

# GRIEVANCE REDRESSAL FORUM, BOLANGIR

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Memo No.GRF/BGR/Order/

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Dated, the 22/02/20

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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/123/2024   |     |                                      |  |   |          |  |
|----|---|---|-----|--------------------------------------|--|---|----------|--|
|    | Complainant/s   | Name & Address  |     |                                      | Consumer No Contact No.                        |   | No.      |  |
| 2  |   | Smt. Bhitangini Agasti,   |     |                                      | 912313040095                                   | _ | į-       |  |
|    |   | For Sri Gopinath Agasti,  |     |                                      | ,  |   |          |  |
|    |   | At/Po-Mandal,   |     |                                      |  |   | - 1      |  |
|    |   | Dist-Bolangir   |     |                                      |  |   |          |  |
| 7  |   | Name Division   |     |                                      |  |   |          |  |
| 3  | Respondent/s  | S.D.O (Elect.), TPWODL, Patnagarh   |     |                                      | Titagarh Electrical Division, TPWODL, Titagarh |   |          |  |
| 4  | Date of Application   | 06.02.2024  |     |                                      |  |   |          |  |
|    | In the matter of-   | 1. Agreement/Termination  | 2   | 2. Billing Disputes   √              |  |   | <b>√</b> |  |
|    |   | 3. Classification/Reclassi-   | 4   | 4. Contract Demand / Connected       |  |   |          |  |
|    |   | fication of Consumers   |     | Load                                 |  |   |          |  |
|    |   | 5. Disconnection /  | 16  | 6. Installation of Equipment &       |  |   |          |  |
|    |   | Reconnection of Supply 7. Interruptions   | - 6 | apparatus of Consumer  8. Metering   |  |   |          |  |
| 5  |   | 9. New Connection   |     | 10. Quality of Supply & GSOP         |  |   |          |  |
|    |   | 11. Security Deposit / Interest   |     | 12. Shifting of Service Connection & |  |   |          |  |
|    |   | equipments  |     |                                      |  |   |          |  |
|    |   | 13. Transfer of Consumer  | 1   | 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; |   |     |                                      |  |   |          |  |
|    | with Clauses  | Clause(s) 155, 157  2. OERC Distribution (Licensee's Standard of Performance) Regulations 2004. |     |                                      |  |   |          |  |
|    |   | 2. OERC Distribution (Licensee's Standard of Performance) Regulations,2004;                     |     |                                      |  |   |          |  |
|    |   | 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,                         |     |                                      |  |   |          |  |
|    |   | Clause  |     |                                      |  |   |          |  |
| 0  | Data(a) of Haarin   | 6. Others   |     |                                      |  |   |          |  |
| 8  | Date(s) of Hearing  | 06.02.2024  |     |                                      |  |   |          |  |
| 9  | Date of Order   | 22.02.2024  |     |                                      |  |   |          |  |
| 10 | Order in favour of  | Complainant √ Respondent Others   |     |                                      |  |   |          |  |
| 11 | Details of Compensation Nil   |   |     |                                      |  |   |          |  |
|    | awarded, if any.  |   |     |                                      |  |   |          |  |

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MEMBER (Fin.)

PRESIDENT

Place of Hearing:

Camp Court at Mandal

#### Appeared:

For the Complainant

-Smt. Bhitangini Agasti

For the Respondent

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

### Complaint Case No. BGR/123/2024

Smt. Bhitangini Agasti, For Sri Gopinath Agasti, At/Po-Mandal, Dist-Bolangir Con. No. 912313040095

**COMPLAINANT** 

-Versus-

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

**OPPOSITE PARTY** 

#### ORDER (Dt.22.02.2024)

#### **HISTORY OF THE CASE**

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The Complainant is a LT-Dom. consumer availing a CD of 2.2 KW. He has disputed about the average bills raised from Jun-2011 to Aug-2013 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: 06.02.2024

### SUBMISSION OF COMPLAINANT DURING HEARING

The complainant is a consumer under Belpada Section of Patnagarh Sub-division. The consumer represented that he was served with average bills from Jun-2011 to Aug-2013 due to meter defective. For such average bill, the arrear has accumulated to ₹. 22,587.86p upto Jan-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 billing abstract only. On defence, he intimated that the consumer is a LT-Domestic consumer availing power supply prior to Apr-1999. The billing dispute raised by the complainant for the average billing from Jun-2011 to Aug-2013 is due to meter defective for that period. A new meter with sl. no. 10050351 has been installed during Sep-2013, thereafter actual billing was done. 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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PRESIDENT

### FINDINGS AND ANALYSIS OF THE FORUM

The consumer is a LT-Dom. consumer with a CD of 2.2 KW. The consumer has availed power supply prior to Apr-1999 and the arrear outstanding upto Jan-2024 is ₹. 22,587.86p. 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 Jun-2011 to Aug-2013 with meter no. 0309000790 resulting accumulation of arrear outstanding.
- 2. A new meter has been installed by OP with meter no. 10050351 during Sep-2013, thereafter actual billing was 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 was installed the meter without delay for which it is advised to the OP to be taken care in future.
- 3. The complainant has not paid the monthly bill regularly for which the arrear has accumulated to ₹. 22,587.86p upto Jan-2024.
- 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 Cl-155 and 157 of OERC Regulation 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 Sep-2011 to Aug-2013 are to be revised as per succeeding six months average consumption of new meter by considering IMR: 51 (Oct-2023) & FMR: 295 (Mar-2014) under Cl-155 & 157 of OERC Regulation 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.

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P.K.\$AHÒO MEMBER (Fin.)

(Fin.) PRESIDENT

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- 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.

"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."



