

# **GRIEVANCE REDRESSAL FORUM, BOLANGIR**

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Memo No.GRF/BGR/Order/

Dated, the\_

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Er. Kumuda Bandhu Sahu

President

Sri Prasanta Kumar Sahoo Sri Krupasindhu Padhee

Member (Finance) Co-Opted Member

1	Case No.	Complaint Case No. BGR/588/2024						
	Complainant/s	Name & Address			Consumer No	Contact	No.	
		Sri Jadaba Bag,			912314111843	7609990	0634	
2		For Smt. Mahi Bag,						
		At-Goudpali, Po-Luhasingha,						
		Dist-Bolangir						
		Name			Division			
3	Respondent/s	S.D.O (Elect.), TPWODL, Patnagarh			Titilagarh Electrical Division, TPWODL, Titilagarh			
4	Date of Application	28.08.2024						
5	In the matter of-	1. Agreement/Termination		2. Billing Disputes   √			1	
		3. Classification/Reclassi-		4. Contract Demand / Connected				
		fication of Consumers			Load			
		5. Disconnection /		6. Installation of Equipment &				
		Reconnection of Supply			apparatus of Consumer			
		7. Interruptions 9. New Connection		8. Metering				
		11. Security Deposit / Interest		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	ection(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;						
		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	28.08.2024						
9	Date of Order	17.09.2024						
10	Order in favour of	Complainant   √ Respondent Others						
11	Details of Compensation Nil							
awarded, if any.								

CO-OPTED MEMBER

MEMBER (Fin.)

PRESIDENT

Place of Hearing:

Camp Court at Juria

Appeared:

For the Complainant

-Sri Jadaba Bag

For the Respondent

-Sri Debadatta Mahapatra, S.D.O (Elect.), Patnagarh

### Complaint Case No. BGR/588/2024

Sri Jadaba Bag. For Smt. Mahi Bag. At-Goudpali, Po-Luhasingha, Dist-Bolangir Con. No. 912314111843

COMPLAINANT

-Versus-

Sub-Divisional Officer, Electrical Sub-Division,

REDRESS

TPWODL, Patnagarh

**OPPOSITE PARTY** 

ORDER (Dt.17.09.2024)

**HISTORY OF THE CASE** 

The Complainant Shri Jadaba Bag, representative of the consumer is a LT-Dom. consumer availing a CD of 1 KW. He has disputed about the erroneous and average bills raised from the date of supply to Sep.-2020 due to no meter in his premises. He has submitted 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: 28.08.2024

#### SUBMISSION OF COMPLAINANT DURING HEARING

The complainant is a consumer under Khaprakhol section of Patnagarh Sub-division. The consumer represented that he was served with average bills due to no meter from the date of supply to Sep.-2020. For that average bills, the arrear has been accumulated to ₹ 10,340.54p 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 records. On defence, he intimated that the consumer is a LT-Domestic consumer availing power supply since Jun.-2018. The billing dispute raised by the complainant for the average billing from the date of supply to Sep-2020 was due to no meter in his premises. As the above-stated average billing period bill has not been revised, it needs bill revision.

Considering the above, the OP requested before the Forum for revision of previous disputed bills and pass order as deemed fit. va 17/09/24

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#### FINDINGS AND ANALYSIS OF THE FORUM

The consumer is a LT-Dom. consumer with a CD of 1 KW. The consumer has availed power supply since 28<sup>th</sup> Jun. 2018 and the arrear outstanding upto Jul.-2024 is ₹. 10,340.54p. As complained by the complainant and submission of OP, it is observed by the Forum that,

1. The consumer has availed power supply without meter from the date of supply i.e. 28<sup>th</sup> Jun. 2018 to Sep.-2020 which violates Cl-97 (ii) of OERC Dist. Conditions of Supply) Code 2019 which is a gross negligence on the part of OP which should not be. The Forum has taken this as a <u>serious note</u> and warned the OP not to repeat such things in future.

2. A new meter with sl. no. LW628593 has been installed on 06<sup>th</sup> Sep. 2020, thereafter actual billing has been done. Due to billing with unmetered status, the consumer was served with average bills from the date of supply to Jan.-2021 resulting accumulation of arrear outstanding.

3. During the Course of hearing, it is observed that the existing meter (sl. no. LW628593) is defective since last one year i.e. from Jul-2023 which needs replacement of defective meter immediately.

4. On scrutiny of the documents, it is observed by the Forum that the average bills raised during no meter period needs bill revision under Cl-155 & 157 of OERC Dist. (Conditions of Supply) Code 2019 to redress the consumer grievances. However, during the course of hearing, the OP has agreed with the billing complaints and initiated bill revision process on the spot observing departmental guidelines. Accordingly, the monthly bill has recalculated with the consumption and an amount of ₹8,071.74p is to be withdrawn from the arrear outstanding.

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.

1. The OP has re-calculated the bill and the petitioner was convinced with the proposed withdrawal amount of ₹8,071.74p. Hence, the Forum directed the OP to carry-out the revision proposal and must be reflected in the next bill.

2. The OP is directed to replace the present defective meter (meter no.: LW628593) immediately for proper billing.

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.

CO-OPTED MEMBER

P.K.SAHOO MEMBER (Fin.) K.B\SÄHU PRESIDENT

Copy to: -

1. Sri Jadaba Bag, At-Goudpali, Po-Luhasingha, Dist-Bolangir.

- 2. Sub-Divisional Officer, Electrical Sub-Division, TPWODL, Patnagarh.
- 3. DFM/ AFM/ JFM, Titilagarh Electrical Division, TPWODL, Titilagarh.
- 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."