

# Sexual and gender-based violence



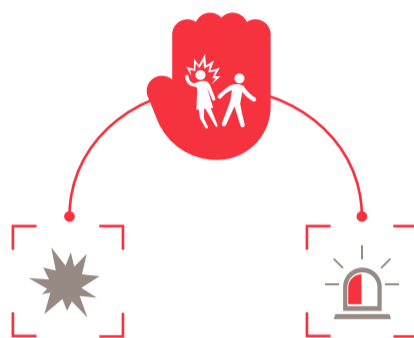
**S**exual and gender-based violence has devastating consequences for victims/survivors, and for their families and communities. Preventing such violence and protecting

victims/survivors – and providing suitable responses to their needs – are major issues of humanitarian concern

## What conclusions did the 32nd International Conference of the Red Cross and Red Crescent reach on the subject of sexual and gender-based violence?



It adopted Resolution 3, “Sexual and gender-based violence: Joint action on prevention and response”. By this means, States and the components of the Movement committed themselves to implementing a broad range of measures on preventing and responding to sexual and gender-based violence.



The resolution, which condemns sexual and gender-based violence in all circumstances, **focuses on sexual violence in armed conflict and on sexual and gender-based violence in disasters and other emergencies.**

## Some of the actions to be taken in the next four years, following the 32nd International Conference, are listed below.

### BY STATES

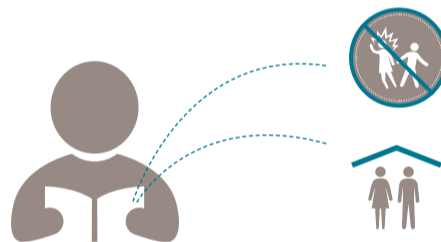


Put an end to impunity by:  
> **investigating and prosecuting**  
> **ensuring access to justice for victims/survivors.**



**Review and strengthen, if necessary, domestic legal frameworks.**

### BY STATES, NATIONAL SOCIETIES, PARTNERS AND COMMUNITIES

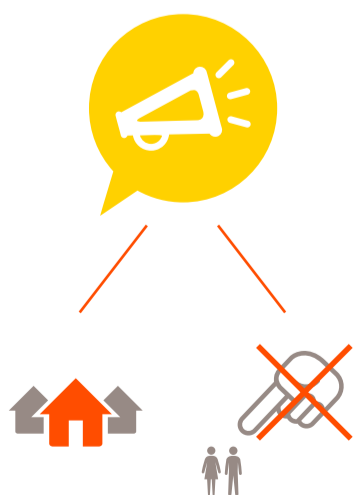


Raise awareness of:  
> **the prohibition against sexual and gender-based violence**  
> **the need to prevent such violence and to assist and protect victims/survivors**



Ensure that victims/survivors have **access to care** ensuring their dignity, safety and **preventing stigmatization.**

## What can I do as a community member?



Help to **raise awareness among communities** of the prohibition against sexual and gender-based violence and of the need to **prevent stigmatization of victims.**



**Promote existing services and facilities** to victims/survivors of sexual and gender-based violence.



**Lobby for the provision of adequate services and facilities** for victims/survivors of sexual and gender-based violence.