

# **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/ //33

Dated, the 26/12/2024

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Er. Kumuda Bandhu Sahu Sri Prasanta Kumar Sahoo PresidentMember (Finance)

Sri Krupasindhu Padhee

- Co-Opted Member

1	Case No.	Complaint Case No. BGR/768/2024					
	Complainant/s	Name & Address			Consumer No Contact No.		No.
		Sri Santosh Racti,		912313080609	9178568003		
2		For Sri Khageswar Bag,					
		At-Chancherbeng, Po-Sarmuhan,					
-		Via-Belpadda, Dist-Bolangir					
	Respondent/s	Name S.D.O (Elect.), TPWODL, Patnagarh			Division Titilagarh Electrical Division,		
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				TPWODL, Titilagarh			
4	Date of Application	17.12.2024					
5	In the matter of-	1. Agreement/Termination		2. Billir	ing Disputes   √		
		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 10. Quality of Supply & GSOP			
					ting of Service Connection &		
					ipments		
					age Fluctuations		
		Ownership					
		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, 200 Clause  3. OERC Conduct of Business) Regulations, 2004; Clause					
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		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	17.12.2024					
9	Date of Order	26.12.2024					
10	Order in favour of	Complainant √ Respond	ent		C	thers	
11	Details of Compensation Nil						
	awarded, if any.						

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MEMBER (Fin.)

PRESIDENT

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Place of Hearing:

Camp Court at Mandal

Appeared:

For the Complainant

-Sri Santosh Raeti

For the Respondent

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

### Complaint Case No. BGR/768/2024

Sri Santosh Raeti, For Sri Khageswar Bag, At-Chancherbeng, Po-Sarmuhan, Via-Belpada, Dist-Bolangir Con. No. 912313080609 COMPLAINANT

-Versus-

Sub-Divisional Officer, Electrical Sub-Division, OPPOSITE PARTY

TPWODL, Patnagarh

BOLANGIR

TPWOD'

ORDER (Dt.26.12.2024)

HISTORY OF THE CASE

The Complaint petition filed by the representative of the consumer Shri Santosh Raeti who is a LT-Dom. consumer availing a CD of 2 KW. He was disputed about the average bill raised from Aug-2018 to Nov-2021. He has filed 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: 17.12.2024

### SUBMISSION OF COMPLAINANT DURING HEARING

The complainant is a consumer under Belpada section of Patnagarh Sub-division. The complainant represented that he was served with average bill from Aug-2018 to Nov-2021 due to meter defective. For that, the total outstanding has been accumulated to ₹ 30,810.47p upto Nov.-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 Mar-2009. The billing dispute raised by the complainant for the average billing from Aug-2018 to Nov-2021 was due to meter defective for that period. A new meter with sl. no. WLT265237 has been installed during Dec-2021, thereafter actual billing has been done. A bill revision has already been done for the period Dec-2019 to Oct-2021 with an withdrawal amount of ₹ 9,925.65 in Mar-2023. 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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#### 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 since 25<sup>th</sup> Mar. 2009 and total outstanding upto Nov.-2024 is ₹ 30,810.47p. 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 Aug-2018 to Nov-2021 which needs bill revision.

The OP admitted the complaint and submitted that a new meter has been installed with meter no. WLT265237 during Dec-2021 and thereafter actual billing has been done. Also, a bill revision was done for the period Dec-2019 to Oct-2021 and withdrawn ₹ 9,925.65 in Mar-2023. The average billing period from Aug-2018 to Nov-2019 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 fourteen 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 ₹ 5,750.16p is to be withdrawn from the arrear outstanding.

2. The complainant has not paid the monthly bill regularly for which the total has been accumulated to ₹ 30,810.47p upto Nov.-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  $\stackrel{?}{\underset{?}{|}}$  5,750.16p. 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.SAHOO MEMBER (Fin.) K.B.ŞAHU PRESIDENT

Copy to: -

- 1. Sri Santosh Raeti, At-Chancherbeng, Po-Sarmuhan, Via-Belpada, 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.

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."

