In all countries where the ICRC is working, activities are planned and implemented in close collaboration with a wide range of national partners including: the government, national and international NGOs, persons with disabilities organizations, etc.

We believe that close collaboration with local partners increase national ownership and commitment, which is mandatory to provide appropriate victim assistance and to develop national capacities.

The scope and scale of our assistance varies from countries to another and always aimed at developing national capacities in developing, implementing, providing and monitoring appropriate answer to survivor's needs. Our assistance includes technical support, capacity building activities and in-kind support. Concrete examples of our collaboration with national partners include:

- In Afghanistan, we actively participate in the Disability Stakeholder Commission Group and in the drafting of national guidelines for physical rehabilitation
- In Chad, we supported the Ministry of Social Affairs, National Solidarity and Family in the organization of a national conference on synergy actions in favour of people with disabilities
- In Burundi, we actively participated in the development of the Strategic Plan for the Development of Medical Rehabilitation 2011-2015 elaborated by the Ministry of Public Health
- In the Democratic Republic of Congo, we maintain close contact with the National Community-Based Rehabilitation Programme (PNRBC) and with the UN Mine Action Coordination Centre
- In Guinea Bissau, we supported the Ministry of Public Health in the re-opening of the Centro de Reabilitação Motora, the only service provider in the country
- In Colombia, we collaborate closely with the Ministry of Health to define standards and guidelines regulating the sector
- In Iraq, we actively participate in meetings of the Higher Committee for Physical Rehabilitation we were able to disseminate information about the services available for people with physical disabilities by targeting local actors such as NGOs, organizations
- In Nicaragua, we supported the Ministry of Health strategy to decentralize the services
- In Laos, we work in close collaboration with the Cooperative Orthotic and Prosthetic Enterprise (COPE) to increase access to physical rehabilitation services

These are only few concrete examples of our collaboration with national partners; many other examples could be mention. However, our collaboration always aimed at ensuring that States are able to meet their responsibilities in ensuring access to victim assistance. In our point of view, collaboration and cooperation with national partners is the keystone in providing appropriate answers to survivors needs and to ensure that these answers will be available in the long-term.