

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/ 1168

Dated, the 27/12/2024

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Er. Kumuda Bandhu Sahu

Sri Prasanta Kumar Sahoo Sri Krupasindhu Padhee President

Member (Finance)
Co-Opted Member

1	Case No.	Complaint Case No. BGR/79	94/2	2024				
	Complainant/s	Name & Address			Consumer No	Contac	t No.	
2		Sri Bhagabana Jhankar,			915202170437			
		For Smt. Prema Jhankar,						
		At/Po-Kalapathar, Via-B.M.Pur,						
		Dist-Sonepur						
=		Name			Division			
3	Respondent/s	S.D.O (Elect.), TPWODL, B.M.Pur			Sonepur Electrical Division, TPWODL, Sonepur			
4	Date of Application	20.12.2024						
5	In the matter of-	1. Agreement/Termination		2. Billing Disputes √			1	
		3. Classification/Reclassi-	- 1	4. Cont	. Contract Demand / Connected			
		fication of Consumers			Load			
		5. Disconnection /			. Installation of Equipment &			
		Reconnection of Supply			apparatus of Consumer			
		7. Interruptions			6. Metering 0. Quality of Supply & GSOP			
		9. New Connection 11. Security Deposit / Interest		12. Shifting of Service Connection &				
		11. Security Deposit / Interest		equipments				
		13. Transfer of Consumer		14. Voltage 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; Clause(s) 155, 157						
	with Clauses							
		2. OERC Distribution (Licensee's Standard of Performance) Regulations,2004; Clause						
		2001	ulations 2004: Clause					
		 OERC Conduct of Business) Regulations,2004; Clause 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	20.12.2024			, t =			
9	Date of Order	27.12.2024						
10	Order in favour of	Complainant √ Respond	0	thers				
11	Details of Compens	ation Nil						
	awarded, if any.							

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PRESIDENT

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Place of Hearing:

Camp Court at B.M.Pur

Appeared:

For the Complainant

-Sri Bhagabana Jhankar

For the Respondent

-Sri Soumya Ranjan Das, S.D.O (Elect.), B.M.Pur

Complaint Case No. BGR/794/2024

Sri Bhagabana Jhankar, For Smt. Prema Jhankar, At/Po-Kalapathar, Via-B.M.Pur, Dist-Sonepur Con. No. 915202170437

COMPLAINANT

-Versus-

Sub-Divisional Officer, Electrical Sub-Division, PWODL, B.M.Pur

BOLANGIR

OPPOSITE PARTY

ORDER (Dt.27.12.2024)

HISTORY OF THE CASE

The Complaint petition filed by the representative of the consumer Shri Bhagaban Jhankar who is a LT-Dom. consumer availing a CD of 0.14 KW. He was disputed about the average bill raised from the date of power supply to Aug-Sep-2016. 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: 20.12.2024

SUBMISSION OF COMPLAINANT DURING HEARING

The complainant is a consumer under B M Pur section of B M Pur Sub-division. The complainant represented that he was served with average bill from the date of power supply to Aug-Sep/2016 with meter defective status. For that, the total outstanding has been accumulated to ₹31,432.40p 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 Apr-2013. The billing dispute raised by the complainant for the average billing from Jul-Aug/2013 to Aug-Sep/2016 was due to wrong punching of meter status from OK meter to defective meter by the concerned meter reader. The matter was identified in Oct-Nov/2016 and the consumer was billed with CMR: 992. The average billing period has not yet revised which 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 2 KW. The consumer has availed power supply since 12th Apr. 2013 and total outstanding upto Nov.-2024 is ₹ 31,432.40p. As complained by the complainant and submission of OP, it is observed by the Forum that,

1. As represented by the consumer, average bill was raised with meter defective status for the period 12th Apr. 2013 to Aug-Sep/2016 which needs bill revision.

The OP admitted the complaint and submitted that due to wrong punching of meter status by the concerned meter reader, the consumer billed on average basis from Jul-Aug/2013 to Aug-Sep/2016. The meter status was rectified in Oct-Nov/2016 with CMR: 992. Thereafter actual billing has been done. The defective billing period needs bill revision as per actual consumption of the meter.

In the instant case, it is surprised that the OP has allowed the consumer to continue with defective meter status for more than three years where the meter was running with OK status in the field for which the consumer was raised dispute. Due to delay in resolve the grievances by the OP, average billing was done which could have been avoided 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 ₹ 24,107.74p 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 ₹ 31,432.40p 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 ₹ 24,107.74p. 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.PADDEE CO-OPTED MEMBER

P.K.SAHOO MEMBER (Fin.) K.B.SAHU PRESIDENT

Copy to: -

- 1. Sri Bhagabana Jhankar, At/Po-Kalapathar, Via-B.M.Pur, Dist-Sonepur.
- 2. Sub-Divisional Officer, Electrical Sub-Division, TPWODL, B.M.Pur.
- 3. DFM/ AFM/ JFM, Sonepur Electrical Division, TPWODL, Sonepur.
- 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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