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Memo No.GRF/BGR/Order/

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Er. Kumuda Bandhu Sahu

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Member (Finance)

Sri Krupasindhu Padhee

Co-Opted Member

President

1	Case No.	Complaint Case No. BGR/334/2025					
2	Complainant/s	Name & Address			Consumer No	Consumer No Contact No.	
		Sri Krupasindhu Rana,			912422041133		
		At/Po-Siskela, Via-Saintala,					
		Dist-Bolangir					
	Respondent/s	Name			Division		
3		S.D.O (Elect.), TPWODL, Saintala			Titilagarh Electrical Division,		
	Data CA P. C.	TPWODL, Titilagarh					
4	Date of Application	18.06.2025 1. Agreement/Termination					
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5	In the matter of-	3. Classification/Recla			4. Contract Demand / Connected		
		fication of Consum		Load			
		5. Disconnection Reconnection of S	Supply /	6. Installation of Equipment &			
		7. Interruptions	мрргу	apparatus of Consumer 8. Metering			-
		9. New Connection			10. Quality of Supply & GSOP		
		11. Security Deposit / Interest 12. Shifting of Service Connect				nection &	
		equip			oments		
					age Fluctuations		
		Ownership 15. Others (Specify) –					
6	Section(s) of Electricity Act, 2003 involved						
7	OERC Regulation(s)	1. OERC Distribution (Conditions of Supply) Code,2019; Clause(s)					
	with Clauses	2. OERC Distribution (Licensee's Standard of Performance) Regulations, 2004:					
		Clause Standard of Terrormance) Regulations, 2004;					
		3. OERC Conduct of Business) Regulations, 2004; Clause					
		4. Odisha Grid Code (OGC) Regulation,2006; Clause					
1		5. OERC (Terms and Conditions for Determination of Tariff) Regulations, 2004; Clause					
1		6. Others					
8	Date(s) of Hearing	18.06.2025					
9	Date of Order	30.06.2025					
10	Order in favour of	Complainant Respondent V Others					
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111	Details of Compensation Nil awarded, if any.						
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Place of Hearing:

Camp Court at Belgaon

Appeared:

BOLANGIR

For the Complainant

-Sri Krupasindhu Rana

For the Respondent

-Sri Rakesh Ku. Mishra, Jr. Accountant (Representative)

Complaint Case No. BGR/334/2025

Sri Krupasindhu Rana, At/Po-Siskela, Via-Saintala, Dist-Bolangir Con. No. 912422041133

COMPLAINANT

-Versus-

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

ORDER (Dt.30.06.2025)

During Camp Court hearing at Belgaon Camp Court on 18th Jun. 2025, the consumer Shri Krupasindhu Rana was present & Shri Rakesh Kumar Mishra, Jr. Accountant, Saintala Subdivision was present on behalf of SDO-Saintala as opposite party.

HISTORY OF THE CASE

The Complaint petition filed by the consumer Shri Krupasindhu Rana who is a LT-Dom. consumer availing a CD of 1 KW. He has disputed about the additional bill of ₹ 23,940.59p raised in the bill of May-2025. Also, he has disputed about the accuracy of present meter installed in Feb.-2024 and in apprehension that the said meter is recording excess consumption than actual consumption. The complainant raised dispute against the said period and requested before the Forum for replacement of meter and suitable revision of bill.

The case was heard in detail.

PROCEEDING OF HEARING DATED: 18.06.2025

SUBMISSION OF COMPLAINANT DURING HEARING

The complainant is a consumer under Belgaon section of Saintala Sub-division. The complainant represented that an additional bill of ₹ 23,940.59p has been debited in the bill of May-2025 illegally which needs to be withdrawn and disputed about the accuracy of present meter installed on 24th Feb. 2024. He has requested before the Forum for revision of bill and replacement of present meter.

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 Apr.-2016. The billing dispute raised by the complainant for the additional bill of ₹ 23,940.59p has been raised in May-2025 bill in obedience to Cl-155 of OERC Dist. (Conditions of Supply) Code 2019 which is liable to pay by

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the consumer. The reason of additional bill due to average billing made from Oct-2021 to Jan-2024. On 24th Feb. 2024, the defective meter has been replaced with a new meter having meter no. TWB317699. After meter replacement, the monthly bills have been generated on actual basis. The additional bill of ₹ 23,940.59p has been raised based on the consumption pattern of succeeding six months and assessed for the meter defective period restricted to preceding two year. Regarding accuracy of present meter, the complainant should deposit the meter testing fees so that the meter will be tested by MMG team.

Based on 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-Dom. consumer with a CD of 1 KW. The consumer has availed power supply since 20th Apr. 2016 under DOM tariff category and total outstanding upto May-2025 is ₹ 38,954.03p. As complained by the complainant and submission of OP, it is observed by the Forum that,

As represented by the consumer, an additional bill of ₹ 23,940.59p has been added in the bill of May-2025 which needs to be withdrawn. The OP submitted with relevant record that, the energy meter installed in the premises has gone defective w.e.f. Oct-2021 and continued with same status till Jan.-2024 billing. The OP has replaced the defective meter with a new meter on 24th Feb. 2024 with meter no. TWB317699 and 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 ₹ 10,395.22p due to delay replacement of meter by the OP. Off-late, the OP has replaced the meter after two year and four months of meter defective which violates Cl-155 of OERC Distribution (Conditions of Supply) Code-2019 and also attracts under Schedule-III of Guaranteed Standard of Performance of OERC Distribution (Conditions of Supply) Code. Hence, 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.

The energy meter of the consumer has been replaced with a new technological upgraded meter on 24th Feb. 2024 with meter sl. no. TWB317699. The consumer has been disputed the accuracy of the meter and represented that the said meter is showing excess consumption than actual consumption. In response to that, the Forum directed the complainant to deposit the required meter testing fees with the licensee within seven days and directed the OP to test the meter by the MMG team at the earliest with submission of detailed report to the Forum. The MMG team has tested the meter on 23rd Jun. 2025 and submitted the report. The abstract of the PVR is,

"Meter testing result found within limit."

The meter test conducted by MMG team and report generated on 23rd June 2025 has been taken into record. Hence, it is concluded that the present meter i.e. meter no. TWB317699 is out of error.

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 additional bill of ₹ 23,940.59p has been raised by the opposite party in the bill of May-2025 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

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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.

2. The accuracy of meter (meter sl. no.: TWB317699) disputed by the complainant has tested on 23rd Jun. 2025 and found error is within permissible limit. Hence, the petition of the complainant regarding dispute on meter accuracy is hereby rejected.

Case is disposed off accordingly.

K.S.PADHEE CO-OPTED MEMBER

P.K.ŠAHOO ` MEMBER (Fin.) K.B.SAHU PRESIDENT

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1. Sri Krupasindhu Rana, At/Po-Siskela, Via-Saintala, Dist-Bolangir-767032.

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

3. DFM/ AFM/ JFM, Bolangir Electrical Division, TPWODL, Bolangir.

4. Superintending Engineer, Electrical Circle, TPWODL, Bolangir.

5. Chief Legal, Head Quarter Office, TPWODL, Burla.

<u>The order is also available at TPWODL Web site</u>: tpwesternodisha.com \rightarrow customer zone \rightarrow Grievance Redressal Forum \rightarrow BOLANGIR \rightarrow (GRF CASE NO.)