

GRIEVANCE REDRESSAL FORUM, BOLANGIR

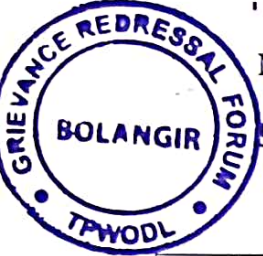
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Memo No.GRF/BGR/Order/ 297

Dated, the 29/02/2024

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Er. Kumuda Bandhu Sahu
Sri Prasanta Kumar Sahoo
Sri Krupasindhu Padhee

- President
- Member (Finance)
- Co-Opted Member

1	Case No.	Complaint Case No. BGR/175/2024			
2	Complainant/s	Name & Address		Consumer No	Contact No.
		Sri Raj Kishor Samantra, At/Po-Birmaharajpur, Champapur, Dist-Sonepur		915203010235	9937868986
3	Respondent/s	Name S.D.O (Elect.), TPWODL, B.M.Pur		Division Sonepur Electrical Division, TPWODL, Sonepur	
4	Date of Application	20.02.2024			
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) 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	20.02.2024			
9	Date of Order	29.02.2024			
10	Order in favour of	Complainant	√	Respondent	Others
11	Details of Compensation awarded, if any.	Nil			

CO-OPTED MEMBER

MEMBER (Fin.)

PRESIDENT

Place of Hearing: Camp Court at Subalaya

Appeared:

For the Complainant -Sri Raj Kishor Samantra
For the Respondent -Sri Soumya Ranjan Das, S.D.O (Elect.), B.M.Pur

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Sri Raj Kishor Samantra,
At/Po-Birmaharajpur, Champapur,
Dist-Sonepur
Con. No. 915203010235

- COMPLAINANT

-Versus-

Sub-Divisional Officer,
Electrical Sub-Division,
TPWODL, B.M.Pur

- OPPOSITE PARTY



ORDER
(Dt.29.02.2024)

HISTORY OF THE CASE

The Complainant is a LT-Dom. consumer availing a CD of 2 KW. He has disputed the inflated bill raised in Aug-Sep/2016 with 2390 units, oct-Nov/2016 with 3718 units and Dec17/Jan18 with 2409 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: 20.02.2024

SUBMISSION OF COMPLAINANT DURING HEARING

The complainant is a consumer under Subalaya Section of B M Pur Sub-division. The consumer represented that he was served with inflated bill in Aug-Sep/2016 with 2390 units, oct-Nov/2016 with 3718 units and Dec17/Jan18 with 2409 units. For that, the arrear has accumulated to ₹. 94,232.72p 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.-2004. The billing dispute raised by the complainant for the inflated billing done in the month of Aug-Sep/2016 with 2390 units, oct-Nov/2016 with 3718 units and Dec17/Jan18 with 2409 units is genuine. This has happened due to suppressed meter reading done by the 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.

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MEMBER (Fin.)

PRESIDENT

FINDINGS AND ANALYSIS OF THE FORUM

The consumer is a LT-Dom. consumer with a CD of 2 KW. The consumer has availed power supply since 17th Nov. 2004 and the arrear outstanding upto Jan.-2024 is ₹. 94,232.72p. 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 identified in the month of Sep.-2016, Nov.-2016 & Jan.-2018 billing and the unbilled units have been billed in the said month. Due to such bill, the arrear amount has accumulated.
2. 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 an amount of ₹. 8,072.60p is to be withdrawn from the arrear outstanding.

Basing on above observations, Forum passes the following direction as per Regulation of OERC Distribution (Conditions of Supply) Code 2019.

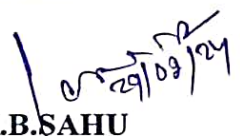
The OP has recasted the bill and the petitioner was convinced with the proposed withdrawal amount of ₹. 8,072.60p. Hence, the Forum directed the OP to carry-out the revision proposal and must be reflected in the next bill.

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.


K.S.PADHEE
CO-OPTED MEMBER


P.K.SAHOO
MEMBER (Fin.)


K.B.SAHU
PRESIDENT

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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."