

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/ 624 /2024				
2	Complainant	Name & Address:		Consumer No:		
		David Lakra		8130-0103-4640		
		At- Badmal, PO-Gairbahal,		Contact No.:		
		Kutra, Dist- Sundargarh.		8847878939		
3	Respondent	Name		Division		
		Executive Engineer, RED, TPWODL, Rajgangpur.		RED, TPWODL, Rajgangpur.		
4	Date of Application		21.10.2024			
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		21.10.2024			
9	Date of Order		28.10.2024			
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:			
	David Lakra		Er. Pabitra Chitta Mukherjee, SDO			

ORDER

Brief Facts of the Case

During the spot hearing at Rajgangpur Electrical Sub-Division of Rajgangpur Electrical Division camp on dt.21.10.2024, the complainant appeared before the Forum whereas SDO-II, Rajgangpur, RED 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 provisional/average billing from Feb'2019 to Jun'2023. 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 at the hearing. The contentions made by the parties are as follows:

Submission of the Complainant:

- The complainant submitted that provisional/average billing from Feb'2019 to Jun'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 Feb'2019 to Sep'2024.
- He had also produced a PVR dt.20.10.2024 of meter number 10036043 and meter reading as "593" Kwh.
- The respondent also agreed to the provisional/average billing from Feb'2019 to Jun'2023.
- 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:

- The bills from Mar'2022 to Aug'2023 have been billed on an provisional/average basis with various units per month.
- A new meter bearing serial number 10036043 had been installed during Sep'2023 and the CMR is "593" Kwh as on dt.20.10.2024. The bill for Sep'2023 had been served on pro-rata basis and needs revision.
- Therefore, it is decided by the Forum that, the provisional/average billing period bills should be revised.

Directions of the forum

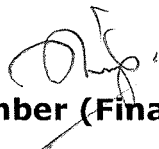
In view of the above findings and discussions, the Forum is of the view that,

- The provisional/average bills served to the complainant from Mar'2022 to Sep'2023 are to be revised by taking six months' average of consumption of new meter as per Regulation 155 and 157 of the Odisha Electricity Regulatory Commission Distribution (Conditions of Supply) Code, 2019.
- 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.**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".


Member (Finance)


President

No. GRF/RKL/ 781⁽⁴⁾

Date: 30/10/2024

Certified Copy to:

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

