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Having welcomed the guest at the Ministry, Education Minister Misir Mardanov talked about the development of relations between Azerbaijan and Russia, as well as with Astrakhan region in different fields, including in the education area. He underlined the need of expanding relations between secondary schools of Azerbaijan and Astrakhan, stressing the existence of good potential for the future cooperation.

Minister of Education and Science of the Astrakhan region of Russia Vitaly Gutman underlined the interest of the Region to deepen cooperation with Azerbaijan in the education field and stressed the importance of strengthening bilateral relations to improve educational ties.

Mr. Gutman also stressed that relevant steps will be taken to organize the study of Azeri language at secondary schools of Astrakhan. The guest also underlined the possibility of developing relationship at other levels of education.

Minister Mardanov expressed his willingness to assist with the implementation of proposals put forward by Mr. Gutman. Noting the appropriateness of establishing a working group to develop educational ties between Azerbaijan and Astrakhan region, the Minister stressed the need to set of clearly defined steps that will be taken to strengthen bilateral relations.

Next, the sides exchanged views on other issues of mutual interest.