

# 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/ 908

Dated, the 19/09/2024

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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/608/2024				
2	Complainant/s	Name & Address		Consumer No   Contact		No.
		Sri Biswamitra Mahana,		915103010153	8456919	9114
		For Sri Bhuli Mahana,				
		At/Po-Tarbha, Nuapada,				
		Dist-Sonepur				
		Name		Division		
3	Respondent/s	S.D.O (Elect.), TPWODL, So	Sonepur Electrical Division, TPWODL, Sonepur			
4	Date of Application	11.09.2024				
5	In the matter of-	1. Agreement/Termination	2. Billi	2. Billing Disputes   √		1
		3. Classification/Reclassi- fication of Consumers		4. Contract Demand / Connected Load		
		5. Disconnection / Reconnection of Supply	1970	6. Installation of Equipment & apparatus of Consumer		
		7. Interruptions		8. Metering		
		9. New Connection		10. Quality of Supply & GSOP		
		11. Security Deposit / Interest	12. Shift	12. Shifting of Service Connection & 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				
		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 Clause				
		6. Others				
8	Date(s) of Hearing	11.09.2024				
9	Date of Order	19.09.2024				
10	Order in favour of	Complainant   √ Respondent Others			1	
11	Details of Compensation Nil					
	awarded, if any.					

CO-OPTED MEMBER

MEMBER (Fin.)

PRESIDENT

Place of Hearing: Camp Court at Tarbha

Appeared:

For the Complainant -Sri Biswamitra Mahana

For the Respondent —Sri Bibekananda Dikshit, S.D.O (Elect.), Sonepur

## Complaint Case No. BGR/608/2024

Sri Biswamitra Mahana, For Sri Bhuli Mahana, At/Po-Tarbha, Nuapada, Dist-Sonepur Con. No. 915103010153 **COMPLAINANT** 

-Versus-

Sub-Divisional Officer, Electrical Sub-Division, TPWODL, Sonepur

**OPPOSITE PARTY** 

BOLANGIR

### ORDER (Dt.19.09.2024)

## **HISTORY OF THE CASE**

The Complainant is a LT-Dom. consumer availing a CD of 2 KW. He has disputed the average bill raised from May-Jun/2004 to Mar-2011 due to meter defective. 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: 11.09.2024**

#### SUBMISSION OF COMPLAINANT DURING HEARING

The complainant is a consumer under Khari section of Sonepur Sub-division. The consumer represented that he was served with average bills from May-Jun/2004 to Mar-2011 due to meter defective. For that, the arrear has been accumulated to ₹ 56,347.14p upto Aug.-2024. The consumer raised dispute against the said period and requested before the Forum for suitable revision of 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 prior to Apr-1999. The billing dispute raised by the complainant for the average billing from May-Jun/2004 to Mar-2011 was due to meter defective for that period. A new meter with sl. no. 341727 was installed during Apr-2011 and continued till Jun-2019 with actual billing. As the above-stated 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.

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PRESIDENT

### 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 the arrear outstanding upto Aug.-2024 is ₹ 56,347.14p. 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 May-Jun/2004 to Mar-2011 which needs bill revision.

The OP admitted the complaint and submitted that a new meter has been installed with meter no. 341727 during Apr-2011 and thereafter actual billing is going on. The defective billing period needs bill revision as per consumption of new meter.

In the instant case, it is surprised that the OP has allowed the consumer to continue with defective meter for more than seven years. Due to delay in installation of new meter, average billing was done which could have been avoided if the OP has installed the meter without delay 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  $\ref{1,883.37p}$  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 ₹ 56,347.14p upto Aug.-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 was agreed with the billing dispute and revised the bill on spot and the petitioner was also convinced with the proposed withdrawal amount of ₹ 1,883.37p. 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.SÄHOO MEMBER (Fin.) K.B.SAHU PRESIDENT

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- 3. DFM/ AFM/ JFM, Sonepur Electrical Division, TPWODL, Sonepur.
- 4. Superintending Engineer, Electrical Circle, TPWODL, Bolangir.
- 5. Chief Legal, Head Quarter Office, TPWODL, Burla.

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

"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."



