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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/ 445

Dated, the 29/03/2024

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Er. Kumuda Bandhu Sahu

- President

Sri Prasanta Kumar Sahoo

- Member (Finance)

Sri Krupasindhu Padhee

- Co-Opted Member

1	Case No.	Complaint Case No. BGR/288/2024		
2	Complainant/s	Name & Address Sri Debarchan Podh, For Sri Baji Podh, At/Po-Jharnipali, Via-Loisingha, Dist-Bolangir	Consumer No 911311100195	Contact No. 8280335712
3	Respondent/s	Name S.D.O (Elect.), TPWODL, Loisingha	Division Bolangir Electrical Division, TPWODL, Bolangir	
4	Date of Application	22.03.2024		
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	22.03.2024		
9	Date of Order	29.03.2024		
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 Jharnipali

Appeared:

For the Complainant -Sri Debarchan Podh
For the Respondent -Sri Abanikanta Maharana, S.D.O (Elect.), Loisingha

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For Sri Baji Podh,
At/Po-Jharnipali,
Via-Patnagarh,
Dist-Bolangir
Con. No. 911311100195

- **COMPLAINANT**

-Versus-

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

- **OPPOSITE PARTY**

ORDER
(Dt.29.03.2024)

HISTORY OF THE CASE

The Complainant is a LT-Dom. consumer availing a CD of 0.01 KW. He has disputed that though he has availed power supply on 01st Sep. 2016 but energy bills have been raised from Aug-2010 and appealed before the Forum for withdrawal of bills during no power supply period i.e. Aug-2010 to Aug-2016. The complainant needs suitable bill revision for the said period.

The case was heard in detail.

PROCEEDING OF HEARING DATED : 22.03.2024

SUBMISSION OF COMPLAINANT DURING HEARING

The complainant is a consumer under Loisingha section of Loisingha Sub-division. The consumer represented that he was served with false bills from Aug-2010 to Aug-2016 where he has not availed power supply. For that false bills, the arrear has accumulated to ₹. 13,960.32p upto Feb.-2024. The complainant raised dispute against the said period and requested before the Forum for suitable revision of 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-Dom consumer availing power supply since Aug-2010. The billing dispute raised by the complainant for the false billing from Aug-2010 to Aug-2016 needs field verification. As the matter is quite old, the Op asked for seven days time to submit the report.

Considering the above, the OP requested before the Forum to pass order as deemed fit.

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FINDINGS AND ANALYSIS OF THE FORUM

The consumer is a LT-Dom. consumer with a CD of 0.01 KW. Initially the consumer has availed power supply under "KTJ" category and subsequently upgraded to "DOM" category w.e.f. Nov.-2012. As per record, the consumer has availed power supply since 10th Aug. 2010 and the arrear outstanding upto Feb.-2024 is ₹. 13,960.32p. As complained by the complainant and submission of OP, it is observed by the Forum that,

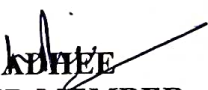
1. The OP submitted that power supply has released on 10th Aug. 2010 whereas the consumer stated that he has availed power supply from 01st Sep. 2016. Hence, the Forum directed the OP to make a field verification and must submit a report within seven days.
In response to the direction, the OP has made a field inspection. The Sarpach of Jharnipali GP has confirmed that P/s to the said village has been released on Dec-2016 after installation of new transformer and requested to waive the bills raised prior to Dec-2016. The report given by Sarpanch-Jharnipali GP was taken into record.
Also, SDO-Loisingha has also submitted a report vide letter no. 116, dated 29.03.2024 and confirmed the same.
2. From the above, it is confirmed that power supply to the consumer has been released on 01st Sep. 2016 in stead of 10th Aug. 2010.
3. On scrutiny of the documents, it is observed by the Forum that the bills raised during no supply period needs bill revision under CI-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 the date of supply to Aug-2016 must be withdrawn as there was no power supply to the premises.
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. PADHEE
CO-OPTED MEMBER


P.K. SAHOO
MEMBER (Fin.)


K.B. SAHU
PRESIDENT

Copy to: -

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2. Sub-Divisional Officer, Electrical Sub-Division, TPWODL, Loisingha.
3. DFM/ AFM/ JFM, Bolangir Electrical Division, TPWODL, Bolangir.
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."