

## GRIEVANCE REDRESSAL FORUM, BOLANGIR

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Memo No.GRF/BGR/Order/\_\_99

Dated, the\_

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Er. Kumuda Bandhu Sahu Sri Prasanta Kumar Sahoo - President

Sri Prasanta Kumar Saho Sri Krupasindhu Padhee Member (Finance)Co-Opted Member

Case No. 1 Complaint Case No. BGR/676/2024 Name & Address Consumer No Contact No. Sri Suresh Meher, 911225010145 9124194783 2 Complainant/s For Sri Santosh Meher, At/Po-Chandanbhati, Dist-Bolangir Name Division 3 Respondent/s S.D.O (Elect.), No. II, TPWODL, Bolangir Bolangir Electrical Division, TPWODL, Bolangir 4 **Date of Application** 07.10.2024 1. Agreement/Termination 2. Billing Disputes 3. Classification/Reclassi-4. Contract Demand / Connected fication of Consumers Load Disconnection 6. Installation of Equipment Reconnection of Supply apparatus of Consumer 8. Metering Interruptions 5 In the matter of-**New Connection** 10. Quality of Supply & GSOP 12. Shifting of Service Connection & 11. Security Deposit / Interest equipments 13. Transfer Consumer 14. Voltage Fluctuations Ownership 15. Others (Specify) -6 Section(s) of Electricity Act, 2003 involved OERC Distribution (Conditions of Supply) Code,2019; OERC Regulation(s) Clause(s) 155, 157 with Clauses 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 OERC (Terms and Conditions for Determination of Tariff) Regulations, 2004; Clause 6. Others 8 Date(s) of Hearing 07.10.2024 9 Date of Order 24.10.2024 10 Complainant Order in favour of ₹ Respondent Others 11 of Compensation Details Nil

CO-OPTED MEMBER

awarded, if any.

MEMBER (Fin.)

PRESIDENT

Place of Hearing: Can

Camp Court at Chandanbhati

Appeared:

For the Complainant

-Sri Suresh Meher

For the Respondent

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

## Complaint Case No. BGR/676/2024

Sri Suresh Meher, For Sri Santosh Meher, At/Po-Chandanbhati, Dist-Bolangir Con. No. 911225010145 COMPLAINANT

-Versus-

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

TPWODL, Bolangir

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**OPPOSITE PARTY** 

ORDER (Dt.24.10.2024)

**HISTORY OF THE CASE** 

The Complainant is a LT-Dom. consumer availing a CD of 1.5 KW. He was disputed the average bill raised from Jul.-2012 to Nov.-2013 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: 07.10.2024

SUBMISSION OF COMPLAINANT DURING HEARING

The complainant is a consumer under REC section of Sub-division-II, Balangir. The consumer represented that he was served with average bills from Jul-2012 to Nov-2013 due to meter defective. For that, the arrear has been accumulated to ₹80,210.80p 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 Jul-2012 to Nov-2013 was due to meter defective for that period. A new meter with sl. no. 2663059 has been installed during Nov.-2013, thereafter actual billing has done. As the above-stated period bill has not 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 1.5 KW. The consumer has availed power supply prior to Apr-1999 and the arrear outstanding upto Aug.-2024 is ₹ 80,210.80p. As complained by the complainant and submission of OP, it is observed by the Forum that,

1. As represented by the representative of the consumer, due to meter defective, he was served with average bills from Jul.-2012 to Nov.-2013 which needs bill revision.

The OP admitted the complaint and submitted that a new meter has been installed with meter no. 2663059 during Nov.-2013 and thereafter actual billing has done. 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 one year. 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 ₹ 38,813.84p 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 ₹80,210.80p 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 convinced with the proposed withdrawal amount of ₹ 38,813.84p. 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.

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OPTED MEMBER (Fin.)

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1. Sri Suresh Meher, At/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.

The order is also available at TPWODL Web site: tpwesternodisha.com → customer zone → Grievance Redressal Forum → BOLANGIR → (GRF CASE NO.)

"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."

