Spe Speaking lat the opening lof the event ichairwoman lof the Young Educators of Azerbaijan organization Ruhiyya Aslanova expressed her thanks to the Education Ministry and Embassy of Japan to Azerbaijan for the support provided by them for the project.

Speaking at the event; the Minister of Education Misir Mardanov talked about the relationship existing between Azerbaijan and Japan. Noting the importance for further expansion of educational ties between the two countries, the Minister stressed the advisability of travel of lemployees of the education field of Azerbaijan to Japan to get acquainted with the education system of this country. The Minister stressed the role of Ambassador of Japan to Azerbaijan Shusuke Watanabe in establishing mutual and fruitful relations and praised his work. He noted that, the Government of Japan provides grant projects in Azerbaijan for overthe 10 years. Speaking about the collaboration of the Embassy of Japan Japan to Azerbaijan swith several organizations, dingluding the Young Educators of Azerbaijan organization, the Minister added that, up to now, 7147 agreements were signed with the Japanese government within these projects.

Ne Next, the Minister gave information on the grant agreement on Project for improvement of vocational training conditions for docksmith and carpentry courses at the professional lyceum of Baku ##2 within a Grant Assistance for Grassroots and Human Security Programme. According to him, the main goal of the project is to improve training conditions for the locksmith and carpentry courses at Professional Lyceum #2 through refurbishing workshop and purchasing necessary training equipments depending on the requirements of different age groups. The project will encompass 140 students and 440 teachers. The amount of the grant is 99,990 USD. In conclusion, the Minister expressed his thanks to all those who have made a contribution to this work.

S|Speaking tat the event) Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Japan to Azerbaijan S|Shusuke | Watanabe noted that the establishment of friendly relations between Azerbaijan and Japan, and expressed willingness to promote cooperation. According to him, the cooperation between Japan and Azerbaijan has laready produced results. He noted that he visited Baku vocationaly yeeum #2 in order to get acquainted with the works that will be done within the project and existing situation. The Ambassador stressed the importance of this project in terms of Azerbaijan is experiencing a period of development and needs professionals.

NeNext, the grant agreement on Project for improvement of vocational training conditions for lodocksmith and carpentry courses at the professional dyceum of Baku #2 within Grant Assistance for GraGrassroots and Human Security Programmewas signed. It was signed by Ambassador of Japan to Azerbaijan Shusuke Watanabe and chairwoman of Young Educators of Azerbaijan organization Ruhiyya Aslanova.