

CONSUMER GRIEVANCE REDRESSAL FORUM

ELECTRICAL CIRCLE, ROURKELA

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Present:

Sri Achyutananda Meher ... President
Sri Pulakesh Dasbhaya ... Member (Finance)

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| 1 | Case No. | RKL/ 148 /2024 | | | | |
| 2 | Complainant | Name & Address: | | Consumer No: | | |
| | | Sachindra Naik At/PO- Mahesdihi, Dist- Sundargarh. | | 8121-2117-0225 | | |
| | | | | Contact No.: | | |
| | | Nil | | | | |
| 3 | Respondent | Name | | Division | | |
| | | SDO-Sundargarh, SED, TPWODL, Sundargarh. | | SED, TPWODL, Sundargarh. | | |
| 4 | Date of Application | 13.03.2024 | | | | |
| 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 | 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 | 13.03.2024 | | | | |
| 9 | Date of Order | 18.03.2024 | | | | |
| 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: | | | |
| | Sachindra Naik | | Er. Tushar Kanti Naik, SDO | | | |

ORDER

Brief Facts of the Case

During the spot hearing at Subdega Electrical Section of Sundergarh Electrical Division camp on 13-03-2024, the complainant appeared before the Forum whereas SDO-Sundergarh appeared as respondent before the Forum.

Brief facts pertaining to the case are that the Complainant is a LT-Domestic consumer having consumer No. 812121170225 with connected load of 3.00 KW. That the Complainant has raised objection regarding the high consumption bill for the month of Apr'2016 and provisional and average bills served to him. 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, high consumption bill for the month of Apr'2016 and provisional and average bills served to him 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 Jan'2010 to Aug'2023 and a PVR dated 14-03-2024 mentioning the meter reading as "8189" of meter no. 8052157.
- The respondent also agreed to the high consumption bill for the month of Apr'2016 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 reading up to Mar'2016 with a meter reading of "6235" of meter No. 8052157.
- The bill for the month of Apr'2016, bill has been served @ "9954" units by recording the meter reading as "6189" with a wrong remark of "Round Complete".
- In the month of Jun'2016, again meter reading has been corrected to "6268".

Directions of the forum

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

1. The provisional/average/wrong bills from Apr'2016 to Jun'2016 are to be revised by taking the IMR as "6235" and FMR as "6268" as per Section 157 of Odisha Electricity Regulatory Commission Distribution (Conditions of Supply) Code, 2019.
2. Any adjustments done during the revision period are also to be taken in to consideration.
3. 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 **30-04-2024**.

"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/ 167⁽⁴⁾

Date: 18/03/2024

Certified Copy to:

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

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