

GRIEVANCE REDRESSAL FORUM, BOLANGIR

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

Memo No.GRF/BGR/Order/

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/3	37/2	2025			
	Complainant/s	Name & Address			Consumer No Contact N		t No.
2		Sri Hijakhya Nag,			912422011720 99383132		3275
		At/Po-Belgaon, Via-Saintala,					
		Dist-Bolangir			1		
	Respondent/s	Name			Division		
3		S.D.O (Elect.), TPWODL, Saintala			Titilagarh Electrical Division, TPWODL, Titilagarh		
4	Date of Application	18.06.2025					
5	In the matter of-	1. Agreement/Termination		2. Billing Disputes			TV
			-		4. Contract Demand / Connected		
		3. Classification/Reclassi- fication of Consumers		Load Contract Demand / Connected			
		5. Disconnection /	+		Installation of Equipment &		
		Reconnection of Supply			apparatus of Consumer		
		7. Interruptions			Metering		
		9. New Connection	1	10. Quality of Supply & GSOP			
		11. Security Deposit / Interest		12. Shifting of Service Connection & equipments			
		13. Transfer of Consumer		14. Voltage Fluctuations			
		Ownership					
		15. Others (Specify) -					
6	Section(s) of Electricity						
7	OERC Regulation(s)						
	with Clauses	Clause(s) 2. OERC Distribution (Licensee's Standard of Performance) Regulations, 2004;					
		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 Complainant Respondent √ Others					
10	Order in favour of		Respondent			Others	
11	Details of Compens	ation Nil					
	awarded, if any.			-,-			

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Place of Hearing:

Camp Court at Belgaon

Appeared:

For the Complainant

-Sri Hijakhya Nag

For the Respondent

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

Complaint Case No. BGR/337/2025

Sri Hijakhya Nag, At/Po-Belgaon, Via-Saintala, Dist-Bolangir Con. No. 912422011720 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 consumer Shri Hijakhya Nag was present & Shri Rakesh Kumar Mishra, Jr. Accountant, Saintala was present as opposite party.

HISTORY OF THE CASE

The Complaint petition filed by the consumer Shri Hijakhya Nag who is a LT-Dom. consumer availing a CD of 0.5 KW. He has disputed about the additional bill of ₹ 6,441.37p 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 ₹ 6,441.37p 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 ₹ 6,441.37p 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 the consumer. The reason of additional bill is due to average billing made from Sep-Oct/2022 to Jun-2024. On 16th Jul. 2024, the defective meter has been replaced with a new meter having meter no. TWB332678. After meter replacement, the monthly bills have been generated on actual basis.

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PRESIDENT

The additional bill of ₹ 6,441.37p has been raised based on the consumption pattern of succeeding six months and assessed for the meter defective period.

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 10^{th} Nov. 2016 under DOM tariff category and total outstanding upto May-2025 is $\stackrel{>}{_{\sim}}$ 6,852.41p. 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 ₹ 6,441.37p 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 was gone defective w.e.f. Sep-Oct/2022 and continued with same status till Jun.-2024 billing. The OP has been replaced the defective meter with a new meter on 16th Jul. 2024 with meter no. TWB332678 and reflected in the bill. Thereafter, the monthly energy bill has been raised on actual meter reading basis. The dispute has been raised for imposition of additional bill of ₹ 6,441.37p due to delay replacement of meter by the OP. Off-late, the OP has replaced the meter after two year and ten 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 \not 6,441.37p 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.PADITE CO-OPTED MEMBER P.K.SAHOO MEMBER (Fin.)

K.B.SAHU PRESIDENT

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- 1. Sri Hijakhya Nag, 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.

The order is also available at TPWODL Web site; towesternodisha.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."