

## GRIEVANCE REDRESSAL FORUM, BOLANGIR

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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/ 252 (S)

Dated, the 16/03/2024

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

President

Member (Finance) Co-Opted Member

| 1                | Case No.                  | ase No. Complaint Case No. BGR/210/2024   |                                       |   |         |     |  |
|------------------|---------------------------|---|---------------------------------------|---|---------|-----|--|
| 2                | Complainant/s             | Name & Address  |                                       | Consumer No                                     | Contact | No. |  |
|                  |                           | Sri Lingaraj Meher,   |                                       | 915203040106                                    |         |     |  |
|                  |                           | At/Po-Subalaya,   |                                       |   |         |     |  |
|                  |                           | Dist-Sonepur  |                                       |   |         |     |  |
|                  |                           | Name  |                                       | Division  |         |     |  |
| 3                | Respondent/s              | S.D.O (Elect.), TPWODL, B.M.Pur   |                                       | Sonepur Electrical Division,                    |         |     |  |
|                  |                           |   | TPWODL, Sonepur                       |   |         |     |  |
| 4                | Date of Application       | 12.03.2024  |                                       |   |         |     |  |
|                  |                           | 1. Agreement/Termination  | 2. Billi                              | 2. Billing Disputes   √                         |         | 1   |  |
|                  |                           | 3. Classification/Reclassi-   |                                       | . Contract Demand / Connected                   |         |     |  |
|                  |                           | fication of Consumers   |                                       | Load  |         |     |  |
|                  |                           | 5. Disconnection /  | 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 | 6. Installation of Equipment &                  |         |     |  |
|                  |                           | Reconnection of Supply 7. Interruptions   |                                       | apparatus of Consumer . Metering                |         |     |  |
| 5                |                           | 9. New Connection   |                                       | . Quality of Supply & GSOP                      |         |     |  |
|                  |                           | 11. Security Deposit / Interest   | 12. Shif                              | 12. Shifting of Service Connection & equipments |         |     |  |
|                  |                           |   |                                       |   |         |     |  |
|                  |                           | 13. Transfer of Consumer  | 14. Volt                              | 4. Voltage Fluctuations                         |         |     |  |
|                  |                           | Ownership 15. Others (Specify) –  |                                       |   |         |     |  |
|                  |                           |   |                                       |   |         |     |  |
| 6                | Section(s) of Electricity |   |                                       |   |         |     |  |
| 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;                                    |                                       |   |         |     |  |
|                  |                           | 2. OERC Distribution (Licenses Clause   | e's Standar                           | s Standard of Performance) Regulations,2004;    |         |     |  |
|                  |                           | 3. OERC Conduct of Business) Regulations,2004; Clause   |                                       |   |         |     |  |
|                  |                           | 6; Clause   |                                       |   |         |     |  |
|                  |                           | <ul> <li>5. OERC (Terms and Conditions for Determination of Tariff) Regulations,2004;</li> <li>Clause</li> <li>6. Others</li> </ul> |                                       |   |         |     |  |
|                  |                           |   |                                       |   |         |     |  |
|                  |                           |   |                                       |   |         |     |  |
| 8                | Date(s) of Hearing        | 12.03.2024  |                                       |   |         |     |  |
| 9                | Date of Order             | 16.03.2024  |                                       |   |         |     |  |
| 10               | Order in favour of        | Complainant √ Respond   | ent                                   |   | Others  |     |  |
| 11               | Details of Compens        | ation Nil   |                                       |   |         |     |  |
| awarded, if any. |                           |   |                                       |   |         |     |  |
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CO-OPTED MEMBER

MEMBER (Fin.)

PRESIDENT

Place of Hearing:

Camp Court at Bhajabalpur

#### Appeared:

For the Complainant

-Sri Lingaraj Meher

For the Respondent

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

## Complaint Case No. BGR/210/2024

Sri Lingaraj Meher, At/Po-Subalaya, Dist-Sonepur Con. No. 915203040106

COMPLAINANT

-Versus-

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

OPPOSITE PARTY

#### ORDER (Dt.16.03.2024)

### **HISTORY OF THE CASE**

The Complainant is a LT-Dom. consumer availing a CD of 2 KW. He has disputed about the average bills raised from May-Jun/2022 to Jul-2023 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: 12.03.2024

# 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 from May-Jun/2022 to Jul-2023. For such average bills, the arrear has accumulated to ₹. 75,507.83p upto Feb.-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 Mar-2001 to Feb.-2024. On defence, he intimated that the consumer is a LT-Dom consumer availing power supply prior to Apr-1999. The billing dispute raised by the complainant for the average billing from May-Jun/2022 to Jun-2023 due to meter defective. A new meter with sl. no. TW02064223 has been installed on 28th Jul. 2023, 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 2 KW. The consumer has availed power supply prior to Apr-1999 and the arrear outstanding upto Feb.-2024 is ₹. 75,507.83p. 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. 1953972, the consumer was served with average bills from May-Jun/2022 to Jul-2023 resulting accumulation of arrear outstanding.
- 2. A new meter has been installed by OP with meter no. TW02064223 on 28<sup>th</sup> Jul. 2023 and thereafter actual billing has been 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.
- 3. The complainant has not paid the monthly bill regularly for which the arrear has accumulated to ₹. 75,507.83 upto Feb.-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 May-Jun/2022 to Jul-2023 are to be revised as per succeeding six months average consumption of new meter by considering IMR: 0 (28.07.23) & FMR: 246 (Jan.-2024) 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.

K.S.PÄDHEE CO-OPTED MEMBER P.K.SAHOO MEMBER (Fin.) K.B.SAHU PRESIDENT

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- 1. Sri Lingaraj Meher, At/Po-Subalaya, 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.

<sup>&</sup>quot;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."