**Journal for simplicity by Amit Pandey**

XP value simplicity says “We will do what is needed and asked for, but no more. This will maximize the value created for the investment made to date. We will take small simple steps to our goal and mitigate failures as they happen”.

As said above XP values are playing very important role within the team. I have had been successfully implementing it into the project. By implementing simplicity within the project we are able to complete more task within less time as we are now only focused on what is required. By sticking with the XP values and strictly implementing it into the project we are moving toward the project goal in very smooth way.

For the fourth week of the project, as part of simplicity,

1. We kept meeting as and when needed. Meeting agendas is pre-decided and we stick to the agenda during the meeting.
2. Use case diagram, activity diagram has been completed and we have now moved to our next step of code development for a prototype model.
3. Coding task has been divided within the team and each team member has a module which he/she needs to code for. Team has successfully able to complete its task on time for consecutive fourth week.
4. Task has been divided into the team, to increase the efficiency of the project. Members within the team is now focus on his/her module rather than taking the entire project as whole. Efficiency of the team mate has increased tremendously by dividing the task within the team. Work pressure is divided and focus has been shifted from a big project to small modules.
5. Moving in small steps has helped team a lot to complete the task on time. Every week agenda is clearly mentioned to the team members and task to be completed for the week is assigned to each individual, this helps to maintain the focus and work in a very efficient manner.

Simple things work better than complicated things, keeping this in mind we are moving with our project and eliminating things which are not required. We eliminated daily physical meet ups and tried to shift our meeting on WebEx, so that everybody is available from his or her comfort place. Doing so has increased the interaction within the group.