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Dated, the 29/03/2024

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Er. Kumuda Bandhu Sahu

Sri Prasanta Kumar Sahoo Sri Krupasindhu Padhee President

Member (Finance)Co-Opted Member

1	Case No.	Complaint Case No. BGR/274/2024								
	Complainant/s	Name & Address				Consumer No	Contact	No.		
		Sri Giridhari Roy,				912325100876	8118078	3424		
2		For Smt. Mohini Roy,								
		At-Gadiajor, Po-Damkipali,								
		Via-Patnagarh, Dist-Bolangir								
	Respondent/s	Name					Division			
3		S.D.O (Elect.), TPWODL, Patnagarh					Titilagarh Electrical Division,			
		TPWODL, Titilagarh								
4	Date of Application	20.03.2024								
5	In the matter of-	1. Agreement/Termination 2. Billi				ng Disputes √				
		1	ssification/I			4. Contract Demand / Connected				
			tion of Con			Load				
			isconnection			6. Installation of Equipment &				
		7. Ir	econnection iterruptions	of Supply		apparatus of Consumer				
			ew Connect			8. Metering 10. Quality of Supply & GSOP				
		11. Security Deposit / Interest 12. Shifting of Service Connection &								
		equipments						nection &		
		13. Transfer of Consumer 14. Volta				age 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	vith Clauses Clause(s) 155, 157								
		2. OERC Distribution (Licensee's Standard of Performance) Regulations,2004; Clause								
		3. OERC Conduct of Business) Regulations,2004; Clause								
		 Odisha Grid Code (OGC) Regulation,2006; Clause OERC (Terms and Conditions for Determination of Tariff) Regulations,2004; Clause 								
			6. Others							
8	Date(s) of Hearing		3.2024							
9	Date of Order	29.03.2024								
10	Order in favour of	Complainant $$ Responde						Others		
11	Details of Compensation Nil									
	awarded, if any.									

CO-OPTED CHEMBER

MEMBER (Fin.)

PRESIDENT

Place of Hearing: Camp Court at Patnagarh

Appeared:

For the Complainant

-Sri Giridhari Roy

For the Respondent

-Sri Debadatta Mahapatra, S.D.O (Elect.), Patnagarh

Complaint Case No. BGR/274/2024

Sri Giridhari Roy, For Smt. Mohini Roy, At-Gadiajor, Po-Damkipali, Via-Patnagarh, Dist-Bolangir Con. No. 912325100876

COMPLAINANT

-Versus-

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

OPPOSITE PARTY

ORDER (Dt.29.03.2024)

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 Feb-2023 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: 20.03.2024

SUBMISSION OF COMPLAINANT DURING HEARING

The complainant is a consumer under ESO-III section of Patnagarh Sub-division. The consumer represented that he was served with average bills due to no meter from the date of supply to Feb-2023. For that average bills, the arrear was accumulated to ₹. 33,516.97p 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 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 the date of supply to Feb-2023 was due to non-installation of meter at the time of release of power supply. A new meter with sl. no. TW02046188 has been installed on 26th Feb. 2023, thereafter actual billing is going on. As the above-stated average billing period bill has not been revised, it needs bill revision.

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PRESIDENT

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 1 KW. The consumer has availed power supply since 16th Dec. 2018 and the arrear outstanding upto Feb.-2024 is ₹. 33,516.97p. 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.
- Due to billing with unmetered status, the consumer was served with average bills from the date of supply to Feb-2023 resulting accumulation of arrear outstanding. A new meter has been installed by OP with meter no. TW02046188 on 26th Feb. 2023 and thereafter actual billing is going on.
- 3. The complainant has not paid the monthly bill regularly for which the arrear has accumulated to ₹. 33,516.97p 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.
- 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. During the course of hearing, the OP has agreed with the billing complaints and initiated bill revision process on the spot observing departmental guidelines. Accordingly, the monthly bill has been recalculated with the consumption and an amount of ₹. 24,180.51p is to be withdrawn from the arrear outstanding.

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.

The OP has re-calculated the bill and the petitioner was convinced with the proposed withdrawal amount of ₹. 24,180.51p. Hence, the Forum directed the OP to carry-out the revision proposal which 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.

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P.K.SAHOO MEMBER (Fin.) K.B.SAHU PRESIDENT

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- 3. DFM/ AFM/ JFM, Titilagarh Electrical Division, TPWODL, Titilagarh.
- 4. Superintending Engineer, Electrical Circle, TPWODL, Bolangir.
- 5. Chief Legal, Head Quarter Office, TPWODL, Burla.

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