The vevent was attended by representatives of the Ministry of Education and higher education ininstitutions, as well as experts. It was noted that the main goal of the competition is to stimulate the formation of careful attitude towards the environment and ecological worldview of children and youth by increasing their knowledge in the field of afforestation and to teach them special skills and abilities in the field of protection, restoration and sustainable use of forests.

It wits was informed that the corremony that the competition, attended by V<sub>2</sub>XI graded students of secondary schools and members of "Young forester" groups of the ecological education and practice coenters, was held in 3 categories. 70 ecological projects have been submitted to the final stage of the competition. The results of ecological investigations on the importance of forests, their fauna and flora, the protection of care plant and ranimal species, in atural monuments and studying lanthropogenic implements for the legological condition of forests and the ways of solving legological problems were reflected in the projects by schoolchildren.

In the Republican stage of the competition, the projects prepared by schoolchildren from Ismayilli, GakGakh, Shamakhi, Balakan, Sheki, Eguba, Sgusar, Goranboy, Lankaran, Idalilabad, Tovuz were lhighly appreciated by a jury and were awarded 1st, 2nd, 3rd and stimulating places.

The winners were awarded with diplomas of the Ministry of Education and valuable prizes.