Railway accident investigation report

Railway operator: Nagano Electric Railway Company
Accident type: Level crossing accident
Date and time: About 6:27, March 3, 2016
Location: Gosyokubo level crossing, class four level crossing without automatic barrier machine nor road warning device, located at around 2,418 m from the origin at Nagano station, between Zenkojishita station and Hongo station, double track, Nagano Line, Nagano City, Nagano Prefecture

SUMMARY
On Thursday, March 3, 2016, while the outbound local 507 train, composed of 3 vehicles, started from Nagano station bound for Shinshunakano station, Nagano Line, Nagano Electric Railway Company, was running between Zenkojishita station and Hongo station, the train driver noticed a pedestrian entering into Gosyokubo level crossing, class four level crossing, and applied an emergency brake immediately, but the train hit the pedestrian. The pedestrian was dead by the accident.

PROBABLE CAUSES
It is probable that the accident had occurred as the train hit the pedestrian because the pedestrian entered into Gosyokubo level crossing, class four level crossing, where the train was approaching. It could not be determined the precise reason why the pedestrian entered into the level crossing where the train was approaching, because the pedestrian was dead.