

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANIDGARH**

**CRM-M No.4646 of 2023
Date of Decision: 31.01.2023**

Ashok Kumar Bansal

..... Petitioner

Versus

Municipal Council, Sangrur

..... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE GURBIR SINGH

Present: Mr. Ishan Gupta, Advocate
for the petitioner.

GURBIR SINGH, J (ORAL)

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that vide order dated 07.12.2022 passed by the learned Magistrate, Sangrur, the request of the petitioner regarding exemption from personal appearance and his appearance through counsel was declined. He was directed to furnish bail bonds and surety bonds. The petitioner has filed revision petition against the said order, but the learned Additional Sessions Judge, Sangrur without considering the application of the petitioner, notice was issued to the respondent for 24.01.2023. On the said date, respondent had appeared and the case was adjourned to 14.03.2023 for arguments. The complaint was filed under Section 199 and 219 of the Punjab Municipal Act, 1911 and a fine of Rs.500/- each is leviable in these sections. Under the provisions of Section 206 of Cr.P.C, the petitioner is entitled to appear through his counsel in such petty offences.

In view of the above, the present petition stands disposed of. The Revisional Court is directed to dispose of the revision petition expeditiously. Till then, the petitioner is allowed to appear in the trial Court through his counsel and his personal appearance shall remain exempted.

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JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No
Whether reportable : Yes/No