

BRICS-NDB Knowledge Portal

User Guide

A practical guide for browsing the portal, using knowledge products, exploring country factsheets, and interacting with the BNKP AI assistant.

1. BRICS-NDB Knowledge Portal Objective

The BRICS-NDB Knowledge Portal (**BNKP**) is a knowledge-sharing platform that presents BRICS initiatives, NDB knowledge products, country factsheets, and an AI-enabled guide interface.

The guide helps users understand how to browse content, filter information, read publications, download resources

1.1 Intended Audience of the User Guide

- Public users seeking development knowledge and country information.
- Researchers and analysts browsing knowledge products and case studies.
- Government, institutional, and development stakeholders reviewing BRICS-NDB materials.
- Internal support or content teams who need a structured reference for portal walkthroughs.

1.2 User Guide Scope

- Navigation through the main portal sections as visible in the available screenshots.
- Browsing and filtering knowledge product listings.
- Viewing country factsheets and country details.
- Using the BNKP AI assistant and understanding the AI disclaimer.
- Using search results and download options shown on the interface.

2. Portal Overview

Key features of the BRICS-NDB Knowledge Portal as below:

Home - Explore BRICS initiatives, case studies, Thematic Notes, Country factsheets and provide BNKP Guide AI search feature.

BRICS Initiatives – View BRICS initiatives and their references

NDB Knowledge – Explore NDB Case Studies and Thematic Notes

NDB Member Factsheets – Provide NDB Members’ documents and quick links.

Search – Use text to search BRICS initiatives, Case Studies, Thematic Notes and NDB Member initiatives.

BNKP AI Assistant – Provides AI feature guide to help users to quickly find knowledge and reference links.

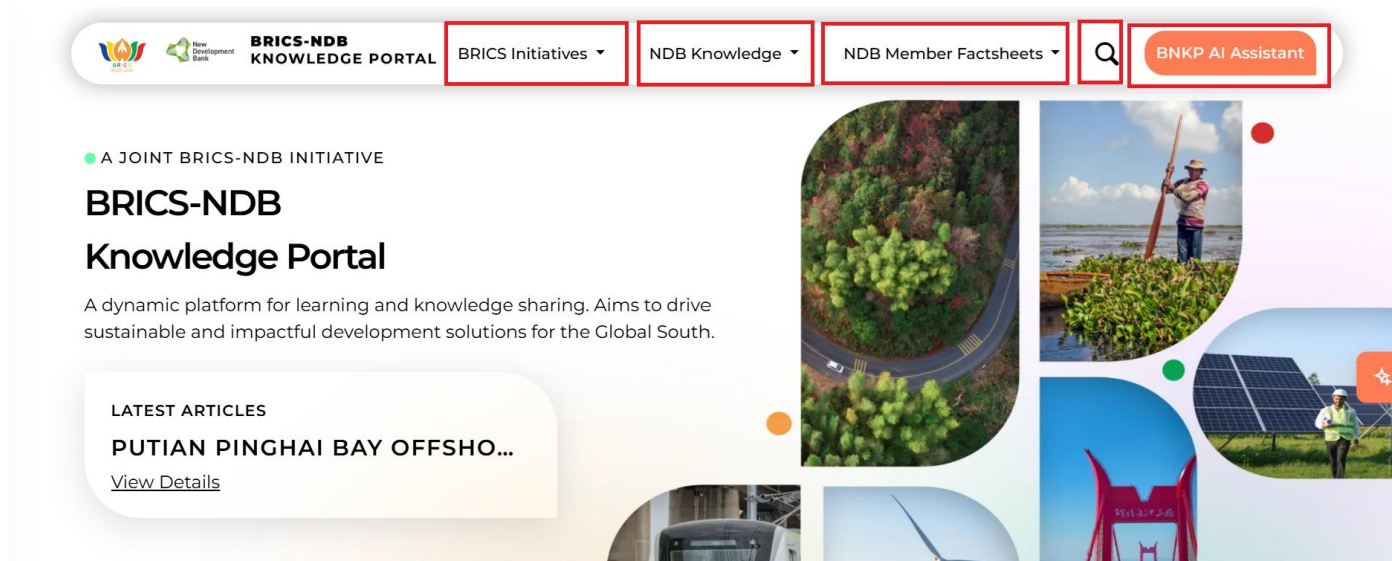


Figure 1. Home page overview with primary navigation

2.1 Main Navigation Areas

Area	Purpose	Typical User Action
BRICS Initiatives	Browse thematic initiative categories and initiative detail pages.	Open a priority area such as clean energy, infrastructure financing, or transport infrastructure.
NDB Knowledge	Browse knowledge products, including thematic Notes and case studies	Search, filter, view details, and download available documents.
NDB Member Factsheets	Browse country-level profiles and supporting documents.	Search countries, open country pages, review quick links and documents.
BNKP AI Assistant	Ask questions using the AI assistant based on curated portal repositories.	Use suggested prompts or type a custom question.
Search	Find matching knowledge products across filtered result lists.	Filter by year, country, and type, then view or download results.

3. Home Page

The Home Page is the central landing page for the portal. It provides quick access to the latest articles, BRICS initiative categories, NDB knowledge products, and country factsheets.

3.1 Key Components

- **Hero banner** - Introducing the BRICS-NDB Knowledge Portal. The Hero Banner supports multiple images and videos. Users can navigate between them by clicking the indicator dots displayed below the banner.
- **Latest articles** - Displays the newly uploaded knowledge resources in real time and provide quick-access links for opening the documents directly.

