CONSUMER GRIEVANCE REDRESSAL FORUM

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Present:

Sri Achyutananda Meher

President

Sri Pulakesh Dasbhaya

Member (Finance)

1	Case No.	RKL/ 256 /2024							
	Complainant	Name & Address:				Consumer No:			
		Sipara Tirkey				8133-1202-1830			
2		At/PO- Brahmanmara,			Contact No.:				
		Kuarmunda, Dist- Sundargarh.			8280104502				
3	Name					Division			
	Respondent	SDO Kuarmunda DED TRIVOS							
4	Date of Applica	SDO- Kuarmunda, RED, TPWODL, Rajgangpur. RED, TPWO tion 19.04.2024					WODL	, Rajgangp	ur.
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	of-	9. New Connection 10.			Quality of Supply &				
		11. Security Deposit / Interest 12.			Shifting of Service				
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		13. Transfer of Consumer Ownership 14. Voltage Fluct					uations		
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7		ectricity Act, 2003 involved 42(5)							
	OERC Regulation							Clause	es
		stribution (Licensee's Standard of Performance) Regulations, 2004							
		onduct of Business) Regulations,2004							
		Grid Code (OGC) Regulation,2006 Ferms and Conditions for Determination of Tariff) Regulations,2004							
8	Date(s) of Hear								
9	Date of Order	30.04.2024							
10	Order in favour	of Complainant	ant √ Respondent				Ot	hers	
11	Details of Comp	pensation awarded, if any.							
12	Appeared for the Complainant:		Appeared for the Respondent:						
	Sipara Tirkey		Er. Ashok Sahoo, SDO						

ORDER

Brief Facts of the Case

During the spot hearing at Kuarmunda Electrical Sub-division of Rajgangpur Electrical Division camp on 19-04-2024, the complainant appeared before the Forum whereas SDO- Kuarmunda appeared as respondent before the Forum.

Brief facts pertaining to the case are that the Complainant is a LT-Domestic consumer having consumer No. 813312021830 with connected load of 1.00 KW. That the Complainant has raised objection regarding the provisional/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, average bills have been served to him 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 Sep'2018 to Feb'2024 and a PVR dated 24-03-2024 mentioning the meter reading as "111" KWH of meter no. TPWODL1081074.
- The respondent also agreed to the provisional/average billing from Sep'2018 to Jun'2021 and high consumption billing in Sep'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 made by both parties and arguments 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 given power supply on 11-09-2018 without a meter and billing started from Sep'2018. From Sep'2018 to Jun'2021, provisional/average bills have been served @ of 144 units due to defective meter. From Jul'2021 to Aug'2022 no bills have been raised as supply was disconnected. As per data available in the system, the supply has been reconnected on 30-09-2022.

- In the meanwhile, a new meter bearing SI. No. TPWODL1081074 has been installed on 29-09-2022 in the premises of the complainant.
- Therefore, it is decided by the Forum that, the average period bills should be revised.
- It is also noted that, after meter change the billing for the month of Sep'2022 has been done @910 units taking the higher average units of previous billing despite the meter reading of the new meter has been recorded as "20", which also needs revision.

Directions of the forum

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

- The provisional/average bills served to the complainant from Aug'2019 to Jun'2021 and bill for the month of Sep'2022 (Two Years) are to be revised as per the average of six consecutive billing of new meter as per Section 155 and 157 of Odisha Electricity Regulatory Commission Distribution (Conditions of Supply) Code, 2019.
- 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 **31-05-2024**.

"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/311

Date: 30/04/2024

Certified Copy to:

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

