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Bench: Er. Kumuda Bandhu Sahu (President),

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

Memo No.GRF/BGR/Order/_

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Dated, the 25/01/2024

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Er. Kumuda Bandhu Sahu

Sri Prasanta Kumar Sahoo

President

Member (Finance)

Sri Krupasindhu Padhee - Co-Opted Member

1	Case No.	Complaint Case No. 1222/2023				
	Complainant/s	Name & Address		Consumer No	Contact No.	
		Sri Chudamani Rana,		911212110124	9668254913	
2		At-Jharmunda,				
		Po-Pardhiapali,				
		Dist-Bolangir				
		Name			Division	
3	Respondent/s	S.D.O (Elect.), No. II, TPWODL,		Bolangir Electrical Division,		
				TPWODL, Bolangir		
4	Date of Application	19.12.2023				
5	In the matter of-	1. Agreement/Termination	2. Bill	2. Billing Disputes √		
		3. Classification/Reclassi-	4. Con	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		
		11. Security Deposit / Interest	10. Qua	12. Shifting of Service Connection &		
		The 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					
		 OERC Distribution (Licensee's Standard of Performance) Regulations,2004 Clause 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 				
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		6. Others				
8	Date(s) of Hearing	19.12.2023				
9	Date of Order	25.01.2024				
10	Order in favour of	Complainant ✓ Responde	ent		Others	
11	Details of Compensation Nil					
	awarded, if any.					

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PRESIDENT PRESIDENT

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Place of Hearing:

Camp Court at Kusang

Appeared:

For the Complainant

-Sri Chudamani Rana

For the Respondent

-Sri Srikanta Satpathy, AFM (Auth. Representative)

Complaint Case No. 1222/2023

Sri Chudamani Rana, At-Jharmunda, Po-Pardhiapali, Dist-Bolangir

Con. No. 911212110124

COMPLAINANT

-Versus-

Sub-Divisional Officer, Electrical Sub-Division, No. II, TPWODL, Bolangir

OPPOSITE PARTY

ORDER (Dt.25.01.2024)

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 Sep-2021 to Aug-2022 due to meter defective. Also, inflated bill of 1082 units was served in Sep-2022. 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: 19.12.2023

SUBMISSION OF COMPLAINANT DURING HEARING

The complainant is a consumer under Chatamakhna Section of Sub-division II, Balangir. The consumer represented that he was served with average bills from Nov-2021 to Aug-2022 due to meter defective. Also, during Sep-2022, a bill for 1082 units was served. For such, the arrear has accumulated to ₹. 12,482.35p upto Dec-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-Dom. consumer availing power supply since Mar-2008. The billing dispute raised by the complainant for the average billing from Nov-2021 to Aug-2022 is due to meter defective for that period. A new meter with sl. no. TPWODL1019719 has been installed on 31st Jan. 2022. Due to delay in meter protocol, the KWH reading has been captured in the bill of Sep-2022 with CMR: 1315. Thereafter actual billing is going on. 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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PRESIDENT

No 02 (01/4)

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 since 03rd Mar. 2008 and the arrear outstanding upto Dec.-2023 is ₹. 12,482.35p. 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 Nov-2021 to Aug-2022 with meter no. 300044 resulting accumulation of arrear outstanding.
- 2. A new meter has been installed by OP with meter no. TPWODL1019719 on 31st Jan. 2022 but due to delay in updation of meter protocol data, the KWH reading has been captured in Sep-2022 with CMR: 1315. Accordingly, on delay in meter updation revision has been done in Sep-2022 with credit of ₹. 2,602.63p.
- 3. In the instant case, it is observed that the OP has made delay in updation of meter protocol data for which average bill was served which is a serious negligence on the part of OP for which it is advised to be taken care in future.
- 4. As submitted by OP, bill revision from Sep-2021 to Jan-2022 is required to redress the consumer grievances.
- 5. 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 & 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 Nov-2021 to Jan.-2022 are to be revised as per succeeding months average consumption of new meter by considering IMR: 0 (31.01.2022) & FMR: 1315 (Sep-2022) under Cl-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

MEMBER (Fin.)

PRESIDENT

Copy to: -

- 1. Sri Chudamani Rana, At-Jharmunda, Po-Pardhiapali, Dist-Bolangir.
- 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.

"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."