

CONSUMER GRIEVANCE REDRESSAL FORUM

ELECTRICAL CIRCLE, ROURKELA

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Present:

Sri Achyutananda Meher ...

President

Sri Pulakesh Dasbhaya ...

Member (Finance)

1	Case No.	RKL/118/2024			
2	Complainant	Name & Address:		Consumer No:	
		Hamina Majhi		8131-1107-0014	
		At/PO-Laxmiposh, Bihabandh, Rajgangpur, Dist- Sundargarh.		Contact No.: 9556912727	
3	Respondent	Name		Division	
		SDO-I, RED, TPWODL, Rajgangpur.		RED, TPWODL, Rajgangpur.	
4	Date of Application	23.02.2024			
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	42(5)			
7	OERC Regulation(s):	Clauses			
	1	OERC Distribution (Licensee's Standard of Performance) Regulations,2004			
	2	OERC Conduct of Business) Regulations,2004			
	3	Odisha Grid Code (OGC) Regulation,2006			
	4	OERC (Terms and Conditions for Determination of Tariff) Regulations,2004			
	5	Others-OERC Distribution (Conditions of Supply) code, 2019			157
8	Date(s) of Hearing	23.02.2024			
9	Date of Order	29.02.2024			
10	Order in favour of	Complainant	✓	Respondent	Others
11	Details of Compensation awarded, if any.	Nil			
12	Appeared for the Complainant:		Appeared for the Respondent:		
	Hamina Majhi		Er. Sanjeev Mohanty, SDO		

ORDER

Brief Facts of the Case

During the spot hearing at Rajgangpur-I Electrical Sub-division of Rajgangpur Electrical Division camp on 23-02-2024, the complainant appeared before the Forum whereas SDO- Rajgangpur-I appeared as respondent before the Forum.

Brief facts pertaining to the case are that the Complainant is a LT- General Purpose consumer having consumer No. 813111070014 with connected load of 1.00 KW. That the Complainant has raised objection the wrong bill served to him during the disconnection period. He requested for revision of bills and mentions about verbal complaint being made to the respondent earlier on.

Gist of Arguments made by the Parties

Both parties were present in the hearing. The contentions made by the parties are as follows:

1. Submission of the Complainant:

- The complainant submits that, average bills have been served to him during the disconnection period due to which high billings have been done resulted to accumulation of arrear.
- He further submits that; he had made verbal complain to the respondent about the erroneous bill.
- He also requested the Forum to revise the bills.

2. Reply Submission of the Respondent:

- The respondent produced the billing abstract from Apr'2018 to Nov'2023 and a PVR dated 12-12-2023 mentioning the meter reading as "1" KWH of meter no. TWSP51070938.
- The respondent also agreed to the provisional/average billing from Dec'2019 to May'2022 and agreed for revision of bills. However, the respondent requested the Forum to take appropriate decision as necessary.

Findings of the Forum

Written/verbal Submissions were made by both parties and arguments were heard at length. This Forum, after hearing the parties and going through the relevant documents and provisions of law have concluded as follows:

- That the complainant has been billed on actual meter readings up to Nov'2019 with a meter reading of "526" of meter no. LW189336. From Dec'2019 to May'2022, provisional/average bills have been served @ of 266 units, 432 units, 418 units etc. due to defective meter. From Jun'2022 to Oct'2023 no bills have been generated.
- As per PVR submitted by the respondent and certified by Executive Engineer, the supply was disconnected from Mar'2020 due to non-payment of energy bills but provision bills have been continued till May'2022.
- In the meanwhile, a new meter bearing Sl. No. TWSP51070938 has been installed on 13-12-2023 in the premises of the complainant with reconnection of power supply after payment of Rs.30000.00 on 11-12-2023.
- Therefore, it is decided by the Forum that, the average period bills should be withdrawn.

Directions of the forum

In view of the above findings and discussions, the Forum is of the view that,

- As the complainant has not availed the power supply, the bills from Jun'2020 to May'2022 (Two Years) are to be withdrawn. Only fixed charges are to be claimed.
- Any adjustments done during the revision period are also to be taken in to consideration.
- DPS charged on the wrong bills are also to be withdrawn.

Matter is closed herewith and the compliance report to be submitted to the undersigned on or before dated **31-03-2024**.

"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 Grievances Redressal Forums".


Member (F)


President

No. GRF/RKL/ 136⁽⁴⁾

Date: 29/02/2024

Certified Copy to:

- 1) The Superintending Engineer, Electrical Circle, TPWODL, Rourkela.
- 2) The Chief Legal, TPWODL, Burla.

