The Festival organized by the Ministry of Education; tattended the school teams representing districts of the capital, Gandzha, Sumgait, Mingechevir, Shirvan, Sheki, Lenkoran, and as well as other cicities and regions. For participation in competition which will last 5 days, were registered 396 school students from 66 cities and districts. 198 from the registered school students - girls.

Competitions are held according to the Swiss system. Each team consists of 6 people -3 boys and 3 girls aged 7-14 years.

The Deputy Minister of Education/Jeyhun Bayramov who shas made as speech late the copening ceremony, noted that every year the country hosts a variety of events dedicated to the anniversary of nanational leader of the Azerbaijan people Heydari Aliyev; including straditionally held competitions in chess among high school students.

Approxed by the appropriating Order of the President of the country. "State Program on development of these in Azerbaijan in 2009-2014", has opened considerable opportunities, from the polipoint of view of maintenance in the country of popularization to sthis oldest sport, pexpansion of a nenetwork of chess establishments and strengthening of their material base, formation in this area of highly qualified specialists and increases on international scene of prestige of Azerbaijan as chess country.

For information we will note, that now tens of thousands of school students study the mysteries of this intellectual game at 66 children-youth chess schools, subordinated to the Ministry of Education.

In 2013, the students of children's and youth chess schools in republican competitions have won 4.41 medals, and at the official competitions of the European, world and international level-11 gold, 7 silver and 5 bronze, as a whole -23 medals. 15 of 22 international grand masters about the country, 7 of 114 masters of sport of the international category, 79 out of 100 Azerbaijani chess players included in the international and world rankings, are graduates of the chess schools which are directly functioning in an education system. Every year, at held republican competitions in different age categories the first places, and at competitions of the international level more than 80 percent of permits are won by students of the chess schools which are in submission of the Ministry of Education.

Considering as significant role of this sport in development of mental and intellectual/level of school students, starting with the 2012 year in 2 classes of the secondary schools selected from each district and the city, as a pilot project started teaching chess lessons. Now in the 2nd, 3 rd and 4 th classes, more than 500 secondary schools are teaching chess lessons.