

Railway accident investigation report

Railway operator : Chichibu Railway Co., Ltd.

Accident type : Level crossing accident

Date and time : About 14:20, June 17, 2016

Location : Ishihara Number 12 level crossing, class four level crossing without automatic barrier machine nor road warning device, located at around 4,035 m from the origin at Kumagaya station, in the premises of Hirosegawara station, single track, Chichibu Main Line, Kumagaya City, Saitama Prefecture

SUMMARY

On Friday, June 17, 2016, while the inbound local 1534 train, started from Kagemori station bound for Hanyu station, Chichibu Main Line of Chichibu Railway Co., Ltd., was running in the premises of Hirosegawara station, the driver of the train found a pedestrian in Ishihara Number 12 level crossing, class four level crossing, then sound an emergency whistle and applied an emergency brake, 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 right side of front face of the train hit a pedestrian because the pedestrian went into Ishihara Number 12 level crossing, class four level crossing, in the situation that the train was approaching.

It is somewhat likely that the pedestrian went into the level crossing in the situation that the train was approaching, because the pedestrian did not notice the approaching train. But it could not be determined the precise situations because the pedestrian was dead in the accident.