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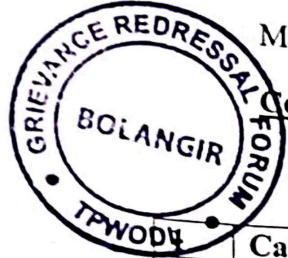
Memo No. GRF/BGR/Order/ 33 (5)

Dated, the 11/01/2024

Forum:

Er. Kumuda Bandhu Sahu
Sri Prasanta Kumar Sahoo
Sri Krupasindhu Padhee

- President
- Member (Finance)
- Co-Opted Member



2	Complainant/s	Complaint Case No. 1095/2023		Consumer No	Contact No.
		Name & Address		911524120033	7894879299
		Sri Hrudananda Seth, At-Budabahal, Po-Bandhpada, Dist-Bolangir			
3	Respondent/s	Name S.D.O (Elect.), TPWODL, Tusura		Division Bolangir Electrical Division, TPWODL, Bolangir	
4	Date of Application	17.11.2023			
5	In the matter of-	1. Agreement/Termination	2. Billing Disputes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
		3. Classification/Reclassification of Consumers	4. Contract Demand / Connected Load		
		5. Disconnection / Reconnection of Supply	6. Installation of Equipment & apparatus of Consumer		
		7. Interruptions	8. Metering		
		9. New Connection	10. Quality of Supply & GSOP		
		11. Security Deposit / Interest	12. Shifting of Service Connection & equipments		
		13. Transfer of Consumer Ownership	14. Voltage Fluctuations		
		15. Others (Specify) -			
6	Section(s) of Electricity Act, 2003 involved				
7	OERC Regulation(s) with Clauses	1. OERC Distribution (Conditions of Supply) Code,2019; Clause(s) 155, 157			
		2. OERC Distribution (Licensee's Standard of Performance) Regulations,2004; Clause			
		3. OERC Conduct of Business) Regulations,2004; Clause			
		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	17.11.2023			
9	Date of Order	11.01.2024			
10	Order in favour of	Complainant	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Respondent	Others
11	Details of Compensation awarded, if any.	Nil			

CO-OPTED MEMBER

MEMBER (Fin.)

PRESIDENT

Place of Hearing: Camp Court at Budabahal

Appeared:

For the Complainant
For the Respondent

-Sri Hrudananda Seth
-Sri Sanjeeb Kumar Padhi, S.D.O (Elect.), Tusura

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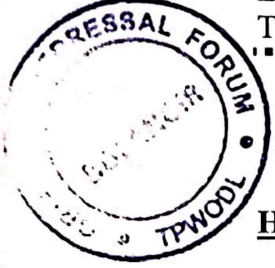
Sri Hrudananda Seth,
At-Budabahal,
Po-Bandhpada,
Dist-Bolangir
Con. No. 911524120033

- **COMPLAINANT**

-Versus-

Sub-Divisional Officer,
Electrical Sub-Division,
TPWODL, Tusura

- **OPPOSITE PARTY**



ORDER
(Dt.11.01.2024)

HISTORY OF THE CASE

The Complainant is a LT-Dom. consumer availing a CD of 1.5 KW. He has disputed the average bill raised from Feb-Mar/2006 to Aug-Sep/2018 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: 17.11.2023

SUBMISSION OF COMPLAINANT DURING HEARING

The complainant is a consumer under Deogaon Section of Tusura Sub-division. The consumer represented that he was served with average bills from Feb-Mar/2006 to Aug-Sep/2018 due to meter defective. For such, the arrear has accumulated to ₹. 84,452.34p upto Oct-2023. The complainant 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 billing ledger. 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 Feb-Mar/2006 to Aug-Sep/2018 was due to meter defective for that period. A new meter with sl. no. LW082908 has been installed on 07th Nov. 2018, thereafter actual billing is going on. As the bill for the above-stated period 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.

CO-OPTED MEMBER

MEMBER (Fin.)

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 Oct-2023 is ₹. 84,452.34p. 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 Feb-Mar/2006 to Aug-Sep/2018 with meter no. 1871063 resulting accumulation of arrear outstanding.
2. In the instant case, it is surprised that the OP has allowed the consumer to continue with defective meter for more than twelve years. Due to delay in installation of new meter, average billing has been 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.
3. A new meter has been installed by OP with meter no. LW082908 on 07th Nov. 2018, thereafter actual billing has been done.
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.
5. On scrutiny of the documents, it is observed by the Forum that the bills raised during meter defective period needs bill revision under CI-155 & 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-2016 to Nov-2018 are to be revised as per succeeding six months average consumption of new meter by considering IMR: 0 (07.11.2018) & FMR: 25 (May-2019) under CI-155 & 157 of OERC Distribution 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 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. SAHU
PRESIDENT

Copy to: -

1. Sri Hrudananda Seth, At-Budabahal, Po-Bandhpada, Dist-Bolangir.
2. Sub-Divisional Officer, Electrical Sub-Division, TPWODL, Tusura.
3. DFM/ AFM/ JFM, Bolangir Electrical Division, TPWODL, Bolangir.
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:Bhoingar, Bhubaneswar-751022 within 30 days from the date of order of the Grievance Redressal Forums."