

Hollins University

## Hollins Digital Commons

---

Mildred E. Persinger Papers

Manuscript Collections

---

1979

### Letter from Ela Bhatt to Mildred Persinger, July 24, 1979

Ela Bhatt

Follow this and additional works at: <https://digitalcommons.hollins.edu/persinger-papers>



Part of the [Women's History Commons](#)

---

#### Recommended Citation

Bhatt, Ela, "Letter from Ela Bhatt to Mildred Persinger, July 24, 1979" (1979). *Mildred E. Persinger Papers*. 215.

<https://digitalcommons.hollins.edu/persinger-papers/215>

This Letter is brought to you for free and open access by the Manuscript Collections at Hollins Digital Commons. It has been accepted for inclusion in Mildred E. Persinger Papers by an authorized administrator of Hollins Digital Commons. For more information, please contact [lvilelle@hollins.edu](mailto:lvilelle@hollins.edu), [millerjc@hollins.edu](mailto:millerjc@hollins.edu).

GRAM : LABOUR

PHONE : 388467-68-69

MEP

स्वाश्रयी महिला सेवा संघ  
SELF EMPLOYED WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION (SEWA)  
(Registered under Trade Union Act)

PRESIDENT

A. N. BUCH

GENERAL SECRETARY

MRS. ELA R. BHATT

C/o. Textile Labour Association,  
Ahmedabad-1, India.

મજૂર મહાજન સંઘ, અમદાવાદ-૧

dt. 24 - 7 - 1979

534/39

Ms. Mildered Persinger  
IWTC Board of Directors  
International Women's  
Tribune Centre, Inc.  
305 East 46th St.  
NEW YORK  
N.Y. 10017  
(212)421-5633

Dear Ms Persinger :

I send you herewith a bundle of 30 booklets describing our activities among poor women workers. Perhaps you can mail them to the existing members of The Advisory Committee, if you find them worthwhile to do so.

I have been an ardent reader of the periodical, so usefully informative, made most interesting by its designs. I sincerely congratulate you for your persistence and innovativeness. The decade will pass away, and the old problems still remain, new problems crop up. There are some little spots of hope to stop you from being frustrated.

in New York

I wonder if I can visit New York (if you can provide accommodation) for a couple of days while I am in Washington during the last week of September, If yes, kindly let me know so that I can plan my tour accordingly. I send you herewith my bio-data for your information

With kind regards

Yours sincerely

*Elar Bhatt*

(Elar R. Bhatt)  
Gen. secretary-SEWA.

Encl : one.



GRAM : LABOUR

PHONE : 388467-68-69

MEP

स्वाश्रयी महिला सेवा संघ  
SELF EMPLOYED WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION (SEWA)  
(Registered under Trade Union Act)

PRESIDENT

A. N. BUCH

GENERAL SECRETARY

MRS. ELA R. BHATT

C/o. Textile Labour Association,  
Ahmedabad-1, India.

મજૂર મહાજન સંઘ, અમદાવાદ-૧

dt. 24 - 7 - 1979

534/39

Ms. Mildered Persinger  
IWTC Board of Directors  
International Women's  
Tribune Centre, Inc.  
305 East 46th St.  
NEW YORK  
N.Y. 10017  
(212)421-5633

Dear Ms Persinger :

I send you herewith a bundle of 30 booklets describing our activities among poor women workers. Perhaps you can mail them to the existing members of The Advisory Committee, if you find them worthwhile to do so.

I have been an ardent reader of the periodical, so usefully informative, made most interesting by its designs. I sincerely congratulate you for your persistence and innovativeness. The decade will pass away, and the old problems still remain, new problems crop up. There are some little spots of hope to stop you from being frustrated.

in New York

I wonder if I can visit New York (if you can provide accommodation) for a couple of days while I am in Washington during the last week of September, If yes, kindly let me know so that I can plan my tour accordingly. I send you herewith my bio-data for your information

With kind regards

Yours sincerely

*Elar Bhatt*

(Elar R. Bhatt)  
Gen. secretary-SEWA.

Encl : one.



B I O - D A T A

1. Name : Mrs. Ela Ramesh Bhatt
2. Address : Textile Labour Association,  
Gandhi Majoor Sevalaya,  
AHMEDABAD-380 001 (INDIA) Tele.No. Off. : 388467  
Res. : 45215
3. Date of Birth : 7-9-1933
4. Education : B.A. (English), LL.B.  
International Diploma in Labour & Co-operative  
(Israel)
5. Present Employment : Chief, Women's Wing, Textile Labour Association,  
Ahmedabad (India) since 1968.
6. Positions held : General Secretary,  
Self Employed Women's Association (SEWA)  
Vice-President, Gujarat Agriculture Workers' Union,  
Self Employed Workers' Organisation, Construction  
Workers' Union.  
Managing Director, Co-op. Bank of SEWA.
- Members of the Advisory Board :  
International SOS Villages.  
State Censor Board of Cultural Programme.  
State Equal Remuneration Committee.  
State Labour Advisory Council.  
National Women Committee.  
All India Handicraft Board.  
Central Social Welfare Board.
7. Research Studies Done. : - Survey of the condition of the Textile workers  
rendered unemployed due to the closure of the  
Textile Mills in Gujarat.  
- A Study on the Impact of Education on the women  
of the Harijan Community.  
- A Study on the indebtedness of the Textile  
workers.  
- A Survey of the Co-operative Credit Societies  
of the Mills employees.  
- The Impact of welfare of the State Transport  
Employees of Gujarat State.  
- The Economic condition of the Self Employed  
Women workers in Garment Industry.  
- The Economic Status of Used Garment Dealers  
(Women).  
- The Economic Status of Handcart pullers(Women).  
- The Economic Status of Vegetable Vendors(Women).  
- The Economic Status of Junk-smiths (Women).  
- The Economic Status of Milk-producers (Women).  
- Economic Participation of Cotton-pod openers  
(Women).  
- Economic Participation of Handloom Weavers  
(Women).  
- Economic Participation of Firewood Pickers of  
Mount Girnar (Women).
8. Publications : 'Gujarat-ni-Nari'.  
'Profiles of Self Employed Women'.
- \* Attended Seminar on Women Leadership in Japan, 1972.  
\* Attended as AID participant in USA in August 1973.  
\* Invited as a Penalist on 'Women at Work' in U.N. sponsored  
International Women's Year Conference, Tribune in Mexico,  
in June 1975.  
\* Study Fellow at Institute of Development Studies, University of  
Sussex, England, January, 1977.  
\* Consultant, UNICEF, Bangladesh, Women's Department, April, 1977.  
\* Recipient of Magsaysay Award, 1977, for Community Leadership.  
\* Consultant, UNICEF, Afghanistan, on Women's Employment, 1978.  
\* Consultant, ILO Employment Mission, for Afghanistan.

just of the  
int. 11  
\*\*  
gatha  
20



From  
Majoor Mahajan Sangh  
Gandhi Majoor Sevalaya  
Bhadra  
Ahmedabad-380001.

Ms Milderred Persinger  
IWTC Board of Directors  
International Women's  
Tribune Centre, Inc.  
305 East 46th St.  
NEW YORK  
N.Y. 10017  
(212) 421-5633.

