

From India to the world

Chaturanga, which is said to be the original form of chess, is presumed to have been played in the upper and middle reaches of the Ganges River, and from there it is said to have spread to various parts of the world through several routes.

The westward route went from ancient Persia to Europe and led to the birth of Western chess. It is said that the route to the east passed through land routes such as the Silk Road and sea routes, leading to the birth of Chinese chess, Korean chess, Southeast Asian chess, and finally Japan's shogi.