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

Memo No.GRF/BGR/Order/ 728⁵⁹

Dated, the 30/07/2024

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

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

1	Case No.	Complaint Case No. BGR/457/2024			
2	Complainant/s	Name & Address		Consumer No	Contact No.
		Sri Bikram Keshari Singhdeo, For Sri Janmajaya Singhdeo, At-Kutumdula, Po-Jhankarpali, Dist-Bolangir		911211140001	7008780574
3	Respondent/s	Name S.D.O (Elect.), No. II, TPWODL, Bolangir		Division Bolangir Electrical Division, TPWODL, Bolangir	
4	Date of Application	19.07.2024			
5	In the matter of-	1. Agreement/Termination	2. Billing Disputes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
		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) <u>155, 157</u>			
		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	19.07.2024			
9	Date of Order	30.07.2024			
10	Order in favour of	Complainant <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Respondent <input type="checkbox"/>	Others <input type="checkbox"/>	
11	Details of Compensation awarded, if any.	Nil			

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MEMBER (Fin.)

PRESIDENT

Place of Hearing: Camp Court at Chudapalil

Appeared:

For the Complainant –Sri Bikram Keshari Singhdeo
For the Respondent –Sri Sunil Kumar Swain, S.D.O (Elect.), No. II, Bolangir

Complaint Case No. BGR/457/2024

Sri Bikram Keshari Singhdeo, - **COMPLAINANT**
For Sri Janmajaya Singhdeo,
At-Kutumdula, Po-Jhankarpali,
Dist-Bolangir
Con. No. 911211140001

-Versus-

Sub-Divisional Officer, - **OPPOSITE PARTY**
Electrical Sub-Division, No. II,
TPWODL, Bolangir

ORDER

(Dt.30.07.2024)

HISTORY OF THE CASE

The Complainant is a LT-Dom. consumer availing a CD of 2.5 KW. He has disputed the average bill raised from Dec14/Jan15 to Nov-2022 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 : 19.07.2024

SUBMISSION OF COMPLAINANT DURING HEARING

The complainant is a consumer under Chudapali section of Bolangir-II Sub-division. The consumer represented that he was served with average bills from Dec-2014 to Nov-2022 due to meter defective. For that, the arrear has been accumulated to ₹. 67,399.45p upto Jun.-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 relevant record. 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 Dec-2014 to Nov-2022 was due to meter defective for that period. A new meter with sl. no. WLT283742 has been installed on 10th Dec. 2021 but due to protocol delay, it has been reflected in Nov-2022 with CMR : 1143, thereafter actual billing is going on. As the above-stated 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.

FINDINGS AND ANALYSIS OF THE FORUM

The consumer is a LT-Dom. consumer with a CD of 2.5 KW. The consumer has availed power supply prior to Apr-1999 and the arrear outstanding upto Jun-2024 is ₹. 67,399.45p. As complained by the complainant and submission of OP, it is observed by the Forum that,

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1. The complainant was disputed the billing of Jul-2014 whereas the OP submitted that this is a case of meter reading "ROUND COMPLETE" case and to be resolved through meter reading recasting. To resolve the consumer grievances and as submitted by the OP, the representation of the complainant must be considered. During the course of hearing, the OP has agreed with the billing complaints and initiated the bill revision process on the spot observing departmental guidelines. Accordingly, the monthly bill has recasted with the consumption and a net amount of ₹. 7,164.10p is to be withdrawn from the arrear outstanding.
2. Due to meter defective, the consumer was served with average bills from Dec14/Jan15 to Nov-2022 resulting accumulation of arrear outstanding. A new meter has been installed by OP with meter no. WLT283742 on 10th Dec. 2021 but due to delay in updation of meter protocol data, the KWH reading has been captured in Nov.-2022 with CMR : 1143. Accordingly, delay meter updation revision has been done with credit of ₹. 5,348.67p for the period Nov.-2021 to 10th Dec. 2021 and reflected in the bill of Oct-2022 (served in Nov.-2022). In the instant case, it is surprised that the OP has allowed the consumer to continue with defective meter for more than six years. Due to delay in installation of new meter, average billing was 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. 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 was recalculated with the consumption and an amount of ₹. 31,483.83p is to be withdrawn from the arrear outstanding.
3. The complainant has not paid the monthly bill regularly for which the arrear has been accumulated to ₹. 67,399.45 upto Jun.-2024.

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 agreed with the billing dispute and revised the bill on spot and the petitioner was convinced with the proposed total withdrawal amount of ₹ 38,647.93p (₹ 31,483.83p + ₹ 7,164.10p). 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.


K.S.PADHIE
CO-OPTED MEMBER


P.K.SAHOO
MEMBER (Fin.)


K.B.SAHU
PRESIDENT

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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:Bhoynagar, Bhubaneswar-751022 within 30 days from the date of order of the Grievance Redressal Forums."