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Speaking at the opening of the meeting Education Minister Misir Mardanov talked about Development Concept "Azerbaijan 2020: a glance at the future" signed by President Ilham Aliyev noting the concept will provide the development of all areas, including the education field. He underlined the importance of educational researches on different topics conducted by the Institute for Educational Problems. The Minister also stressed the importance of evaluating results of implemented works and reforms, as well as precise determination of process for implementation of innovations in the education field.

Director of Institute for Educational Problems Abdulla Mehrabov gave information on the research topics implemented based on orders of the Ministry in 2012 stressing they are mainly conducting applied researches. According to him, recommendations from the relevant departments of the Ministry and international education consultants of the World Bank were taken into account in the selection of topics. The researches were mainly conducted in the fields, such as the use of subject curriculum in primary schools, organization of works for preparation of 5-year olds for school, problems with the admission of 5-year olds to schools through the contest, assessment of students knowledge in general education (leaving exams, entrance exams to the higher and secondary special education institutions, national assessment, TIMSS and PIRLS international assessment) etc. Mehrabov also talked about problems regarding analysis and assessment of events held within the State Program for the development of creative potential of children (youth) with special talent (2006-2010), development and use of curriculums for vocational education field, and etc.

Next, director of Curriculum Centre of Institute for Educational Problems Anvar Abbasov and head of Department for Content and Methods Assessment Elkhany Baylarov gave information on some research topics and talked about achieved results.

Education Minister Misir Mardanov put forward his ideas for the selection of research topics and expressed his belief that use of other financial resources to do detailed researches will give a positive result. He underlined the importance of scientific seminars jointly held by the Ministry of Education and Institute for Educational Problems, and discussion achieved results.