User Operation:

1. Open the Home Page.
2. Locate the Latest Articles section on the left side of the Hero Banner.
3. Click view details to open knowledge detail page.

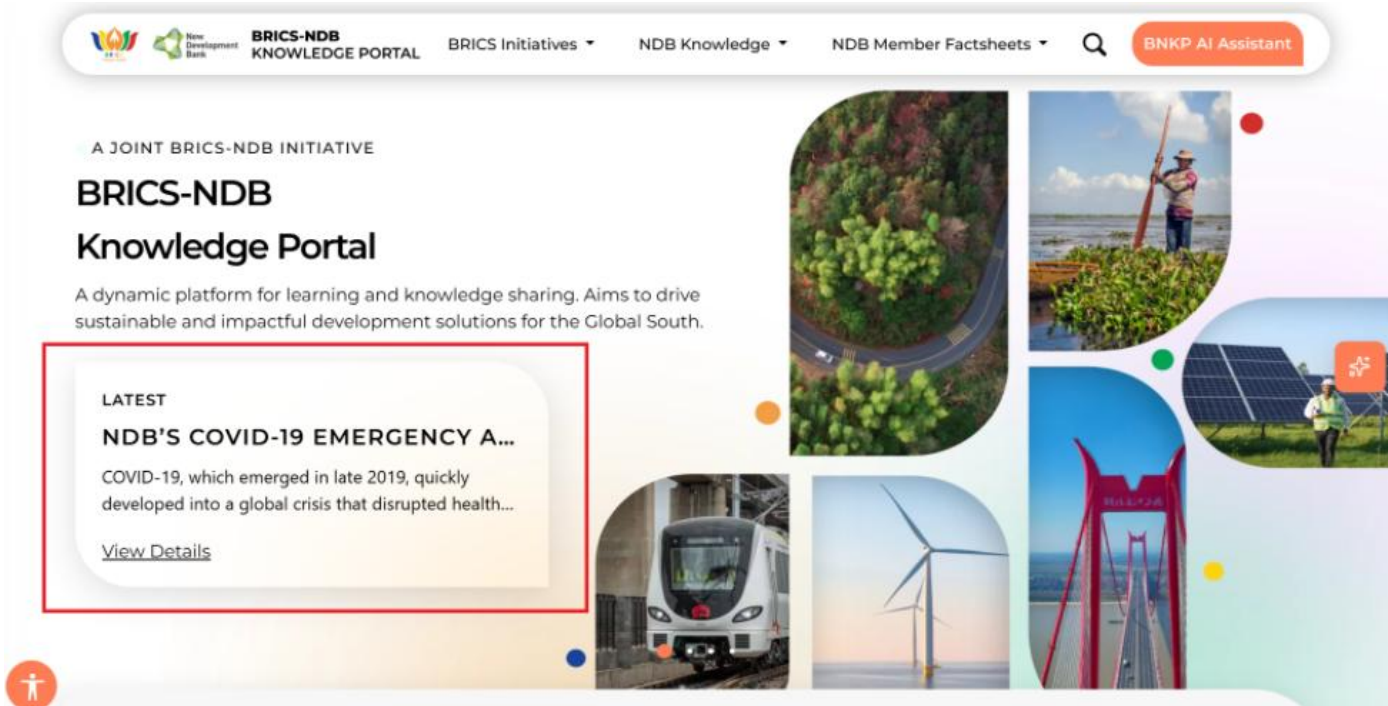


Figure 2. Latest Articles in Home Page

- **BRICS Initiatives** – BRICS Initiatives section displays initiative cards along with a View All option. The BRICS Initiative cards support drag-and-scroll navigation, allowing users to quickly access any BRICS Initiative page.

User Operation:

1. Open the Home Page.
2. Locate the BRICS initiative Card section under Hero Banner.
3. Click and drag the BRICS Initiative cards to browse and switch between different BRICS Initiatives.
4. Click a BRICS Initiative Card to open BRICS Initiative detail page.
5. Click View All to open BRICS Initiative list page.

