# 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/ 372 /2024						
		Name & Address:			Consumer No:			
	Complainant	Surathi Bagh			8121-2508-0612			
2		At/Po-Ghoghar , Talsara			Contact No.:			
		Dist- Sundargarh.			Nil			
3		Name			Division			
	Respondent	SDO-Sundargarh, SED, TPWODL, Sundargarh.				SED, TPWODL, Sundargarh.		
4	Date of Applica						[]].	
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	of-	9. New Connection 10. Quality of GSOP			Supply &			
		1 ' ' '		12.	Shifting of Service			
					onnection & equipments			
		13. Transfer of Consumer Ownership 14. Voltage Fluctuations						
15. Others (Specify) -								
6	Section(s) of E	of Electricity Act, 2003 involved 42(5)						
7	OERC Regulation	on(s):					es	
	1 OERC D	pistribution (Licensee's Standard of Performance) Regulations, 2004						
	2 OERC C	Conduct of Business) Regulations,2004						
		Grid Code (OGC) Regulation,2006						
		Terms and Conditions for Determination of Tariff) Regulations, 2004						
8	5 Others- Date(s) of Hea	OERC Distribution (Conditions of Supply) code, 2019 ring 19.06.2024				155/1	57	
9	Date of Order							
		27.06.2024				<u> </u>		
10	Order in favour	•		Respondent Other				
11		pensation awarded, if any. Nil						
12	Appeared for the Complainant:  Surathi Bagh		Appeared for the Respondent:					
	S	Er. Tushar Kanti Naik, SDO						

#### **ORDER**

#### **Brief Facts of the Case**

During the spot hearing at Sundergarh Electrical Sub-division of Sundergarh Electrical Division camp on 19-06-2024, 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. 812125080612 with connected load of 2.00 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 Jan'2017 to May'2024 and a PVR dated 04-06-2024 mentioning the meter reading as "178" KWH of meter no. 300052271.
- The respondent also agreed to the provisional/average billing from Dec'2014 to Oct'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'2014 with a meter reading of "725" of meter no. 068553. From Dec'2014 to Oct'2022, provisional/average bills have been served @ of 139 units, 144 units, 206 units etc. due to defective meter.

• In the meanwhile, a new meter bearing Sl. No. 300052271 has been installed on 02-11-2022 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 Nov'2022 has been done @1342 units taking the higher average units of previous billing despite the meter reading of the new meter has been recorded as "80", 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 Dec'2020 to Nov'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 **31-07-2024**.

"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)

Co-Opted Member

No. GRF/RKL/ 454

Date: 29.06.2024

## **Certified Copy to:**

1) The Superintending Engineer, Electrical Circle, TPWODL, Rourkela.

2) The Chief Legal, TPWODL, Burla.