?}{?}}$ 120.94p). Hence, the Forum directed the OP to carry-out the revision proposal and must be reflected in the next bill.

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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

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- 3. DFM/ AFM/ JFM, Bolangir Electrical Division, TPWODL, Bolangir.
- 4. Superintending Engineer, Electrical Circle, TPWODL, Bolangir.
- 5. Chief Legal, Head Quarter Office, TPWODL, Burla.

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