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Member (Finance)

President

Sri Krupasindhu Padhee

Co-Opted Member

1	Case No.	Complaint Case No. BGR/390/2025				
2	Complainant/s	Name & Address		Consumer No	Contact No.	
		Sri Bilu Satnami,		912212180443	9556399957	
		At/Po-Bangomunda, Satnamipada,				
		Dist-Bolangir		П		
3	Respondent/s	Name S.D.O (Elect.), TPWODL, Ka	Division Titilagarh Electrical Division, TPWODL, Titilagarh			
4	Date of Application	23.07.2025				
5	In the matter of-	1. Agreement/Termination	2. Billi	Billing Disputes √		
		3. Classification/Reclassi-	4. Cont	4. Contract Demand / Connected		
		fication of Consumers	Load	Load		
		5. Disconnection /		6. Installation of Equipment &		
		Reconnection of Supply		apparatus of Consumer		
		7. Interruptions	8. Mete			
		9. New Connection 11. Security Deposit / Interest	10. Qua	10. Quality of Supply & GSOP		
		11. Security Deposit / Interest 12. Shifting of Service Connection & equipments				
		13. Transfer of Consumer Ownership		14. Voltage Fluctuations		
		15. Others (Specify) –				
6	Section(s) of Electricity	1.1				
7	OERC Regulation(s)	1. OERC Distribution (Conditions of Supply) Code,2019;				
1	with Clauses Clause(s) Cl					
	with Clauses	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;				
8	Data(s) of Hearing	6. Others				
9	Date(s) of Hearing Date of Order	23.07.2025 30.07.2025				
10	Order in favour of	Complainant Respondent V Others				
11			ient		Others	
11	1 Details of Compensation Nil awarded, if any.					

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Place of Hearing:

Camp Court at Bangomunda

Appeared:

BOLANGIR

For the Complainant

-Sri Bilu Satnami

For the Respondent

-Sri Sanjay Tirkey, S.D.O (Elect.), Kantabanji

Complaint Case No. BGR/390/2025

Sri Bilu Satnami, At/Po-Bangomunda, Satnamipada, Dist-Bolangir Con. No. 912212180443 **COMPLAINANT**

-Versus-

Sub-Divisional Officer, Electrical Sub-Division, TPWODL, Kantabanji OPPOSITE PARTY

ORDER (Dt.30.07.2025)

During Camp Court hearing at Bangomunda on 23rd Jul. 2025, the consumer Shri Bilu Satnami was present & Shri Sanjay Tirkey, SDO-Kantabanji was present as opposite party.

HISTORY OF THE CASE

The Complaint petition filed by the consumer Shri Bilu Satnami who is a LT-Dom. consumer availing a CD of 0.5 KW. He has disputed about the abnormal and inflated billing done in Jan-2024 bill of ₹ 17,837.18p. He has filed his grievances for revision of bill. The complainant needs suitable bill revision for the said period.

The case was heard in detail.

PROCEEDING OF HEARING DATED: 24.07.2025

SUBMISSION OF COMPLAINANT DURING HEARING

The complainant is a consumer under Muribahal section of Kantabanji Sub-division. The complainant represented that he has been served with abnormal and inflated in Jan.-2024 with an amount of ₹ 17,837.18p. For that disputed bill, the total outstanding has been accumulated to ₹ 22,742.57p upto Jun.-2025. The complainant raised dispute against the said period and requested before the Forum for suitable revision of the bill.

SUBMISSION OF OPPOSITE PARTY DURING HEARING

The OP appeared before the Forum with relevant record. On defence, he intimated that the consumer is a LT-Domestic consumer availing power supply since Jan.-2013. The billing dispute raised by the complainant for the abnormal and inflated billing in Jan.-2024 bill has no base and not a genuine dispute as all bills have raised on actual meter reading basis. Hence, the petition of the complainant should be rejected. Regarding monthly billing, the consumer was billed with "AVERAGE" billing from Jan.-2019 to Jan.-2024. During the said disputed period, the meter was

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running but due to erroneous meter status punched by the concerned meter reader in Jan.-2019, the consumer was billed on average basis. The matter has been detected in Feb.-2025 billing and "O" code meter status correction has been done with CMR: 9074 & IMR: 2501. Accordingly, differential unit of 6573 units of ₹ 17,837.18p has been billed in Jan.-2024 bill (served in Feb-2025). As the bills has been raised on actual meter reading basis, there is no need of bill revision.

Considering the above, the OP requested before the Forum to reject the petition of the 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 01st Jan. 2013 and total outstanding upto Jun-2025 is ₹ 22,742.57p. As complained by the complainant and submission of OP, it is observed by the Forum that,



1. The consumer represented that erroneous and inflated billing has been done in Jan.-2024 with an additional amount of ₹ 17,837.18p which needs to be withdrawn. The OP admitted the complaint and submitted that due to erroneous meter status punched by the concerned meter reader in Jan.-2019 billing, the consumer was billed with average basis instead of actual meter reading basis. The meter status has been rectified in Feb.-2024 with CMR: 9074 & IMR: 2501. In response to that an additional bill of 6573 units amounting to ₹ 17,837.18p has been raised in Jan-2024 bill month. Thereafter actual billing has been done.

In the instant case, it is surprised that the OP has allowed the consumer to continue with defective meter status for more than five years where the meter is in running with OK status in the field for which the consumer has raised dispute. Due to negligence on the part of OP, average billing has been done which could have been avoided for which it is advised to the OP to be taken care in future.

- 2. Regarding imposition of additional bill of ₹ 17,837.18p done in Jan.-2024, the OP is of the view that as per meter reading recorded in Feb.-2024 with CMR: 9074, the monthly bill has been recasted by considering slab benefit from Jan-2019 to Jan.-2024. Accordingly, additional bill has been debited based on the actual consumption as per OERC Regulation.
- 3. The complainant has not paid the monthly bill regularly for which the total has been accumulated to ₹ 22,742.57p upto Jun-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 additional bill of ₹ 17,837.18p raised in Jan-2024 billing for the period Jan.-2019 to Jan.-2024 is genuine and in obedience to OERC Regulation and the consumer 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 CO-OPTED MEMBER P.K.SAHOO MEMBER (Fin.) K.B.SAHU
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- 3. DFM/ AFM/ JFM, Titilagarh Electrical Division, TPWODL, Titilagarh.
- 4. Superintending Engineer, Electrical Circle, TPWODL, Bolangir.
- 5. Chief Legal, Head Quarter Office, TPWODL, Burla.

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