# **CONSUMER GRIEVANCE REDRESSAL FORUM**

# ELECTRICAL CIRCLE, ROURKELA

Plot No. UU/9, Civil Township, Rourkela-769004

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**Present:** 

Sri Achyutananda Meher

President

Sri Chitta Ranjan Dash

Member (Finance)

1	Case	e No.	RKL/ 497 /2024											
			Name & Address:						Consumer No:					
			Banda	Bandana Sahu						8147-1121-0566				
2	Complainant		At/PO	At/PO- Bonai,						Contact No.:				
			Dist- Sundargarh.						Nil					
3	Pecn	ondont		Name						Division				
	Respondent		SDO-	SDO-VII, RSED, TPWODL, Rourkela.						RSED, TPWODL, Rourkela.				
4	Date	of Applica												
			1. A	Agreement / Termination					2. Billing Disputes				<b>V</b>	
				Classification / Reclassification of 4. Consumers						Contract Demand / Connected Load				
5				5. Disconnection / Reconnection of Supply 6.						. Installation of Equipment & apparatus of Consumer				
	In t	he matter		7. Interruptions 8. M						etering				
		of-	9.	9. New Connection 10.						Quality of Supply &				
			11.	11. Security Deposit / Interest 12.						Shifting of Service onnection & equipments				
			13.	13. Transfer of Consumer Ownership 14.						Voltage Fluctuations				
			15.	15. Others (Specify) -										
6	Secti	on(s) of E	ectricit	y Act, 2003 invo	lved	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	42(	5)						
7	OERO	ERC Regulation(s):									Clauses			
	1	OERC Distribution (Licensee's Standard of Performance) Regulations, 2004									,2004			
	2	OERC Conduct of Business) Regulations,2004												
	3		isha Grid Code (OGC) Regulation,2006											
	4		(Terms and Conditions for Determination of Tariff) Regulations,2004											
8	5 Date	otners- (s) of Hea	-OERC Distribution (Conditions of Supply) code, 2019 ring 16.08.2024									155/157		
9		of Order												
10		r in favour	of	Complainant √ Respondent					dent		Ot	thers		
11		Details of Compensation awarded, if any.					Nil							
12	Appeared for the Complainant:					Appeared for the Respondent:								
			Babina Sahu			Er. Anukul Chandra Mohanty, SDO								

## **ORDER**

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

During the spot hearing at Bonai Electrical Section of Rourkela Sadar Electrical Division camp on dt.16.08.2024, the complainant appeared before the Forum whereas SDO, Bonai, RSED appeared as respondent before the Forum.

Brief facts pertaining to the case are that the Complainant is a LT-General Purpose with connected load of 01 KW. That the Complainant has raised objection regarding "high average meter reading from Feb'2023 to Jul'2023" served to him. He requested for revision of bills and mentions about verbal complaint being made to the respondent earlier.

#### 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 average billing given from Feb'2023 to Jul'2023 served to him resulted to accumulation of arrear.
- He further submitted that he had made verbal complain 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 billing abstract from Apr'2020 to Jun'2024.
- He had also produced a PVR dt.25.07.2024 mentioning the meter reading as "49" of meter number TWSP51039909.
- The respondent also agreed to the average billing given from Feb'2023 to Jul'2023. 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 Dec'2022 with a meter reading of "23" of meter No. 1005324.
  - The bills from Jan'2023 to Aug'2023 have been billed on average with various units per month. From Sep'2023 onwards almost actual bills have been served.
  - As per PVR submitted by respondent, the new meter bearing SI. No. TWSP51039909 have been installed od dt.01.09.2023 in the premises of the complainant and the meter reading is "49" Kwh.
  - Therefore, it is decided by the Forum that, the average bills should be revised.

## **Directions of the forum**

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

- The average bills served to the complainant from Jan'2023 to Aug'2023 are to be revised by taking six months' average of actual consumption of new meter as per Section 155 and 157 of the Odisha Electricity Regulatory Commission Distribution (Conditions of Supply) Code, 2019.
- Any adjustments done during the revision period are also to be taken into 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 **30-09-2024**.

"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 (Finance)

No. GRF/RKL/  $603^{(4)}$ 

President

Date: 3/108/2029

Certified Copy to:

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

