Speaking at the Board, Education Minister, Misir Mardanov, has noted important works, which have been done according to the orders of the President in the field of development of higher education and stressed that this area is always at the centre of attention of President. Talking about foreign students study in the country, the Minister noted that foreign students from about 50 countries are currently studying at Azerbaijan universities.

Afterwards, Deputy Minister, Elmar Gasimov, made a presentation on the theme "Education of foreign citizens in the Azerbaijan Republic (the real situation, problems and prospects). He gave information on the education of foreign citizens at universities, about increasing their quantity every year, structures, existing at some universities for preparing foreign citizens for higher education, as well as universities, which have received large number of foreign students. The Deputy Minister noted that at the moment 6,813 foreign students are studying at universities in different specialties in the spheres of engineering, the humanities, art and culture, medicine, economy, management, etc. E. Gasimov gave detailed information about situation existing in this sphere for the past years, dynamics of reception of foreign citizens in the past three academic years, as well as other issues relating to this field, and gave some useful suggestions.

The rector of universities Abel Maharramov, Ahliman Amiraslanov, Samad Seidov, Shamsaddin Hajiyev, and Gulchohra Mammadova in their speech have noted actuality of the subject, and talked about situation and problems, existing in this area at their universities.