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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/ 237⁽⁵⁾

Dated, the 26/02/2024

Corum: Er. Kumuda Bandhu Sahu
Sri Prasanta Kumar Sahoo

- President
- Member (Finance)

1	Case No.	Complaint Case No. BGR/149/2024			
2	Complainant/s	Name & Address Sri Karna Nag, For Sri Radhika Nag, At-Gandharla, Po-Chandotara, Via-Sindhekela, Dist-Bolangir	Consumer No 912124101791	Contact No. 7681815111	
3	Respondent/s	Name S.D.O (Elect.), TPWODL, Titilagarh	Division Titilagarh Electrical Division, TPWODL, Titilagarh		
4	Date of Application	09.02.2024			
5	In the matter of-	1. Agreement/Termination	2. Billing Disputes	✓	
		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) <u>155, 157</u> 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	09.02.2024			
9	Date of Order	26.02.2024			
10	Order in favour of	Complainant	✓	Respondent	Others
11	Details of Compensation awarded, if any.	Nil			

26/02/24
MEMBER (Fin.)

26/02/24
PRESIDENT

Place of Hearing: Camp Court at Sindhekela

Appeared:

For the Complainant -Sri Karna Nag
For the Respondent -Sri Sushanta Ku. Behera, S.D.O (Elect.), Titilagarh

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For Sri Radhika Nag,
At-Gandharla, Po-Chandotara,
Via-Sindhekela, Dist-Bolangir
Con. No. 912124101791

- **COMPLAINANT**

-Versus-

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

- **OPPOSITE PARTY**

ORDER
(Dt.26.02.2024)

HISTORY OF THE CASE

The Complainant is a LT-Dom. consumer availing a CD of 0.5 KW. He has disputed the inflated bill raised in May-2019 with 1790 unit & Oct-2019 with 2001 units. 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: 09.02.2024

SUBMISSION OF COMPLAINANT DURING HEARING

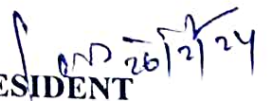
The complainant is a consumer under Sindhekela section of Titilagarh Sub-division. The consumer represented that he was served with inflated bill in May-2019 with 1790 units & Oct-2019 with 2001 units. For such, the arrear has been accumulated to ₹. 20,574.16p upto Jan.-2024. The complainant raised dispute 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. On defence, he intimated that the consumer is a LT-Domestic consumer availing power supply since Nov-2018. The billing dispute raised by the complainant for the inflated billing done in the month of May-2019 with 1790 units & Oct-2019 with 2001 units is genuine. This has happened due to suppressed meter reading done by concerned meter to prevent actual billing in the previous months. As the above-stated 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.


MEMBER (Fin.)


PRESIDENT



FINDINGS AND ANALYSIS OF THE FORUM

The consumer is a LT-Dom. consumer with a CD of 0.5 KW. The consumer has availed power supply since 17th Nov. 2018 and the arrear outstanding upto Jan-2024 is ₹. 20,574.16p. As complained by the complainant and submission of OP, it is observed by the Forum that,


1. Due to suppressed meter reading by the concerned meter reader in the preceding months, the consumer was billed less units than his actual consumption. This has been detected in the month of May-2019 & Oct-2019 billing and the unbilled units has been billed in the said month. Due to such bill, the arrear amount has accumulated.
2. The complainant has not paid the monthly bill regularly for which the arrear has accumulated to ₹. 20,574.16p upto Jan.-2024.
3. During the course of hearing, the OP has agreed with the billing complaints and initiate the bill revision process on the spot observing departmental guidelines. Accordingly, the monthly bill has recasted with the consumption and a net amount of ₹. 6,261.94p is to be withdrawn from the arrear outstanding.

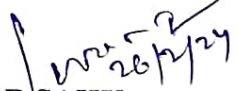
In view of above facts and circumstances and after going through the documents submitted by both the parties, the Forum pronounces the following order as per regulations of the OERC Distribution (Conditions of Supply) Code 2019.

The OP has recasted the bill and the petitioner was convinced with the proposed withdrawal amount of ₹. 6,261.94p. Hence, the Forum directed the OP to carry-out the revision proposal which 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.


P.K.SAHOO
MEMBER (Fin.)


K.B.SAHU
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.

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