

CONSUMER GRIEVANCE REDRESSAL FORUM

ELECTRICAL CIRCLE, ROURKELA

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Bench:

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Sri Achyutananda Meher ... President
Sri Chitta Ranjan Dash ... Member (Finance)
Sri Girish Chandra Mohapatra ... Co-opted Member

1	Case No.	RKL/ 231 /2025			
2	Complainant	Name & Address:		Consumer No:	
		Daitari Behera		8141-2110-0109	
		At- Near Trinath Mandir, PO- ITI Chowk, Rourkela, Dist- Sundargarh.		Contact No.: 9583420877	
3	Respondent	Name		Division	
		SDO-I, RSED, TPWODL, Rourkela.		RSED, TPWODL, Rourkela.	
4	Date of Application		28.03.2025		
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			
8	Date(s) of Hearing		28.03.2025		
9	Date of Order		21.04.2025		
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:		
	Snehalata Mohanty		Er. Sandeep Parida, SDO		

ORDER

Brief Facts of the Case

During the spot hearing at SDO-I Office of Rourkela Sadar Electrical Division camp on dt.28.03.2025, the complainant appeared before the Forum whereas SDO-V, RSED appeared as Respondent before the Forum.

Brief facts pertaining to the case are that the Complainant is an LT-Domestic consumer having connected load of 1.5 KW. That the Complainant has raised objection for abnormal billing during Aug'2024. He requested revision of bills and mentions about verbal complaints 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:

Submission of the Complainant:

- The complainant submitted that abnormal bills have been generated during Aug'2024 due to which high billings have been made resulting to accumulation of arrears.
- He further submitted that he had made verbal complaint to the Respondent about the erroneous bill.
- He also requested the Forum to revise the bills.

Reply Submission of the Respondent:

- The Respondent produced the following documents:
 - Billing abstract from Jan'2021 to Feb'2025.
 - Physical Verification Report on dt.29.03.2025.
 - Written version on dt. 29.03.2025.
 - Meter test report on dt.11.03.2025
- The Respondent also agreed to the abnormal billing during Aug'2024 and revision of bills.
- However, the Respondent requested the Forum to take appropriate decisions 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:

- During Aug'2024 an abnormal bill of 9217 units had been served as the meter was defective
- The meter bearing Sl. No. TWST1725854 had been installed on dt.29.08.2024 and the current reading is 995 Kwh as on dt.29.03.2025.
- Meter test report shows "defective meter" and hence the actual bill is to be revised.
- Therefore, it is decided by the Forum to revise the average bills.

Directions of the forum

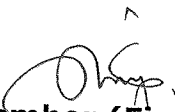
In view of the above facts and circumstances and after going through the documents submitted by both the parties, the Forum pronounces the following order as per regulations 155 and 157 of the Odisha Electricity Regulatory Commission Distribution (Conditions of Supply) Code, 2019.

- The bill served during Apr'2024 is to be revised by taking average of six consecutive billing of new meter.
- Any adjustments made during the revision period are also to be taken into consideration.
- DPS charged on the wrong bills are also to be withdrawn.

The matter is closed herewith.

The compliance report to be submitted to the undersigned on or before dt.**31.05.2025**.


Co-opted Member


Member (Finance)


President

No. GRF/RKL/ 332⁽⁴⁾

Date: 29/04/2025

Certified Copy to:

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

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.

