

GRIEVANCE REDRESSAL FORUM, BOLANGIR

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

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Dated, the

Er. Kumuda Bandhu Sahu

Sri Prasanta Kumar Sahoo Sri Krupasindhu Padhee

President

Member (Finance) Co-Opted Member

1	Case No.	Complaint Case No. BGR/335/2025					
2	Complainant/s	Name & Address			Consumer No	Contact	No.
		Sri Gupteswar Bag,		9	012422011740	966867	7118
		For Sri Pannalal Bag,					
		At/Po-Belgaon, Via-Saintala,					
		Dist-Bolangir			M		
		Name S.D.O (Elect.), TPWODL, Saintala			Division Titilagarh Electrical Division, TPWODL, Titilagarh		
3	Respondent/s						
4	Date of Application	18.06.2025					
5	In the matter of-	1. Agreement/Termination	2.	2. Billing Disputes √			V
		3. Classification/Reclassi- fication of Consumers		4. Contract Demand / Connected Load			
		5. Disconnection / Reconnection of Supply		6. Installation of Equipment & apparatus of Consumer			
		7. Interruptions	8.	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.	14. Voltage Fluctuations			
_		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)					
		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	18.06.2025					
9	Date of Order	25.06.2025					
10	Order in favour of		nt Respondent			Others	
11	Details of Compens awarded, if any.	ation Nil					

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Place of Hearing:

Camp Court at Belgaon

Appeared:

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For the Complainant

-Sri Gupteswar Bag

For the Respondent

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

Complaint Case No. BGR/335/2025

Sri Gupteswar Bag, For Sri Pannalal Bag, At/Po-Belgaon, Via-Saintala, Dist-Bolangir Con. No. 912422011740

COMPLAINANT

-Versus-

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

OPPOSITE PARTY

ORDER (Dt.25.06.2025)

During Camp Court hearing at Belgaon Camp Court on 18th Jun. 2025, the representative of the consumer Shri Gupteswar Bag was present & Shri Rakesh Kumar Mishra, Jr. Accountant, Saintala was present as opposite party.

HISTORY OF THE CASE

The Complaint petition filed by the representative of the consumer Shri Gupteswar Bag who is a LT-Dom. consumer availing a CD of 0.5 KW. He has disputed about the additional bill of ₹ 19,612.46p raised in the bill of May-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: 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 ₹ 19,612.46p has been debited in the bill of May-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 since Nov.-2016. The billing dispute raised by the complainant for the additional bill of ₹ 19,612.46p has been raised in May-2025 bill in obedience to Cl-155 of OERC Dist. (Conditions of Supply) Code 2019 which is liable to be paid by the consumer. The reason of additional bill is due to average billing made from Dec.-2021 to Jan.-2024. On 24th Feb. 2024, the defective meter has been replaced with a new meter having meter no. TWB317723. After meter replacement, the monthly bills have been generated on actual basis.

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PRESIDENT

The additional bill of ₹ 19,612.46p has been raised based on the consumption pattern of succeeding six months and assessed for the meter defective period limited to two year.

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 0.5 KW. The consumer has availed power supply since 10th Nov. 2016 under DOM tariff category and total outstanding upto May-2025 is ₹ 23,121.50p. 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 ₹ 19,612.46p 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. Dec.-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. TWB317723 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 ₹ 19,612.46p due to delay replacement of meter by the OP. Offlate, the OP has replaced the meter after two year and two 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.

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 ₹ 19,612.46p 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 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.SXHOO MEMBER (Fin.) K.B.SAHU PRESIDENT

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- 1. Sri Gupteswar Bag, At/Po-Belgaon, 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.)

"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."