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Education Minister Misir Mardanov sincerely welcomed the guests and expressed his satisfaction at seeing them in Azerbaijan. Talking about friendship between the people of Azerbaijan and Georgia and relations between the two countries the Minister touched upon developed directions of existing cooperation.

Education Minister has raised an issue regarding the preparation of textbooks in Azeri for Azerbaijani schools operating in Georgia and suggested that the Azerbaijani experts may take a close part in this work. Moreover, Mr. Mardanov noted the need to render a necessary help to refurbish and construct Azerbaijani schools in Georgia.

The Minister offered to guests to visit some education establishments and underlined the importance of being familiar with the education system of Azerbaijan.

Minister for Education and Science of the Republic of Georgia Dimitri Shashkin has thanked the Minister for the warm reception. Talking about friendship and cooperation existing between the two countries the guest touched upon works implemented to develop the material and technical base of Azerbaijani schools in Georgia. He said that they are planning to prepare Azeri textbooks for I-VI classes in this academic year, and for VII – XI classes in the next year. The guest gave information on conditions created for Azerbaijani graduates to study at universities of Georgia, on defined quotas and privileges. Mr. Shashkin also talked about the education system of Georgia, and reforms implemented to develop the secondary education system.

At the meeting the parties exchanged views on provision of ICT in Azerbaijani schools of Georgia, conduction of joint subject Olympiads, teaching of Georgian in Azerbaijan, and Azeri in Georgia, as well as other issues.

Education Minister Misir Mardanov put forward an idea to prepare a joint publication of book on learning of Azerbaijani history and geography in Georgia, and Georgian history and geography in Azerbaijan, as well as to organize facultative courses at secondary schools.

Mr. Shashkin expressed his readiness to take necessary measures within this issue, and noted that in this connection they will establish a commission.

The ambassador extraordinary and plenipotentiary of Georgia to Azerbaijan Teymuraz Sharashenidze also attended the meeting.