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.	RKL/ 587 /2024					
		Name & Address:			Consumer No:		
2	Complainant	Debendra Rout			8122-1407-0615		
		At/PO- Badhunjharia, Lefripada,			Contact No.:		
		Ujalpur, Dist- Sundargarh.		8895958034			
3	Respondent	me			Division		
	Respondent	SDO-Ujalpur, SED, TPWODL, Sundargarh.			SED, TPWODL, Sundargarh.		
4	Date of Applica						
5		1. Agreement / Termina	rmination 2. Billing Disputes				√
		3. Classification / Rec	lassification of	4. Co	ontract Den	nand /	
		Consumers		Co	nnected Load		
		5. Disconnection / Re	econnection of	į.	stallation of Eq	•	
	7.11					paratus of Consumer	
	In the matter of-			etering Cumble 8			
	01-	5. New Connection		10. GS	. Quality of Supply & GSOP		
		11. Security Deposit / I	11. Security Deposit / Interest 12.		Shifting of Service		
					onnection & equipments		
			3. Transfer of Consumer Ownership 14. Voltage Fluct			uations	
	15. Others (Specify) -						
6		lectricity Act, 2003 involved 42(5)					
7	OERC Regulation	on(s):					es
	1 OERC I	sistribution (Licensee's Standard of Performance) Regulations,2004					
	2 OERC	onduct 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					155/15	57
9	Date of Order	30.09.2024				1	
10	Order in favour			√ Respondent Others			
11		pensation awarded, if any.					
12		Appeared for the Complainant: Appeared for the Respondent:					
	Debendra Rout Er. Biraj Patel, SDO						

ORDER

Brief Facts of the Case

During the spot hearing at Ujalpur Electrical Sub-division of Sundargarh Electrical Division camp on dt.25.09.2024, the complainant appeared before the Forum whereas SDO, Ujalpur appeared as respondent before the Forum.

Brief facts pertaining to the case are that the Complainant is a LT-Domestic consumer with connected load of 0.14 Kw. That the Complainant has raised an objection regarding the average bills from Nov'2017 to Sep'2023 served to him. 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 average billing from Nov'2017 to Sep'2023 served to him resulted in 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 billing abstract from Jul'2013 to Aug'2024.
- He had also produced a PVR dt.13.09.2024 mentioning the meter reading as "32" of meter number TWB636751.
- The respondent also agreed to the average bills from Nov'2017 to Sep'2023 in his written version.
- 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:

- That the complainant has been billed on actual meter reading up to May'2021 with a meter reading of "937" of Meter No. LW186919.
- The bills from Sep'2021 to Sep'2023 have been billed on average with various units per month. From Feb'2024 onwards, actual bills have been served with proper adjustment of provisional bills. Feb'2024 bill is also a pro-rata bill
- As per PVR submitted by respondent, a new meter bearing SI. No. TWB636751
 has been installed on dt.25.02.2024 in the premises of the complainant and the
 meter reading is "32" Kwh as on dt.13.09.2024.
- 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 Mar'2022 to Feb'2024 are to be revised by taking average of six months' actual consumption of new meter as per Section 155 and 157 of the Odisha Electricity Regulatory Commission Distribution (Conditions of Supply) Code, 2019.
- Adjustments made during 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.31.10.2024.

"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 (Finance)

President

No. GRF/RKL/ 730

Date: 30/09/2024

Certified Copy to:

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

