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On 21 November, Azerbaijan hosted the final stage of the hackathon entitled "Child Rights" and the awards ceremony for the winners.

The hackathon on "Child Rights" was organized jointly by the Ministry of Education, the State Committee on Family, Women and Children's Affairs, the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) and Public Association for Regional Development.

The two-day hackathon, dedicated to 20 November World Children's Day, was attended by school children aged 10 to 16 from the capital and the regions. In the competition, in which 18 teams took part, children presented their ideas for innovative solutions to problems related to education, health, protection from violence, promotion and protection of the rights to life and upbringing in the family.

The 18 projects submitted by the participants were evaluated by the jury and the winners of the first three places were determined.

At the end of the hackathon, Chairman of the State Committee on Family, Women and Children's Affairs Bahar Muradova, Deputy Minister of Education Mukhtar Mammadov, Deputy Head of UNICEF Azerbaijan Office Ming Yuan congratulated the participants and winners of the hackathon and handed over gifts and certificates.

In her speech Bahar Muradova noted that the All-Republican Azerbaijani Children's Forum is being held these days. Speaking about the importance of innovation, the chairman of the committee noted that she is always ready to listen to interesting proposals from children.

In his speech, Deputy Minister of Education Mukhtar Mammadov congratulated the contest winners and said that through this event children learn to work as a team and conduct research. Mukhtar Mammadov expressed confidence that what the children learn at this competition will enable them to achieve great success in the future and help them to build their careers. The Deputy Minister also spoke about the importance of children's participation in such competitions and contests in terms of child development and openness to innovations. The Deputy Minister of Education noted that similar events are planned to be organized in the regions as well.

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Deputy Head of UNICEF Azerbaijan Office Ming Yuan, in turn, said the event was proof of the high level of protection of children's rights in the country.

It should be noted that the purpose of the hackathon is to raise awareness about children's rights, promote innovative solutions to existing problems in this field, and to give hackathon participants the opportunity to work in teams and test the latest technologies and innovations.