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The event was attended by Education Minister Misir Mardanov, heads of relevant structural unit of the Ministry, executive director for Azerbaijan National Parent-Teacher Association Tarana Sharifova, school directors, chairs of PTA's, teachers and parents.

At first, the meeting attendees have held a minute's silence in memory of the Khojaly tragedy's victims.

Speaking at the opening of the event, Education Minister Misir Mardanov noted that the meeting is devoted to the discussion of issues, such as parental involvement in the teaching process and strengthening of public control over the schools management. The Minister underlined the conduction of regular discussions to improve the level of education and increase in efforts to solve the existing problems. He talked about the activity of Hotline Service of the Ministry and stressed the work done by the Service will be improved.

The Minister highly praised the activity of PTA's at schools noting the existence of schools where the relevant associations haven't established yet. He suggested to the newly established PTA's using the rich experience of existing ones.

Noting the educators are the leading strength of the community, Minister Mardanov stressed the great responsibility of PTA's to inform the community about the activity of the schools. He also underlined the need to organize the activity of PTA's more efficiently to eliminate the problems that occur at schools.

Members of PTA's, school directors, teachers and parents made a speech at the meeting and voiced some proposals.

Next, there was held open discussions regarding the different fields of the education.

At the end, some educators were awarded a badge of Advanced Educator of the Republic of Azerbaijan, and active members of PTA's were presented certificates.