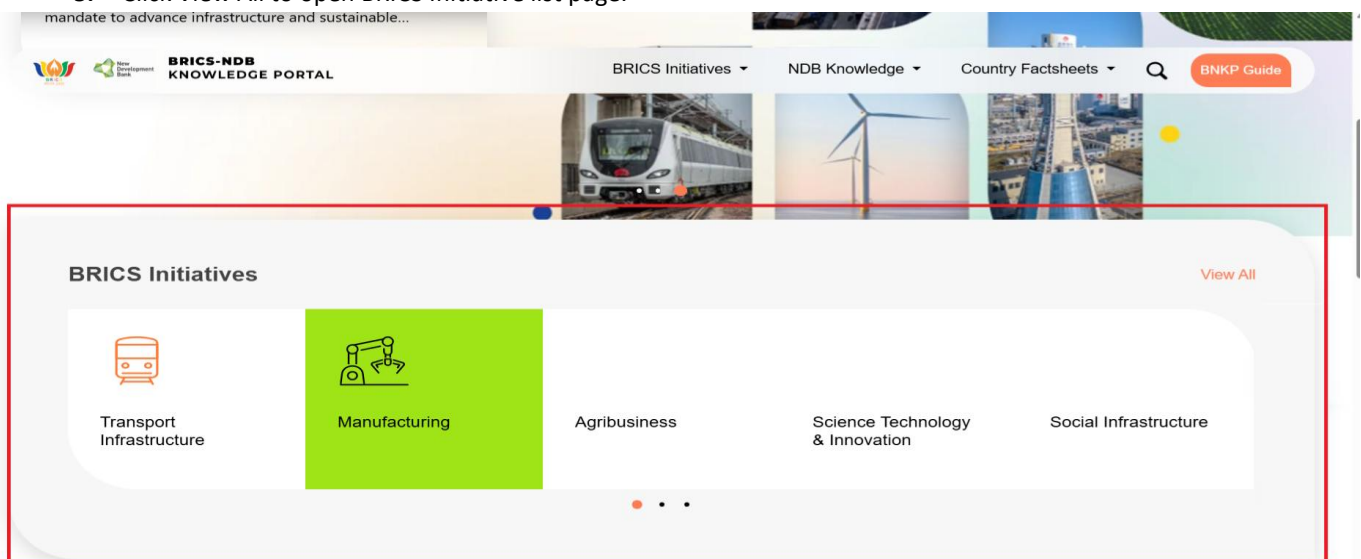


Figure 3. BRICS Initiative Card in Home Page

- **NDB Knowledge Products-** The NDB Knowledge Products section consists of three categories: **Case Studies** and **Thematic Notes**. Users can easily switch between these views and browse the available content by dragging the cards. Each card provides quick access to the corresponding knowledge resource, enabling users to discover and explore relevant insights efficiently.

User Operation:

1. Open the Home Page.
2. Scroll down the page and locate NDB Knowledge Products section.
3. Select Thematic Notes and Case Studies to view the corresponding content cards.
4. Click a content card to open the selected resource's detail page.
5. Click View All within a category to open the corresponding list page.

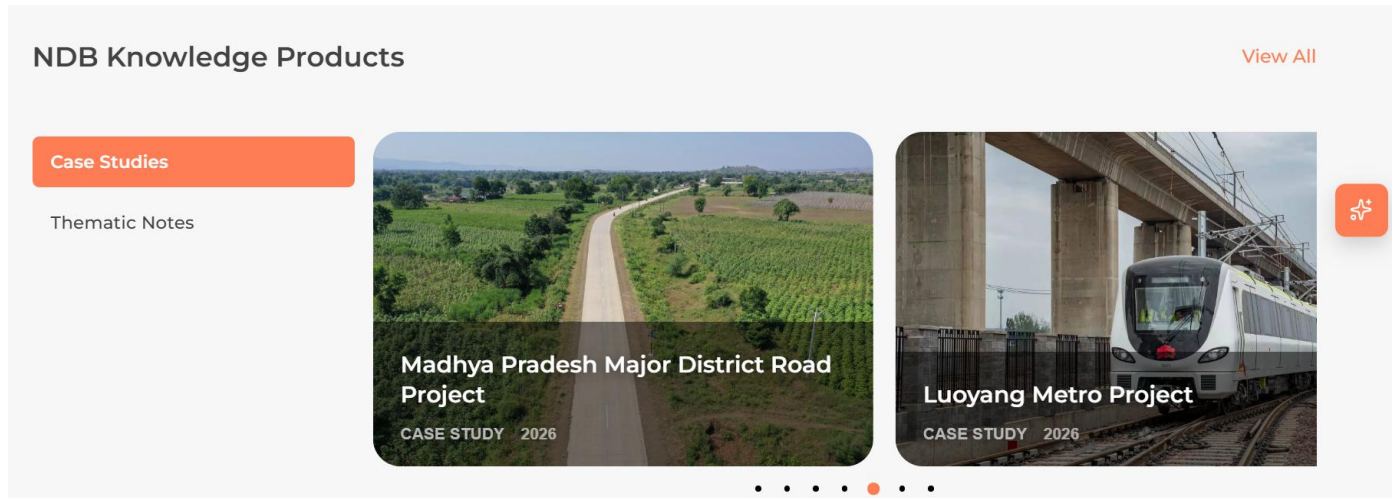


Figure 4. NDB Knowledge Products in Home page

- **NDB Member Factsheets** – NDB Member cards provide quick access to country-specific information, including country profiles, related knowledge resources, documents, and external links.

User Operation:

1. Open the Home Page.
2. Scroll down the page and locate NDB Member Factsheets.
3. Users can click the left and right navigation buttons to view and navigate across all the NDB Member cards.
4. Users can hover over a NDB Member card to instantly view key information and data associated with the selected country.
5. Click view more to open country factsheets detail page of the selected country.
6. Click View All to open country list

