

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 29/08/2024

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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/538/2024			
1	Case No.	Name & Address		Consumer No Contact No.	
		Sri Tejraj Dharua,		911225250424 8763340279	
2	Complainant/s	At-Salepali,			
2	Complamantis	Po-Chandanbhati,			
		Dist-Bolangir			
		Name		Division	
3	Respondent/s	S.D.O (Elect.), No. II, TPWODL, Bolangir		r Bolangir Electrical Division, TPWODL, Bolangir	
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4	Date of Application	22.08.2024 1. Agreement/Termination			
	In the matter of-	1. Agreement/Termination		oning Disputes	
		3. Classification/Reclassi-	12.5	4. Contract Demand / Connected	
		fication of Consumers		oad nstallation of Equipment &	
		5. Disconnection / Reconnection of Supply		pparatus of Consumer	
		7. Interruptions		8. Metering	
5		9. New Connection	10. Q	10. Quality of Supply & GSOP	
		11. Security Deposit / Interest		12. Shifting of Service Connection &	
			111	quipments /oltage Fluctuations	
		13. Transfer of Consumer Ownership	14. V	offage Fluctuations	
		15. Others (Specify) –			
6	Section(s) of Electricity	y Act, 2003 involved			
7	OERC Regulation(s)	1. OERC Distribution (Conditions of Supply) Code,2019;			
	Clause(s) 155, 157				
		 OERC Distribution (Licensee's Standard of Performance) Regulations,2004; Clause OERC Conduct of Business) Regulations,2004; Clause Odisha Grid Code (OGC) Regulation,2006; Clause OERC (Terms and Conditions for Determination of Tariff) Regulations,2004; 			
		Clause			
		6. Others		<u></u>	
8	Date(s) of Hearing	22.08.2024			
9	Date of Order	29.08.2024			
10	Order in favour of	Complainant √ Responde	ent	Others	
11	1 Details of Compensation Nil awarded, if any.				
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CO-OPTED NEMBER

Place of Hearing: Camp Court at Chandanbhati

Appeared:

For the Complainant

-Sri Tejraj Dharua

For the Respondent

-Sri Sunil Kumar Swain, S.D.O (Elect.), No. II, Bolangir

Complaint Case No. BGR/538/2024

Sri Tejraj Dharua, At-Salepali, Po-Chandanbhati, Dist-Bolangir COMPLAINANT

Con. No. 911225250424

-Versus-

Sub-Divisional Officer, Electrical Sub-Division, No. II, OPPOSITE PARTY

TPWODL, Bolangir

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ORDER (Dt.29.08.2024)

HISTORY OF THE CASE

The Complainant is a LT-Dom. consumer availing a CD of 1.5 KW. The complainant represented that he was served with provisional & average bills due to meter defective from Mar-2007 to Jul-2012. For that average bills, the arrear has accumulated to ₹ 17,801.49 upto May-2024. The complainant raised dispute against the said period and requested before the Forum for suitable revision of the bill.

The case was heard in detail.

PROCEEDING OF HEARING DATED: 22.08.2024

SUBMISSION OF COMPLAINANT DURING HEARING

The complainant is a consumer under REC section of Balangir-II Sub-division. The consumer represented that he was served with average bills from Mar-2007 to Jul-2012 due to meter defective. For that, the arrear has been accumulated to ₹ 17,801.49p upto Jul.-2024. 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-Dom. consumer availing power supply since Jul-2001. The billing dispute raised by the complainant for the average billing from Mar-2007 to Jul-2012 was due to wrong punching of meter status from OK meter to defective meter by the concerned meter reader. The matter was identified in Jul-2012 and the consumer was billed with CMR: 14422 on Jul-2012 but prior to that, the average billing period has not yet revised which needs bill revision. As the above-stated period bill has not revised, it needs bill revision.

CO-OPTED MEMBER

MEMBER (Fin.)

PRESIDENT

Considering the above, the OP requested before the Forum for revision of previous disputed bills and pass order as deemed fit.

FINDINGS AND ANALYSIS OF THE FORUM

The consumer is a LT-Dom. consumer with a CD of 1.5 KW. The consumer has availed power supply since 23rd Jul. 2001 and the arrear outstanding upto Jul.-2024 is ₹ 17,801.49p. As complained by the complainant and submission of OP, it is observed by the Forum that,

1. As represented by the consumer, due to meter defective, he was served with average bills from Mar-2007 to Jul-2012 with meter no. 155775AA which needs bill revision.

The OP admitted the complaint and submitted that due to wrong punching of meter status by the concerned meter reader in Mar-2007, the consumer billed on average basis from Mar-2007 to to Sep-2011, thereafter provisional billing from Oct-2011 to Jun-Jul/2012. The meter status was rectified in Jul-2012 with CMR: 14422. Thereafter actual billing is going on. The defective billing period needs bill revision as per actual consumption of the existing meter (meter no. 155775AA).

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 was running with OK status in the field for which the consumer was raised dispute. Due to delay in resolve the grievances by the OP, average billing was done which could have been avoided for which it is advised to the OP to be taken care in future.

During the course of hearing, the OP has admitted with the billing complaints and initiated bill revision process on the spot observing departmental guidelines. Accordingly, the monthly bill has been recalculated with the consumption and an amount of ₹ 12,800.00p is to be withdrawn from the arrear outstanding.

2. The complainant has not paid the monthly bill regularly for which the arrear has been accumulated to ₹ 17,801.49p upto Jul.-2024.

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 OP has agreed with the billing dispute and revised the bill on spot and the petitioner was convinced with the proposed withdrawal amount of ₹ 12,800.00p. Hence, the Forum directed the OP to carry-out the revision proposal and must be reflected in the next bill.

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.S. HOO MEMBER (Fin.)

K.B.SAHU PRESIDENT

Copy to: -

- 1. Sri Tejraj Dharua, At-Salepali, Po-Chandanbhati, Dist-Bolangir.
- 2. Sub-Divisional Officer, Electrical Sub-Division, No. II, TPWODL, Bolangir.
- 3. DFM/ AFM/ JFM, Bolangir Electrical Division, TPWODL, Bolangir.
- 4. Superintending Engineer, Electrical Circle, TPWODL, Bolangir.
- 5. Chief Legal, Head Quarter Office, TPWODL, Burla.

"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."



