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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/ 334

Dated, the 11/03/2024

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Er. Kumuda Bandhu Sahu

- President

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

1	Case No.	Complaint Case No. BGR/205/2024						
1	Case 110.	Name & Address Consumer No Contact No.						
2	Complainant/s				915203010304	8658600588		
		Sri Saswat Kumar Sahu,			915203010304	805800	0300	
		For Sri Trilochan Sahu,						
		At-Champapur, Po-B.M.Pur,						
		Dist-Sonepur						
	Respondent/s	Name S.D.O (Elect.), TPWODL, B.M.Pur				Division		
3						Sonepur Electrical Division, TPWODL, Sonepur		
4	Date of Application	04.03.2024						
	In the matter of-	1. Agreement/Term	VO. 1		2. Billing Disputes		1	
		3. Classification/Re			4. Contract Demand / Connected			
		fication of Consu 5. Disconnection	mers /		Load 6. Installation of Equipment &			
		Reconnection o				apparatus of Consumer		
		7. Interruptions	Сирріу			B. Metering		
5		9. New Connection	n		10. Quality of Supply & GSOP			
						ng of Service Connection &		
		equipments						
		13. Transfer of	Consumer		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;						
		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	04.03.2024						
9	Date of Order	11.03.2024						
10	Order in favour of	Complainant √ Respondent Others						
11	Details of Compensation Nil							
	awarded, if any.							

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MEMBER (Fin.)

PRESIDENT

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Place of Hearing:

Camp Court at Champapur

Appeared:

For the Complainant

-Sri Saswat Kumar Sahu

For the Respondent

-Sri Soumya Ranjan Das, S.D.O (Elect.), B.M.Pur

Complaint Case No. BGR/205/2024

Sri Saswat Kumar Sahu, For Sri Trilochan Sahu, At-Champapur, Po-B.M.Pur, Dist-Sonepur Con. No. 915203010304

COMPLAINANT

-Versus-

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

OPPOSITE PARTY

ORDER (Dt.11.03.2024)

HISTORY OF THE CASE

The Complainant is a LT-Dom. consumer availing a CD of 4 KW. He has disputed about the average bills raised from Apr-May/2017 to May-Jun/2019 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: 04.03.2024

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 average bills due to meter defective from Apr-May/2017 to May-Jun/2019. For that average bills, the arrear has accumulated to ₹. 62,866.53p 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 ledger pertaining to May-2011 to Jan-2024. On defence, he intimated that the consumer is a LT-Dom consumer availing power supply since Mar-2011. The billing dispute raised by the complainant for the average billing from Apr-May/2017 to May-Jun/2019 was due to meter defective during that period. A new meter with sl. no. LW313795 has been installed on 30th Apr. 2019, thereafter actual billing has been done. As the above-stated average billing period bill has not revised, it needs bill revision.

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Considering the above, the OP requested before the Forum for revision of previous disputed bills and pass order as deemed fit.

FINDINGS AND ANALYSIS OF THE FORUM

The consumer is a LT-Dom. consumer with a CD of 4 KW. The consumer has availed power supply since 01st Mar.-2011 and the arrear outstanding upto Jan-2024 is ₹. 62,866.53p. As complained by the complainant and submission of OP, it is observed by the Forum that,

- 1. Due to meter defective of the existing meter with meter no. 8167557, the consumer was served with average bills from Apr-May/2017 to May-Jun/2019 resulting accumulation of arrear outstanding.
- 2. A new meter has been installed by OP with meter no. LW313795 on 30th Apr. 2019 and 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. Due to delay in installation of new meter, average billing has been 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.
- 3. The complainant has not paid the monthly bill regularly for which the arrear has accumulated to ₹. 62,866.53 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 & 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 Jul-Aug/2017 to May-Jun/2019 are to be revised as per succeeding six months average consumption of new meter by considering IMR: 1031 (Sep-Oct/2019) & FMR: 1777 (Jan-Feb/2020) 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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Copy to: -

- 1. Sri Saswat Kumar Sahu, At-Champapur, Po-B.M.Pur, Dist-Sonepur.
- 2. Sub-Divisional Officer, Electrical Sub-Division, TPWODL, B.M.Pur.
- 3. DFM/ AFM/ JFM, Sonepur Electrical Division, TPWODL, Sonepur.
- 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."