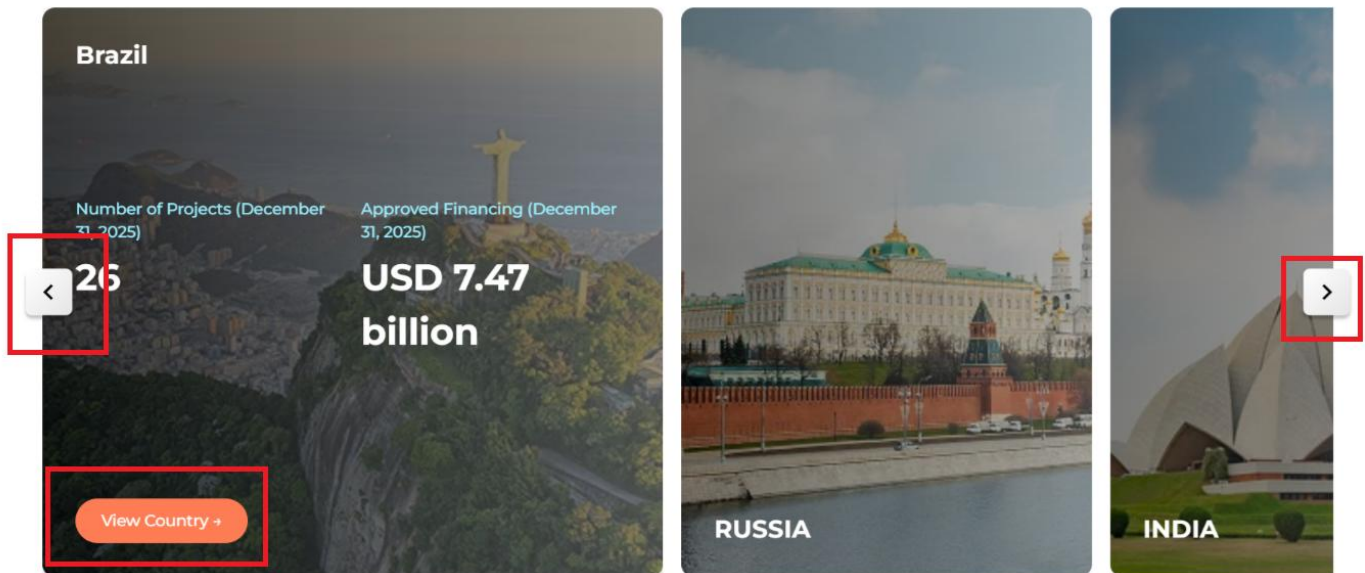


Figure 5. Country Factsheets in Home page

- **BNKP AI Assistant**– Provides AI guide feature to help users to quickly find knowledge and reference links.

User Operation:

1. Open the Home Page.
2. Scroll down the page and click BNKP AI Assistant Chatbot Icon.
3. User can ask questions related to BNKP

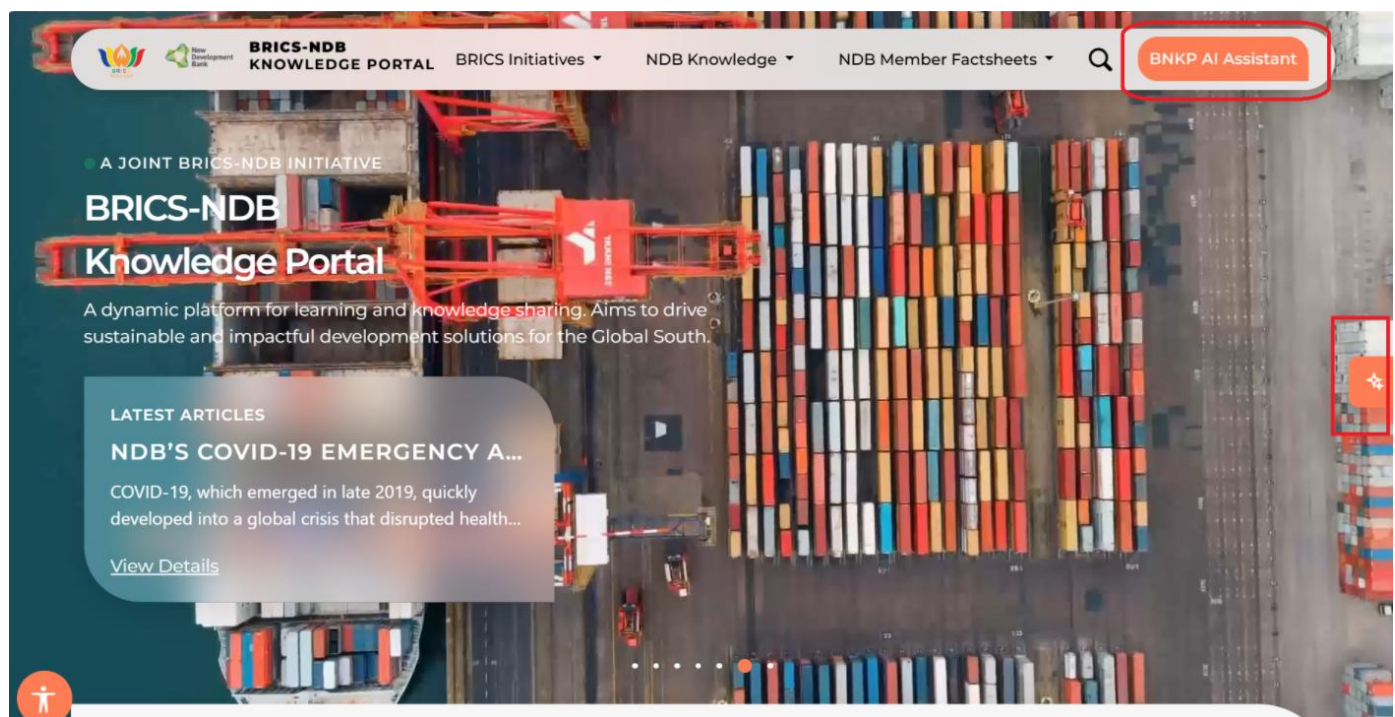


Figure 6. BNKP Guide Chatbot Icon

4. BRICS Initiatives

The BRICS Initiatives section presents BRICS initiative categories and detail pages for selected BRICS Initiatives. The categories include clean energy and energy efficiency, climate change and disaster resilience, infrastructure financing, transport infrastructure, manufacturing, agribusiness, science technology and innovation, social infrastructure, and inclusiveness.

4.1 BRICS Initiative Detail

The BRICS Initiatives Detail page provides summary introductions for each of the BRICS Initiatives and corresponding citations and references documents.

