

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/ 266 /2024			
2	Complainant	Name & Address:		Consumer No:	
		Elias Kerketta		8134-1414-0673	
		At/PO- Hatidarsa, Kisanpada, Rajgangpur, Dist- Sundargarh.		Contact No.: 7008505782	
3	Respondent	Name		Division	
		SDO-II, RED, TPWODL, Rajgangpur.		RED, TPWODL, Rajgangpur.	
4	Date of Application	20.04.2024			
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	155/157			
8	Date(s) of Hearing	20.04.2024			
9	Date of Order	23.04.2024			
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:			
	Elias Kerketta	Er. Pabitra Chitta Mukherjee, SDO			

ORDER

Brief Facts of the Case

During the spot hearing at Rajgangpur-II Electrical Sub-division of Rajgangpur Electrical Division camp on 20-04-2024, the complainant appeared before the Forum whereas SDO- Rajgangpur-II appeared as respondent before the Forum.

Brief facts pertaining to the case are that the Complainant is a LT-Domestic consumer having consumer No. 813414140673 with connected load of 0.05 KW. That the Complainant has raised objection regarding the high consumption 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 bills have been 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 Jun'2014 to Feb'2024 and a PVR dated 23-02-2024 mentioning the meter reading as "2431" KWH of meter no. LW233058.
- The respondent also agreed that no proper readings of the meter has been taken from Jun'2019 to May'2021 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 May'2019 with a meter reading of "1980" of meter no. 604830. From Jun'2019 to Aug'2019, provisional/average bills have been served. The bill for the month of Sep'2019

has been generated and served on 24-10-2019 @2028 units with a meter reading of "1990". After that, average bills have been served up to May'2021.

- It is also noted that, a new meter bearing Sl. No. LW233058 has been installed on 06-09-2019 in the premises of the complainant which reveals that the bill served for the month of Sep'2019 on 24-10-2019 with a meter reading of "1990" was wrong.
- Therefore, it is decided by the Forum that, the wrong/average period bills should be revised.
- The new meter reading has been updated in the billing of May'2021 as "869".

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 Sep'2019 to May'2021 are to be revised by taking the IMR as "0" and FMR as "869" as per Section 157 of Odisha Electricity Regulatory Commission Distribution (Conditions of Supply) Code, 2019.
2. The provisional/average bills served to the complainant from Jun'2019 to Aug'2019 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.
3. Any adjustments done during the revision period are also to be taken in to consideration.
4. 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".



Co-opted Member

No. GRF/RKL/ 321⁽⁴⁾



President

Date: 30/04/2024

Certified Copy to:

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

