

# GRIEVANCE REDRESSAL FORUM, BOLANGIR

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Memo No.GRF/BGR/Order/\_\_\_\_\_61

Dated, the 25/01/2024

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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 Coss No. 1050/20	22				
-	Case III.	Complaint Case No. 1050/2023					
2	Complainant/s	Name & Address			Consumer No Contact N		
		Sri Purusottam Sahu,		912124050841	9556211	1119	
2		At/Po-Bhursaguda,					
		Via-Sindhekela,					
		Dist-Bolangir					
3	Respondent/s	Name S.D.O (Elect.), TPWODL, Titilagarh			Division		
3					Titilagarh Electrical Division,		
4	Date of Application	06.11.2023		TPWODL, Titilagarh			
7	Date of Application						
	In the matter of-			2. Billing Disputes √			
		3. Classification/Reclassi-		4. Contract Demand / Connected			
		fication of Consumers  5. Disconnection /		Load 6. Installation of Equipment &			
		Reconnection of Supply		6. Installation of Equipment & apparatus of Consumer			
5		7. Interruptions		8. Metering			
3		9. New Connection	10. Qu	10. Quality of Supply & GSOP			
		11. Security Deposit / Interest 12. Shifting of Service Connection &			-		
		13. Transfer of Consumer	equipments				
		13. Transfer of Consumer Ownership	14. Vo	14. Voltage Fluctuations			
		15. Others (Specify) –					
6	Section(a) of Electricity						
7	Section(s) of Electricity						
/	OERC Regulation(s) with Clauses	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 Clause Standard of Performance) Regulations,2004;					
		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					
8	Date(s) of Hearing	6. Others 06.11.2023					
9	Date of Order					Na.	
-		25.01.2024					
10	Order in favour of	Complainant √ Respondent Others			Others		
11	Details of Compensation Nil						
	awarded, if any.						

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PRESIDENT

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Place of Hearing:

Camp Court at Sindhekela

Appeared:

For the Complainant

-Sri Purusottam Sahu

For the Respondent

-Sri Sushanta Behera, S.D.O (Elect.), Titilagarh

## Complaint Case No. 1050/2023

Sri Purusottam Sahu, At/Po-Bhursaguda, Via-Sindhekela, Dist-Bolangir Con. No. 912124050841 **COMPLAINANT** 

-Versus-

Sub-Divisional Officer, Electrical Sub-Division, TPWODL, Titilagarh **OPPOSITE PARTY** 

# ORDER (Dt.25.01.2024)

### **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 Oct-2021 to Nov.-2023. 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: 06.11.2023

#### SUBMISSION OF COMPLAINANT DURING HEARING

The complainant is a consumer under Sindhekela Section of Titilagarh Sub-division. The consumer represented that he was served with average bills from Aug.-2021 to Nov-2023. 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 billing abstract only. On defence, he intimated that the consumer is a LT-Domestic consumer availing power supply since Mar.-2014. The billing dispute raised by the complainant for the average billing from Aug.-2021 to Nov-2023 was due to meter defective for that period. A new smart meter with sl. no. TWSP51093122 has been installed on 07<sup>th</sup> Dec. 2023, thereafter actual billing is going on. As the above-stated average billing 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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## 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 14<sup>th</sup> Mar. 2023 and the arrear outstanding upto Nov.-2023 is ₹. 49,739.43p. As complained by the complainant and submission of OP, it is observed by the Forum that,

- 1. Due to meter defective, the consumer was served with average bills from Aug.-2021 to Nov.-2023 with meter no. 01491572 resulting accumulation of arrear outstanding.
- 2. The OP submitted that power supply to the consumer was disconnected on 15<sup>th</sup> Oct. 2023 and reconnected on 06<sup>th</sup> Nov. 2023 with payment of ₹. 20,000/- and RC fees.
- 3. The OP has replaced the defective meter with a new smart meter with meter no. TWSP51093122 on 07<sup>th</sup> Dec. 2023 and thereafter actual billing has done. In the instant case, it is surprised that the OP has allowed the consumer to continue with defective meter for more than two years. In the above case, 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.
- 4. The OP has submitted that as the disputed billing period has not yet revised, it needs bill revision as per consumption of new meter.
- On scrutiny of the documents, it is observed by the Forum that the bills raised during meter defective period needs bill revision under Cl-155 and 157 of OERC Distribution Code-2019 to redress the consumer grievances.

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.

- 1. The energy bills raised to the consumer from Dec-2021 to Nov-2023 are to be revised as per succeeding six months average consumption of new meter by considering IMR: 0 (07.12.2023) & FMR of Jun-2024 under Cl-155 & 157 of OERC Regulation Code 2019.
- 2. DPS is to be levied as per OERC Regulation.
- 3. All sundries and adjustments are to be considered during the above revision period.

Case is disposed off accordingly.

Compliance report must be submitted to the Forum by the opposite party within six months after receipt of GRF order otherwise it will be treated as non-compliance.

K.S.PADITEE CO-OPTED MEMBER P.K.SAHOO MEMBER (Fin.)

K.B.SAHÜ PRESIDENT

Copy to: -

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- 2. Sub-Divisional Officer, Electrical Sub-Division, TPWODL, Titilagarh.
- 3. DFM/ AFM/ JFM, Titilagarh Electrical Division, TPWODL, Titilagarh.
- 4. Superintending Engineer, Electrical Circle, TPWODL, Bolangir.
- 5. Chief Legal, Head Quarter Office, TPWODL, Burla.

"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."