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

Memo No.GRF/BGR/Order/__251

Dated, the 27/02/2024

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Er. Kumuda Bandhu Sahu

PresidentMember (Finance)

Sri Prasanta Kumar Sahoo Sri Krupasindhu Padhee

Co-Opted Member

1	Case No.	Case No. Complaint Case No. BGR/161/2024						
	Complainant/s	Name & Address			Consumer No Contact		· No	
		Sri Rangadhar Mallik,			912213063803	775099		
2		For Sri Bana Mallik,			712213003003	113099	0393	
		At-Andaldar, Po-Badsaimara,						
		Via-Muribahal, Dist-Bolangir						
	Respondent/s	Name			Division			
3		S.D.O (Elect.), TPWODL, Kantabanji			Titilagarh Electrical Division,			
4	Date of Application	12.02.2024			TPWODL, Titilagarh			
-7	Bate of Application							
	In the matter of-	1. Agreement/Termination		2. Billing Disputes √			1	
		3. Classification/Reclassi- fication of Consumers		4. Contract Demand / Connected Load 6. Installation of Equipment & apparatus of Consumer				
		5. Disconnection /	-					
		Reconnection of Supply						
5		7. Interruptions		8. Metering				
		9. New Connection		10. Quality of Supply & GSOP				
		11. Security Deposit / Interest 12. Shift		12. Shifti	ing of Service Connection &			
		13. Transfer of Consumer 14. Volta			pments			
		Ownership		14. Voltage Fluctuations				
		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; 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						
8	Date(s) of Hearing	6. Others 12.02.2024						
9	Date of Order	27.02.2024						
10	Order in favour of	Complainent						
11	Details of Compens			Others				
11	awarded, if any.							

CO-OPTED WEMBER

MEMBER (Fin.)

PRESIDENT

Place of Hearing: Camp Court at Gudighat

Appeared:

For the Complainant

-Sri Rangadhar Mallik

For the Respondent

-Sri Jagannath Pati, S.D.O (Elect.), Kantabanji

Complaint Case No. BGR/161/2024

Sri Rangadhar Mallik, For Sri Bana Mallik,

COMPLAINANT

At-Andaldar.

At-Andaldar,

Po-Badsaimara, Via-Muribahal,

Dist-Bolangir

TPWOD

Con. No. 912213063803

-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 Nov.-2021 to Nov.-2022 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: 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 meter defective from Nov-2021 to Nov-2022. For such average bills, the arrear has accumulated to ₹. 3,728.17p 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-2018. The billing dispute raised by the complainant for the average billing from Nov-2021 to Nov-2022 was due to meter defective for that period. A new meter with sl. no. TW02032852 has been installed on 14th Dec. 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.

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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 10th Dec.-2018 and the arrear outstanding upto Jan-2024 is ₹. 3,728.17p. As complained by the complainant and submission of OP, it is observed by the Forum that,

- Due to no display in the existing meter with meter no. 1856832, the consumer was 1. served with average bills from Nov-2021 to Nov.-2022 resulting accumulation of arrear outstanding.
- A new meter has been installed by OP with meter no. TW02032852 on 14th Dec. 2. 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.
- The complainant has not paid the monthly bill regularly for which the arrear has 3. accumulated to ₹. 3,728.17p upto Jan-2024.
- The OP has submitted that as the disputed billing period has not yet revised, it needs 4. bill revision as per consumption of new meter.
- On scrutiny of the documents, it is observed by the Forum that the bills raised during 5. meter defective period needs bill revision under Cl-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 Nov.-2021 to Nov.-2022 are to be revised as per succeeding six months average consumption of new meter by considering IMR: 7 (Jan.-2023) & FMR: 162 (Jun.-2023) under Cl-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.

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- 1. Sri Rangadhar Mallik, At-Andaldar, Po-Badsaimara, Via-Muribahal, Dist-Bolangir.
- 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,"