User Operation:

1. Open the Home Page.
2. Hover over BRICS Initiatives menu
3. Select any BRICS Initiative to open the BRICS Initiative detail page
4. Switch between the summary /citations/ references tabs to view

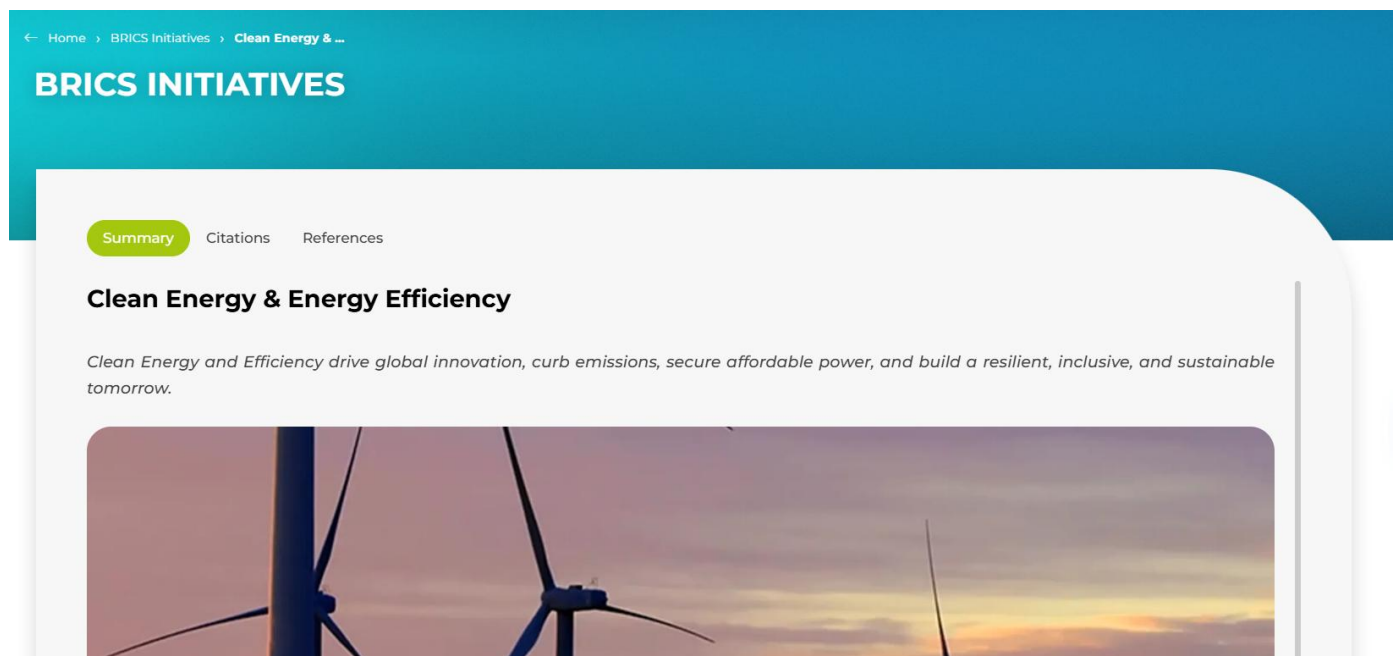


Figure 7. BRICS Initiative Detail

4.2 BRICS Initiative List

In BRICS Initiatives List you can search and select different BRICS Initiative.

User Operation:

1. Open the Home Page.
2. Hover over BRICS Initiatives menu
3. Select view all
4. Select any working group to open the BRICS Initiative detail page

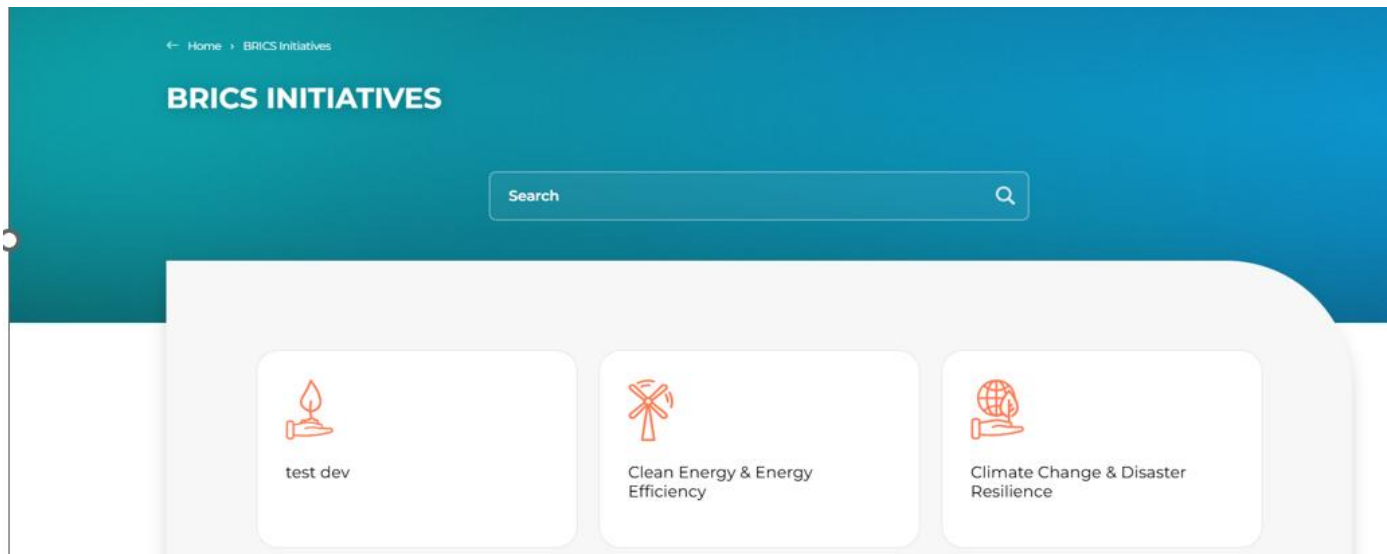


Figure 8. BRICS Initiative List

5. NDB Knowledge

The NDB Knowledge section groups knowledge products such as Thematic Notes and Case Studies.

