## School Enrollment for Pratigya



Pratigya Rai, from Ilam, was born unable to speak, and her birth wasn't registered due to her parents' unregistered marriage and her father's absence for work. This created challenges especially for school enrollment. Without a birth certificate, Pratigya could not get an identity card or join school, even though her mother tried hard and wanted her to study at the nearby Resource Centre for the children with hearing disabilities.

Despite these challenges, the Community-Based Rehabilitation Facilitator (CBRF) supported Pratigya by providing informal education at home helping her learn to recognize simple letters and write her name.

With the combined efforts of her family, local government and community members, Pratigya's birth was finally registered allowing her to receive a disability identity card and enroll in School. Her journey shows how important birth registration is for getting essential services and how family and community support can help overcome challenges.

