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Education Minister Misir Mardanov expressed his pleasure at welcoming the guests in Azerbaijan and at the Ministry of Education. The Minister talked about the historical ties of friendship between the two countries and noted many Iranian students are currently studying at universities of Azerbaijan. He also touched upon the relationship in the education field between Azerbaijan and Iran, and underlined the cooperation existing between universities of the two countries. The Minister talked about his meetings with students from Iran studying at different universities of Azerbaijan, and underlined the assistance provided to them to solve their problems. Mr. Mardanov underscored the importance of expanding the educational cooperation and establishing of a joint working group that will be involved in solving some problems in this field.

Education Minister highly praised the visit of Iranian Education Minister to Azerbaijan and invited him to visit our country again to become more familiar with the education system of Azerbaijan.

Talking about the goal of his visit to Azerbaijan Education and Training Minister of Islamic Republic of Iran Hamid Reza Haji Babaei expressed his pleasure at meeting with Minister Mardanov. He underlined the mutual relations between Azerbaijan and Iran and expressed his belief that the meeting will contribute to the development of educational cooperation.

The Iranian Minister talked about the education system of Iran, including researches conducted in this field over the last 7 years and substantial changes. He also underlined the importance of establishing cooperation in fields such as secondary special education, student-teacher exchange, textbooks, etc.

Education and Training Minister of Islamic Republic of Iran Hamid Reza Haji Babaei has invited Minister Mardanov to Iran.

The meeting was attended by Ambassador of Iran to Azerbaijan Mohammad Bagher Bahrami.