



# **SIKA PAKISTAN CORPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY COLLABORATION OF SIKA & TRANSPARENT HANDS TO SERVE UNDERPRIVILEGED PATIENTS**

**Flooring of Operation Theatre in Zainab Memorial  
Hospital**

According to World Health Organization 46.6% of the urban population live in slums resulting in major chronic diseases over the period of time. Chronic diseases are projected to account for 42% of all deaths in Pakistan. These diseases create large adverse and underappreciated economic effects on families, communities and countries. Punjab on the other hand, with a population of nearly 96 million has a number of districts being at a greater level of deprivation as compared to the provincial average and experiencing a greater burden of poor health within the population. Some areas in Punjab and some segments of the population, especially women and children, bear a disproportionately higher burden of ill health, and yet have limited access to health care services.

In verge of all this, many not for profit organizations have played an important role in not only creating awareness regarding various health issues but, also by facilitating needy people by providing them critically needed services such as basic health care. Sika collaborated with one such organization named "Transparent Hands" to join in their initiative of providing health care facilities to needy patients. Transparent hands serve such patients with the aid of donations through a number of hospitals at their panels which treats the patient after proper diagnosis.



Transparent Hands endeavors to help needy patients by providing them free treatment. Sika joined hands with Transparent Hands by providing flooring at the operation theater in Zainab Memorial Hospital which is one of the hospitals at the panel. Against this flooring, Zainab Memorial will treat the needy patients redirected by Transparent Hands.

Transparent Hands made a logical conclusion to serve the deserving patients by providing them with necessary treatment which they can't afford on their own whereby Sika Pakistan offered its state of the art LEED Certified flooring solution to accomplish this project. With the purpose of providing patients with a safe & healthy environment Sika suggested Sikafloor-263 SL which was used for flooring at the total area of 400 Sq Ft in the operation theater at Zainab Memorial Hospital. Low VOC emitting Sikafloor systems provide LEED points and also, improve the indoor air quality. These seamless Sikafloor solutions do not require welding or adhesives, which also results in a limited number of constituents. As a consequence, the Sikafloor Clean room systems also limit the number of possible sources for emissions and particles hence, protecting the environment and making it benign for patients. In addition to this, primer coat was used before the actual flooring was done.