5.1 Thematic Notes

5.1.1 Thematic Notes List/Card Page

The Thematic Notes listing page includes a search box, year filter, content cards, and pagination. In the right side, Users have the option to switch between Card View and List View based on their personal preference.

User Operation:

1. Open Home Page.
2. Hover over NDB Knowledge
3. Hover over Thematic Notes and click view all
4. Can use the search feature to quickly find preferred Thematic Notes
5. Use year/country filter to further refine the search.
6. Use the buttons on the right side to choose between card view and list view.

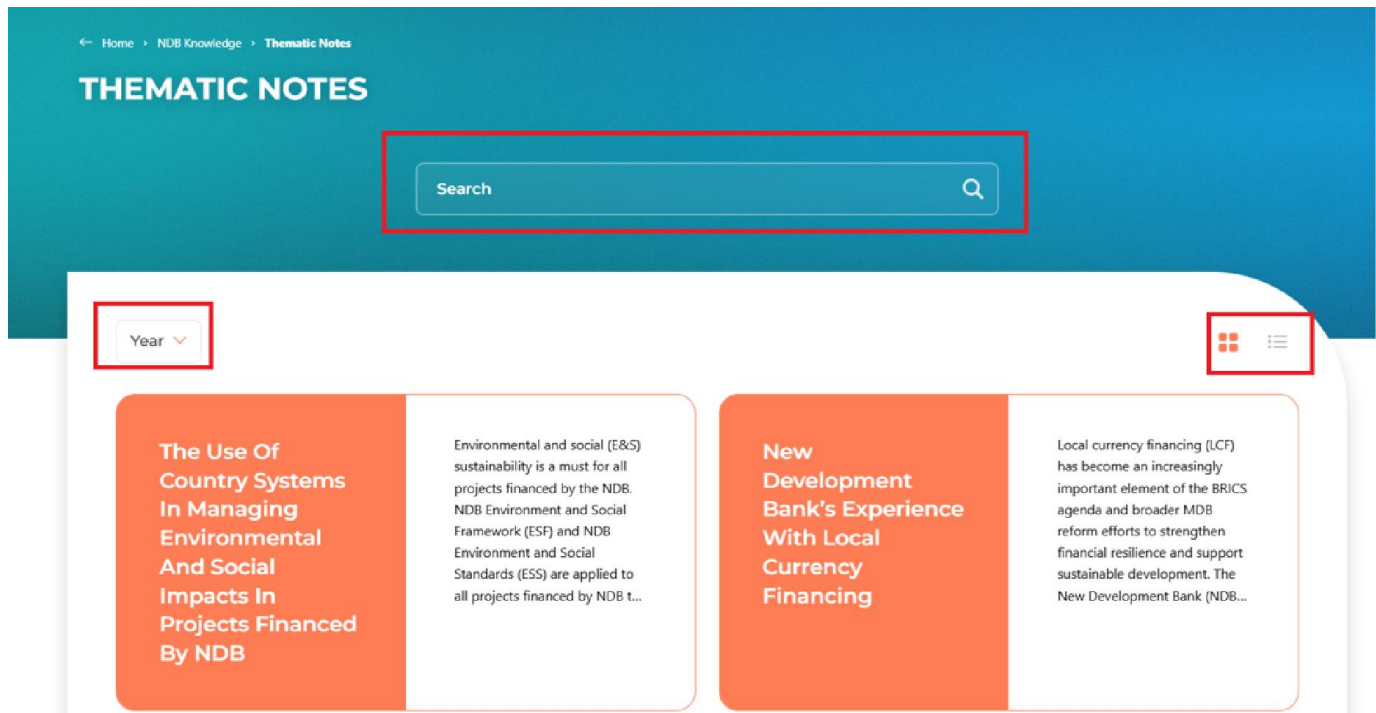


Figure 9. Thematic Note List

5.1.2 Thematic Notes Detail Page

Users can browse, download, and forward Thematic Notes. This page provides users with two reading modes: Book View and Scroll View. Users can switch between the two modes at any time while reading.

User Operation:

1. Open Home Page.
2. Hover over NDB Knowledge
3. Click on any Thematic Note title to go to the thematic detail page.
4. Can navigate between chapters and read the content of the selected chapter.
5. Click book view to read the case study in a book-style format.
6. Click Scroll view to read the thematic paper in a continuous scrolling format.
7. Click download to save a copy of the Thematic Note document.
8. Click Share button to share the thematic Note link.

