

## GRIEVANCE REDRESSAL FORUM, BOLANGIR

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

Memo No.GRF/BGR/Order/ 248/51

Dated, the 27/02/2024

**Corum:** Er. Kumuda Bandhu Sahu - President  
Sri Prasanta Kumar Sahoo - Member (Finance)  
Sri Krupasindhu Padhee - Co-Opted Member

1	Case No.	Complaint Case No. BGR/158/2024			
2	Complainant/s	Name & Address		Consumer No	Contact No.
		Sri Ghasiram Rana, For Sri Nirash Rana, At-Bramhani, Po-Patrapali, Via-Muribahal, Dist-Bolangir		912213101851	9658/027575
3	Respondent/s	Name S.D.O (Elect.), TPWODL, Kantabanji	Division Titilagarh Electrical Division, TPWODL, Titilagarh		
4	Date of Application	12.02.2024			
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	12.02.2024			
9	Date of Order	27.02.2024			
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 Gudighat

**Appeared:**

**For the Complainant** -Sri Ghasiram Rana  
**For the Respondent** -Sri Jagannath Pati, S.D.O (Elect.), Kantabanji

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At-Bramhani,  
Po-Patrapali,  
Via-Muribahal,  
Dist-Bolangir  
Con. No. 912213101851

- **COMPLAINANT**

-Versus-

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

- **OPPOSITE PARTY**

**ORDER**  
**(Dt.27.02.2024)**

**HISTORY OF THE CASE**

The Complainant is a LT-Dom. consumer availing a CD of 1 KW. He has disputed about the erroneous and average bills raised from the date of supply to Sep-2022 due to no meter in his premises. 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: 12.02.2024**

**SUBMISSION OF COMPLAINANT DURING HEARING**

The complainant is a consumer under Muribahal section of Kantabanji Sub-division. The consumer represented that he was served with average bills due to no meter from the date of supply to Sep-2022. For such average bills, the arrear has accumulated to ₹. 8,515.96p 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**

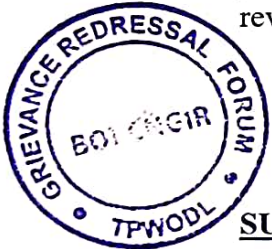
The OP appeared before the Forum without relevant documents. On defence, he intimated that the consumer is a LT-Domestic consumer availing power supply since Dec-2020. The billing dispute raised by the complainant for the average billing from the date of supply to Sep-2020 was due to non-installation of meter at the time of release of power supply. A new meter with sl. no. 300029029 has been installed during Oct.-2022, thereafter actual billing was done. As the above-stated average billing 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.

**CO-OPTED MEMBER**

**MEMBER (Fin.)**

**PRESIDENT**





## FINDINGS AND ANALYSIS OF THE FORUM

The consumer is a LT-Dom. consumer with a CD of 1 KW. The consumer has availed power supply since 06<sup>th</sup> Dec. 2020 and the arrear outstanding upto Jan-2024 is ₹. 8,515.96p. As complained by the complainant and submission of OP, it is observed by the Forum that,

1. Power supply to the consumer has been released without meter by the OP which violates Cl-97 (ii) of OERC Dist. Conditions of Supply) Code 2019 which is a gross negligence on the part of OP which should not be. The Forum has taken this as a **serious note** and warned the OP not to repeat such things in future.
2. Due to billing with unmetered status, the consumer was served with average bills from the date of supply to Sep-2022 resulting accumulation of arrear outstanding.
3. A new meter has been installed by OP with meter no. 300029029 on 17<sup>th</sup> Oct. 2022 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 one year. Due to delay in installation of new meter, average billing has 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 complainant has not paid the monthly bill regularly for which the arrear has accumulated to ₹. 8,515.96p upto Jan-2024.
5. The OP has submitted that as the disputed billing period has not yet revised, it needs bill revision as per consumption of new meter.
6. 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 Dist. (Conditions of Supply) 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.

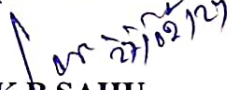
1. The energy bills raised to the consumer from the date of supply i.e. 06<sup>th</sup> Dec. 2020 to Sep-2022 are to be revised as per succeeding six months average consumption of new meter by considering IMR: 0 (17.10.2022) & FMR: 100 (Apr-2023) under CI-155 & 157 of OERC Dist. Code 2019.
2. DPS is 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

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2. Sub-Divisional Officer, Electrical Sub-Division, TPWODL, Kantabanji.
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."**