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At first, participants visited the tomb of national leader Heydar Aliyev at the Alley of Honours, as well as Alley of Martyrs.

The guests, including officials of several government bodies, ambassadors of foreign countries got acquainted with the exhibition in the foyer of the school. The exhibition was consisting of oil painting works depicting monuments and landscapes of Shusha by Rovshan Bayramov, gold and silver medals of school's alumni, and dictations written by pupils of school No.1 dedicated to the Motherland.

After the National Anthem of Azerbaijan was played, a demonstration of documentary film "My own school" was held.

Having welcomed participants, Education Minister, Misir Mardanov, read a congratulatory message from President Ilham Aliyev to the pedagogical staff on the 180th anniversary of school No. 1 of the city of Shusha. He noted that in accordance with the executive orders of the President one person has awarded the title "Honored Teacher", two the medal "Tereggi" for their achievements in the education field. Talking about successes achieved as a consequence of the constant attention and care paid by the head of state to the educators, the Minister, congratulated the staff of first secular school in Azerbaijan, and wished to them the great deal of success.

The Minister touched upon achievements reached in the field of school construction, as well as extra buildings and from this point of view, emphasized the activity of Heydar Aliyev Foundation. According to him, new building for the secondary school No.1 is planning to be built. He also expressed his assurance that Azerbaijan will restore its territorial integrity, and the school will successfully act in the ancient Shusha again.

Mr. Mardanov reminded that the 150th anniversary of school was marked in 1982 by the executive order of the national leader Heydar Aliyev, who had always paid a great attention to the intellectual potential of people. He underlined these measures raise the responsibility of school and encourage the pedagogical staff to new achievements.

The Minister informed that staff of school has been awarded 'Advanced educator' badge and honorary diplomas, as well as thanked everyone for organizing such a great event.

Bayram Safarov, Head of Executive Power of Shusha city, Sevil Babayeva, Director of school No.1 of Shusha, Ali Hasanov, chairman of State Committee on the Refugees and Internally Displaced Persons Affairs, Shunasi Khalilov, alumni of the school, and others made a speech at the ceremony. They underlined the attention paid by the government to refugees, as well as the importance of such events in the development of education area.

Further, on behalf of the participants of ceremony was made an appeal to the President Ilham Aliyev.

At the end of ceremony songs devoted to the Motherland, patriotism and fight were sung by pupils.