<u>**Personas**</u> Super User Agni Dahal



Agni Dahal is a 34-year-old from Kathmandu, Nepal. His name Agni means the son of the fire god. Agni lives at home with four siblings and his father after his mother passed away after he was born. After the death of their mother, their father could no longer afford the expenses of five children, resulting in the death of two of his other siblings due to hunger. Even then, his father could barely make a living. In order to make more money, his father chose to make his children work, instead of going to school.

Fortunately, Agni did meet the same fate as his siblings. He had the opportunity to be educated, so he cannot only speak Nepali, but English as well. All his family members hoped that he would be better off than the others; but in Agni's mind, he never forgot the death of his mother. Since then, he began to pay attention to maternal health care in Nepal. During his study, Agni found that he had a special interest and knack for computers. He therefore went to a famous college in Nepal to study computer science and graduated with honours.

Even though Agni had great success in academics, he seldom socializes. He likes working alone and chasing success. He is a very organized person and has a strong sense of responsibility. After graduating, he found a job at Verisk Information Technologies as a database administrator in Kathmandu, Nepal and received a generous salary there. With such, Agni was able to buy his own personal computer and cell phone.

A few years later, when he was 30, he met his wife through colleagues. In the same year, they got married. This should be a happy ending for Agni, however, one year after getting married, just before his son was going to born, his wife died due to birthing complications. He was so inconsolable that he resigned from Verisk and he swore to improve the maternal health care system in Nepal. Then he began to research maternal health care and found an international project that was providing ultrasound services in remote areas in Nepal. He was excellent with computers and had professional experience as an administrator. He joined the project as a system administrator. He believes that this system will help improve maternal health care in Nepal.