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Member (Finance) Co-Opted Member

1	Case No.	Complaint Case No. BGR/40	02/2	025			
	Complainant/s	Name & Address			Consumer No Contac		No.
2		Sri Dharam Pal Jain,			912212020045	9937805562	
		C/o-K.K.Auto Point,					
		At/Po-Bangomunda,			-		
		Dist-Bolangir			1 95 1 1		
		Name			Division		
3	Respondent/s	S.D.O (Elect.), TPWODL, Kantabanji			Titilagarh Electrical Division, TPWODL, Titilagarh		
4	Date of Application	23.07.2025					
5	In the matter of-	1. Agreement/Termination		2. Billing Disputes √			1
		3. Classification/Reclassi-		4. Contract Demand / Connected Load 6. Installation of Equipment &			
		fication of Consumers					
		5. Disconnection /					
		Reconnection of Supply		apparatus of Consumer			
		7. Interruptions		8. Metering			
2		9. New Connection		10. Quality of Supply & GSOP 12. Shifting of Service Connection &			
,		11. Security Deposit / Interest		equipments			
		13. Transfer of Consumer Ownership		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) 155, 157					
		2. OERC Distribution (Licensee's Standard of Performance) Regulations,2004;					
		Clause					
		OERC Conduct of Business) Regulations, 2004; Clause Odisha Grid Code (OGC) Regulation, 2006; 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	23.07.2025					
9	Date of Order	30.07.2025					
10	Order in favour of	Complainant √ Respond	lent		. 0	thers	
11	Details of Compensa	pensation Nil					
	awarded, if any.						

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Place of Hearing:

Camp Court at Bangomunda

Appeared:

For the Complainant

-Sri Dharam Pal Jain

For the Respondent

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

Complaint Case No. BGR/402/2025

Sri Dharam Pal Jain, C/o-K.K.Auto Point, At/Po-Bangomunda, Dist-Bolangir Con. No. 912212020045 **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 Dharam Pal Jain was present & Shri Sanjay Tirkey, SDO-Kantabanji was present as opposite party.

HISTORY OF THE CASE

The Complaint petition filed by the consumer Shri Dharam Pal Jain who is a LT-Dom. consumer availing a CD of 2 KW. He has disputed about the additional bill of ₹ 22,257.95p 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: 23.07.2025

SUBMISSION OF COMPLAINANT DURING HEARING

The complainant is a consumer under Tureikela section of Kantabanji Sub-division. The complainant represented that an additional bill of ₹ 22,257.95p 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 prior to Apr-1999. The billing dispute raised by the complainant for the additional bill of ₹ 22,257.95p 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.-2020 to Jan.-2024. On 06th Mar. 2024, the defective meter has been replaced with a new meter having meter no.

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MEMBER (Fin.)

PRESIDENT

TWB116110. After meter replacement, the monthly bills have been generated on actual basis. The additional bill of ₹ 22,257.95p has been raised based on the consumption pattern of succeeding six months and assessed for the meter defective period restricted to preceding two year.

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 2 KW. The consumer has availed power supply prior to Apr-1999 and total outstanding upto Jun.-2025 is ₹ 25,603.05p. As complained by the complainant and submission of OP, it is observed by the Forum that,

1. As represented by the consumer, an additional bill of ₹ 22,257.95p has been added in the bill of May-2025 which needs to be withdrawn.



The OP submitted by OP with relevant record that, the energy meter installed in the premises was gone defective w.e.f. Sep.-2020 and continued with same status till Jan.-2024. The OP has replaced the defective meter with a new meter on 06th Mar. 2024 with meter no. TWB116110 and has been reflected in the bill. Thereafter, the monthly energy bill has been raised on actual meter reading basis. The dispute was raised for imposition of additional bill of ₹ 22,257.95p due to delay replacement of meter by the OP. Off-late, the OP has replaced the meter after three years 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.

During the course of hearing, the OP admitted with the billing complaints and intimated that they have initiated re-assessment of upward assessment observing departmental guidelines. Accordingly, the re-assessed amount has been recalculated with the consumption and an amount of ₹ 9,376.29p is to be debited and ₹ 22,257.95p which was debited in the bill of May-2025 is to be withdrawn from the arrear outstanding.

2. The complainant has not paid the monthly bill regularly for which the total has been accumulated to ₹ 25,603.05p 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.

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BOLANGIR 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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2. Sub-Divisional Officer, Electrical Sub-Division, TPWODL, Kantabanji.

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

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

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

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