

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)
Sri Girish Chandra Mohapatra...		Co-opted Member

1	Case No.	RKL/ 610 /2024					
2	Complainant	Name & Address:		Consumer No:			
		Rabeya Begum Munir		8141-2118-0090			
		Plot No.1102-1216,		Contact No.:			
		At/PO-Industrial Estate, Rourkela, Dist- Sundargarh.		9338509609			
3	Respondent	Name		Division			
		SDO-I, RSED, TPWODL, Rourkela.		RSED, TPWODL, Rourkela.			
4	Date of Application		14.10.2024				
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):					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					155/157
8	Date(s) of Hearing		14.10.2024				
9	Date of Order		22.10.2024				
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:				
	Rabeya Begum Munir		Er. Sandeep Parida, SDO				

ORDER

Brief Facts of the Case

During the spot hearing at Civil Township Electrical Section of Rourkela Sadar Electrical Division camp on dt.14.10.2024, the Complainant appeared before the Forum whereas SDO-I, Industrial Estate, RSED appeared as respondent before the Forum.

Brief facts pertaining to the case are that the Complainant is a LT-Domestic consumer having consumer No. 8141-2118-0090 with connected load of 3.6 Kw. That the Complainant has raised objection for average billing from Aug'2028 to Dec'2018. 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:

Submission of the Complainant:

- The complainant submitted that average bills have been generated from Aug'2028 to Dec'2018 due to which high billings have been done 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 Jan'2022 to Jun'2024 and a PVR dated 09-10-2024 mentioning the meter reading as "10514" of meter no. LW125369.
- The respondent also agreed to the provisional/average billing from Aug'2028 to Dec'2018 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 Jul'2018 with a meter reading of "15713" of meter number 391367.
- From Aug'2018 to Dec'2018, provisional/average bills have been served.
- A new meter bearing Sl. No. LW125369 has been installed during Jan'2019 in the premises of the complainant and the Jan'2019 bill is a pro-rata bill.
- Therefore, it is decided by the Forum that, the average bills generated during the quarter vacant period should be Withdrawn.

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 Aug'2018 to Jan'2019 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 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.**30.11.2024**.

"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".


Co-Opted Member


Member (Finance)


President

No. GRF/RKL/ 767⁽⁴⁾

Date: 28/10/2024

Certified Copy to:

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

