Railway accident investigation report

Railway operator : Kyushu Railway Company
Accident type : Level crossing accident
Date and time : About 19:12, January 8, 2017
Location : Tekkosho level crossing, class four level crossing without automatic barrier machine nor road warning device, located at around 43,028 m from the origin at Minami-Miyazaki station, between Obi station and Nichinan station, single track, Nichinan Line, Nichinan City, Miyazaki Prefecture

SUMMARY
On Sunday, January 8, 2017, while the outbound 1951D train, started from Miyazaki station bound for Shibushi station, Nichinan Line of Kyushu Railway Company, was running between Obi station and Nichinan station, the driver of the train noticed a pedestrian went into Tekkosho level crossing, class four level crossing, then applied an emergency brake immediately, but the train hit the pedestrian.
The pedestrian was dead in the accident.

PROBABLE CAUSES
It is highly probable that the accident had occurred as the train hit a pedestrian, because the pedestrian went into Tekkosho level crossing, class four level crossing without automatic barrier machine nor road warning device, in the situation that the train was approaching.
It could not be determined why the pedestrian went into the level crossing in the situation that the train was approaching, because the pedestrian was dead in the accident.