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Winners of “Spring yard” project, which was jointly organized by the Ministry of Education and IDEA Public Union with the aim of planting trees and shrubs in schoolyards, were awarded on June 8.

Speaking at the award ceremony, deputy Minister of Education Firudin Gurbanov said the project played an important role in building schoolchildren’s and youth’s ecological worldview and environmental culture, and also encouraged their active involvement in addressing environmental problems, and caring and humane attitude to nature.

General Coordinator of IDEA Public Union, Farid Jafarov, highlighted the projects jointly organized by the Ministry of Education and IDEA with the aim of preserving environmental balance in Azerbaijan.

“Spring yard” project involved 15 higher and 26 secondary education institutions in the cities of Baku, Ganja and Sumgayit. The project had a positive impact on environmental situation of education institutions and students’ health, and also contributed to the expansion of schoolchildren’s and students’ environmental knowledge and stimulation of their caring attitude to nature.

Under the project, students and schoolchildren planted around 12,000 trees and shrubs, and carried out cleaning and maintenance work in schoolyards. IDEA gave nest boxes to each education institution involved in the project.

The Ministry of Education and IDEA held a competition among 26 general education institutions in the cities of Baku, Ganja and Sumgayit. Schools that built the tidiest and most beautiful “Spring yard” became winners of the competition.

The winners received certificates and different prizes.