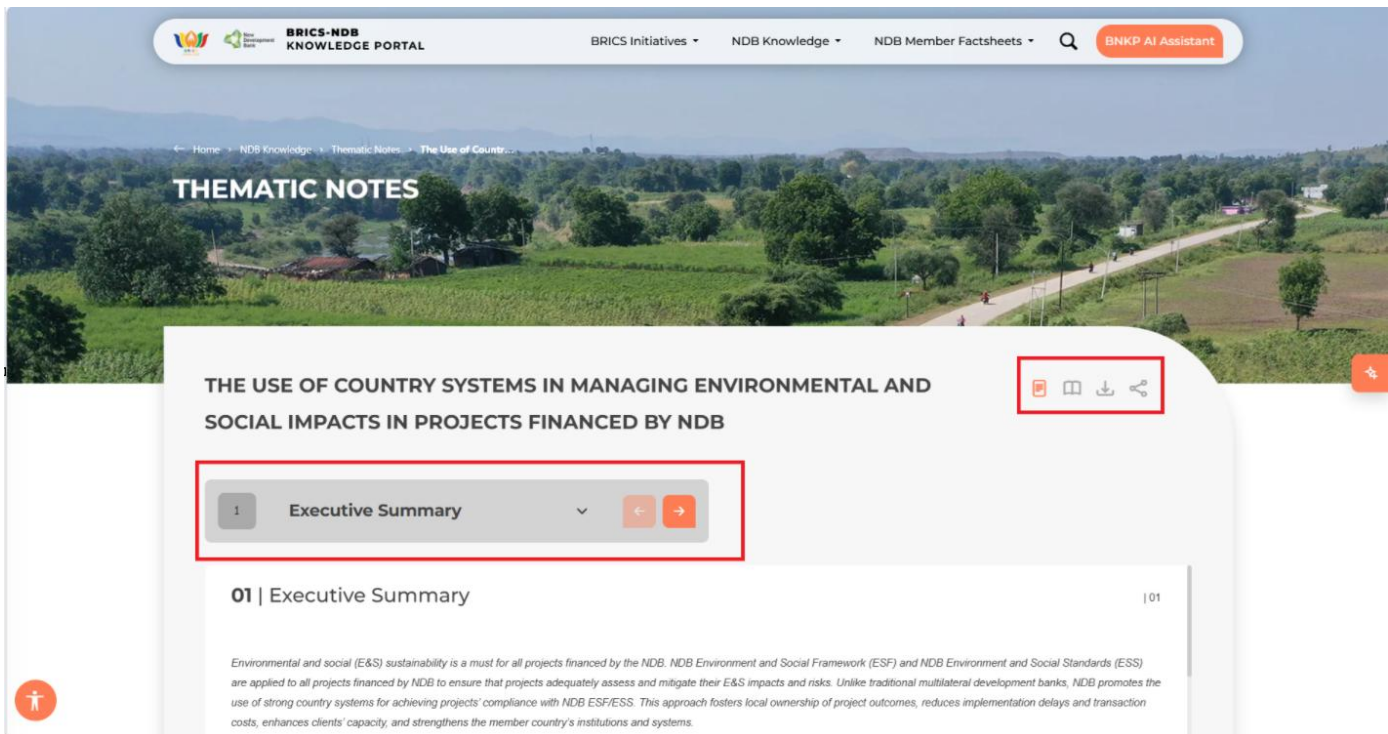


Figure 10. Thematic Note View

5.2 Case Study

5.2.1 Case Study List Page

The Case Study listing page includes a search box, year and country filters, content cards, and pagination.

User Operation:

1. Open the Home Page.
2. Hover over NDB Knowledge
3. Hover over Case Studies and click view all
4. Can use the search feature to quickly find the preferred Case Studies.
5. Use year and country filters to refine your search.

CASE STUDIES





Figure 11. Case Study List

5.2.2 Case Study Detail Page

Users can browse, download, and forward Case Study. This page provides users with two reading modes: Book View and Scroll View. Users can switch between the two modes at any time while reading.

User Operation:

1. Open Home Page.
2. Hover over NDB Knowledge
3. Click on any Case Study title to go to the case study detail page.
4. Can navigate between chapters and read the content of the selected chapter.
5. Click book view to read the case study in a book-style format.
6. Click Scroll view to read the case study in a continuous scrolling format.
7. Click download to save a copy of the case study document.
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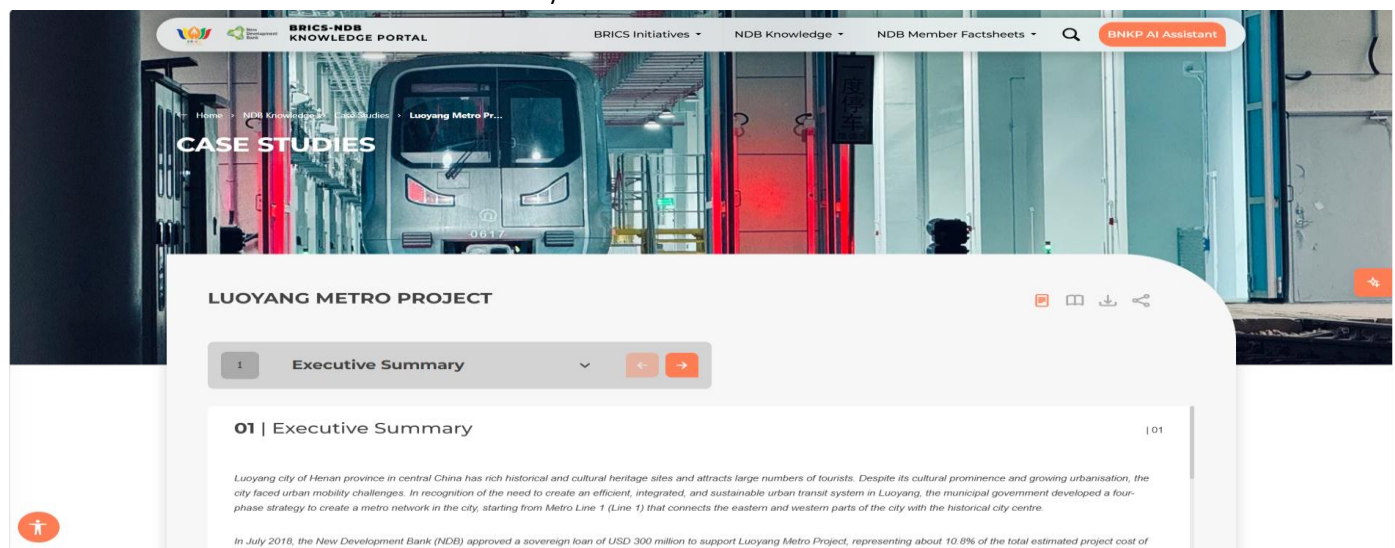


