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<b>Born</b>	7 September 1933 <a href="#">Ahmedabad</a> , <a href="#">Bombay Presidency</a> , <a href="#">British India</a>
<b>Died</b>	2 November 2022
<b>Nationality</b>	<a href="#">Indian</a>
<b>Education</b>	B.A., LL.B.; Diploma of Labor and Cooperatives; Sarvajanik Girls High School, <a href="#">Surat</a> ; M.T.B. College,
<b>Alma mater</b>	<a href="#">Surat</a> ; Afro-Asian Institute of Labor and Cooperatives, <a href="#">Tel Aviv</a>
<b>Occupation(s)</b>	Lawyer, philanthropist
<b>Organization(s)</b>	<a href="#">SEWA</a> , <a href="#">The Elders</a>
<b>Known for</b>	founded <a href="#">SEWA</a>
<b>Spouse</b>	Ramesh Bhatt
<b>Awards</b>	<a href="#">Padma Shri</a> , <a href="#">Padma Bhushan</a> , <a href="#">Ramon Magsaysay Award</a> , <a href="#">Right Livelihood Award</a> , <a href="#">Niwano Peace Prize</a> , <a href="#">Indira Gandhi Prize for Peace, Disarmament and Development</a>
<b>Website</b>	<a href="#">sewa.org</a>

**Ela Ramesh Bhatt** (born 7 September 1933 - 2 November 2022),<sup>[1]</sup> is an Indian activist and lawyer.<sup>[2]</sup> She founded the [Self-Employed Women's Association of India](#) (SEWA) in 1972. She was its general secretary from 1972 to 1996.

She is the current Chancellor of the [Gujarat Vidyapith](#). She has won the [Ramon Magsaysay Award](#) (1977), [Right Livelihood Award](#) (1984) for "helping home-based producers to organise for their welfare and self-respect" and the [Padma Bhushan](#) (1986).<sup>[3]</sup>

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