

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/ 626 /2024			
2	Complainant	Name & Address:		Consumer No:	
		Banthu Toppo		8134-1414-1073	
		At/PO- Dubku, Kisanpada, Rajgangpur, Dist- Sundargarh.		Contact No.: Nil	
3	Respondent	Name		Division	
		SDO-II, RED, TPWODL, Rajgangpur.		RED, TPWODL, Rajgangpur.	
4	Date of Application		26.10.2024		
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:		
	Banthu Toppo		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-Domestic consumer with connected load of 01 Kw. That the Complainant has raised objection regarding the average billing given from Oct'2018 to Jul'2020 served to him. He requested revision of bills and mentions verbal complaints 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 average billing given from Oct'2018 to Jul'2020 served to him resulted in accumulation of arrear.
- 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 Oct'2018 to Sep'2024.
- He had also produced a PVR dt.13.10.2024 of meter number LW635225 and meter reading as "112" Kwh.
- The respondent also agreed to the average billing given from Oct'2018 to Jul'2020.
- 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 Oct'2018 to Jul'2020 have been billed on an average basis with various units per month.
- A new meter bearing serial number LW635225 had been installed during Aug-Sep'2020 and the CMR is "112" Kwh as on dt.13.10.2024.
- 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 Oct'2018 to Jul'2020 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/ 783¹⁹²

Date: 30/10/2024

Certified Copy to:

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

