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Speaking at the opening of the meeting, Education Minister Misir Mardanov congratulated the attendees on 31 December - World Azerbaijanis Solidarity Day and the New Year.

The Minister talked about curriculum training courses that have been provided for teachers since 2008, stressing that 73,000 teachers have attended the relevant courses over the last 5 years and mastered the necessary skills and abilities. According to him, the relevant training courses for teachers of 7-11 grades will be conducted as well.

Education Minister also announced the beginning of training courses entitled "General Education curriculum reform and its management" for 4,000 heads of education establishments to organize the effective use of new curriculum and successful implementation of curriculum reform. According to him, the training courses are held by Center for Training and Development Ltd and Madad Azerbaijan Ltd that have won the tender held within the Second Education Sector Development Project.

Noting the importance of taking a serious approach to this work, the Minister underlined the results of monitoring of training courses held by Monitoring and Evaluation Department of the Ministry and Azerbaijan National Parent Teacher Association will be discussed after the completion of courses. According to the Minister, the training courses have received a positive assessment but there were revealed some problems which should be solved. He listed some of them and noted that the problems should be solved by the organizations that conducted training courses.

The meeting was attended by director of school no. 67 of Baku Irada Bayramova, director of "Zangeneh" lyceum Bayram Heydarov, director of school no. 212 Gurban Hasanov, director of school no. 1167 Vagif Guliyev, director of school no. 77 Gulnaz Mehdiyeva, representative of Madad Azerbaijan Ltd Bahruz Mehdiyev, representative of Curriculum Centre Konul Mahmudova, director of lyceum named after academician Zarifa Aliyeva Mahabbat Valiyeva, director of school no. 6 Gulshan Orujova, executive director of Azerbaijan National Parent Teacher Association Tarana Sharifova, Unit director of Baku city Education Department Bahman Nabiyeu, head of Monitoring and Evaluation Department of the Ministry Tarana Hajiyeva, program director of Centre for Modern Education and Training Assistance Elmina Kazimzade, director of Baku European Lyceum Zulfiyya Veysova and others. In their speech, they have shared their views on the training courses and put forward some suggestions to find a solution to the relevant problems.