

# CONSUMER GRIEVANCE REDRESSAL FORUM

ELECTRICAL CIRCLE, ROURKELA

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## Present:

Sri Achyutananda Meher ... President  
Sri Chitta Ranjan Dash ... Member (Finance)

1	Case No.	<b>RKL/499 /2024</b>			
2	Complainant	Name & Address:		Consumer No:	
		Bairagi Chandra Sahu At/PO- Ruguda, Mahuldiha, Dist- Sundargarh.		8140-0103-0314	
				Contact No.:	
		6370451373			
3	Respondent	Name		Division	
		Executive Engineer, RSED, TPWODL, Rourkela.		RSED, TPWODL, Rourkela.	
4	Date of Application	23.08.2024			
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):				Cluses
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				102(ii)(a)
8	Date(s) of Hearing	23.08.2024			
9	Date of Order	19.09.2024			
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:		
	Bairagi Chandra 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.23.08.2024, 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-Irrigation consumer with connected load of 03 Kw. That the Complainant has raised an objection regarding wrong meter rent charged in billing. 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 wrong meter rent charged in bills 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 Dec'2014 to Jul'2024.
- The respondent also agreed to the wrong meter rent charged in 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:

- The power supply had been released on dt.30.07.2024 with meter bearing number 1733051.
- Meter rent had been charged @ Rs.40.00 per month from Jul'2014 to Jun'2021, i.e., for seven years.
- The meter rent must be charged for 5 years or 60 months as per tariff order.
- Therefore, it is decided by the Forum that, the meter rent should be adjusted.

### **Directions of the forum**

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

- The meter rent should be charged for sixty months and the rest must be withdrawn as per regulation 102(ii)(a) 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 **31-10-2024**.

*"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)**

No. GRF/RKL/ 660<sup>(4)</sup>

Certified Copy to:

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

  
**President**

Date: 19/09/2024

