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

Memo No.GRF/BGR/Order/

Dated, the 30/

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Er. Kumuda Bandhu Sahu Sri Krupasindhu Padhee

President

Co-Opted Member

1	Case No.	Complaint Case No. BGR/728	8/2024		200		
	Complainant/s	Name & Address		Consumer No	Consumer No Contact No		
2		Sri Lingaraj Behera,		911212020204 993753511		5112	
		At/Po-Sargad,					
		Via-Loisingha,					
		Dist-Bolangir					
		Name S.D.O (Elect.), No. II, TPWODL, Bolangir		Division			
3	Respondent/s			Bolangir Electrical Division, TPWODL, Bolangir			
4	Date of Application	20.11.2024					
	In the matter of-	1. Agreement/Termination	2. Billin	2. Billing Disputes √		1	
		3. Classification/Reclassi-	4. Cont	4. Contract Demand / Connected			
		fication of Consumers		Load			
		5. Disconnection /	100000000000000000000000000000000000000	6. Installation of Equipment &			
		Reconnection of Supply 7. Interruptions		apparatus of Consumer 8. Metering			
5		9. New Connection		10. Quality of Supply & GSOP			
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		equipmer			nents		
		13. Transfer of Consumer	14. Volt	14. Voltage Fluctuations			
		Ownership					
		15. Others (Specify) –					
6	Section(s) of Electricity						
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 Clause Standard of Performance) Regulations, 2004;					
		 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 Others 					
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8	Date(s) of Hearing	20.11.2024		1			
9	Date of Order	30.11.2024					
10	Order in favour of	Complainant Respondent Others					
11	Details of Compens	1 - 1					
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CO-OPTED MEMBER

Place of Hearing:

Camp Court at Chhatamakhna

Appeared:

For the Complainant

-Sri Lingaraj Behera

For the Respondent

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

Complaint Case No. BGR/728/2024

Sri Lingaraj Behera, At/Po-Sargad, Via-Loisingha, Dist-Bolangir Con. No. 911212020204 **COMPLAINANT**

-Versus-

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

TPWODL, Bolangir

BOLANGIR

ORDER (Dt.30.11.2024)

HISTORY OF THE CASE

The Complainant is a LT-Dom. consumer availing a CD of 1.5 KW. He has disputed about the average bills raised from Feb-Mar/2001 to Jun-Jul/2005 due to no meter in his premises. Also, there is an billing error from Mar-21 to June-22 due to late meter data updation .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: 20.11.2024

SUBMISSION OF COMPLAINANT DURING HEARING

The complainant is a consumer under Chhatamakhna Section of Sub-division No-II,Bolangir. The consumer represented that he was served with average bills from Feb-Mar/2001 to Jun-Jul/2005 due to no meter in his premises. Also, there is billing error from Mar-21 to June-22 due to late meter data updation. For that erroneous bills, the arrear has been accumulated to ₹ 46017.89p upto Oct-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 prior to Apr-1999. The billing dispute raised by the complainant for the average billing due to no meter in his premises and late meter updation has not been revised, it needs bill revision.

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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 prior to Apr-1999 and the arrear outstanding upto Oct-2024 is ₹ 46017.89p. 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 Feb-Mar/2001 to Jun-Jul/2005 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. A new meter with sl. no. 1903389 was installed during Aug-Sep/2005, thereafter actual billing was done. Due to billing with unmetered status, the consumer was served with average bills from Feb-Mar/2001 to Jun-Jul/2005 resulting accumulation of arrear outstanding.

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 ₹8,872.20p is to be withdrawn from the arrear outstanding.

2. The consumer was billed erroneously from Mar-2021 to Jun-2022 which leads to accumulation of arrear outstanding. As submitted by OP, a new meter has been installed by OP with meter no. LW537566 on 23rd Mar. 2021 but due to delay in updation of meter protocol data, the KWH reading has been captured in Jun.-2022 with CMR: 1509.

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 was recalculated with the consumption and an amount of ₹ 1,100.61p is to be withdrawn from the arrear outstanding.

3. The complainant has not paid the monthly bill regularly for which the arrear has been accumulated to ₹ 46,017.89p upto Oct.-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 $\stackrel{?}{\underset{?}{|}}$ 9,972.81p ($\stackrel{?}{\underset{?}{|}}$ 8,872.20p + $\stackrel{?}{\underset{?}{|}}$ 1,100.61p)p. Hence, the Forum directed the OP to carry-out the revision proposal and must be reflected in the next bill.

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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.PADITE CO-OPTED MEMBER K.B.SAHU PRESIDENT

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- 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.)

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