Figure 12. Case Study Detail Page

6. NDB Member Factsheets

Country Factsheets provide Summary, Countries' Documents, quick links etc. It allows user to download documents as well.

User Operation:

1. Open the Home Page.
2. Hover Over NDB Member Factsheets
3. Click View all to display the complete list of countries
4. Select and click the desired country from the list
5. The country page will provide country summary, documents and quick links
6. At the bottom of the page, scroll through and select another country to view its information..

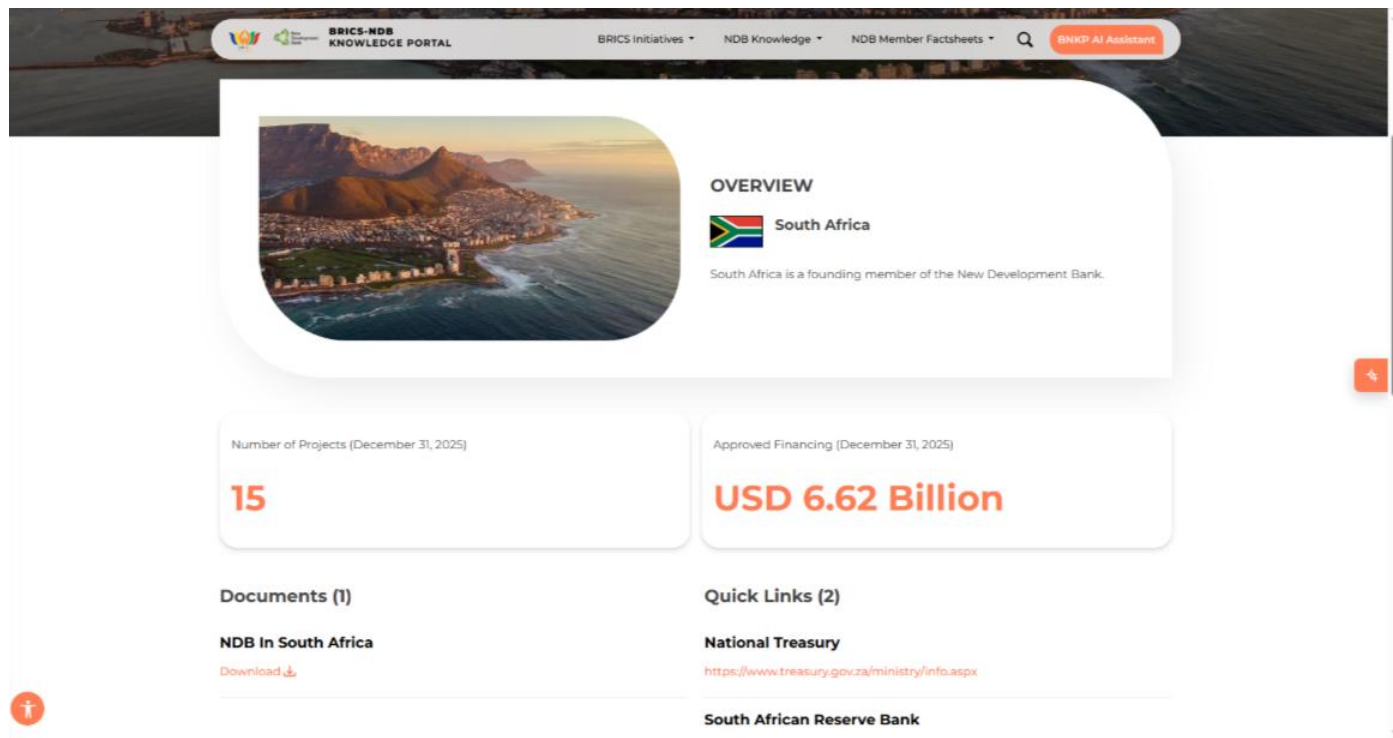


Figure 14. Country factsheet detail page with documents and quick links

7. BNKP AI Assistant

The BNKP AI Assistant is presented as an AI assistant for exploring knowledge inside BNKP only.

7.1 AI Disclaimer

The interface displays an AI Disclaimer stating that the assistant provides answers based on curated BRICS-NDB knowledge portal repositories, responses are generated by artificial intelligence and may contain errors, and users should verify critical information with official sources.

7.2 Suggested Prompts

- What are the latest BRICS development initiatives?
- Tell me about NDB climate finance projects.
- Compare sustainability across BRICS Members
- Summarize recent policy recommendations

7.3 How to Use the BNKP AI Assistant

1. Open the BNKP AI Assistant from the main navigation menu.
2. Read the AI Disclaimer before using or relying on generated responses.
3. Select one of the suggested prompts or type a custom question in the input area.

4. Press Enter to submit the question.
5. Review the generated response and verify critical claims with official sources before use.

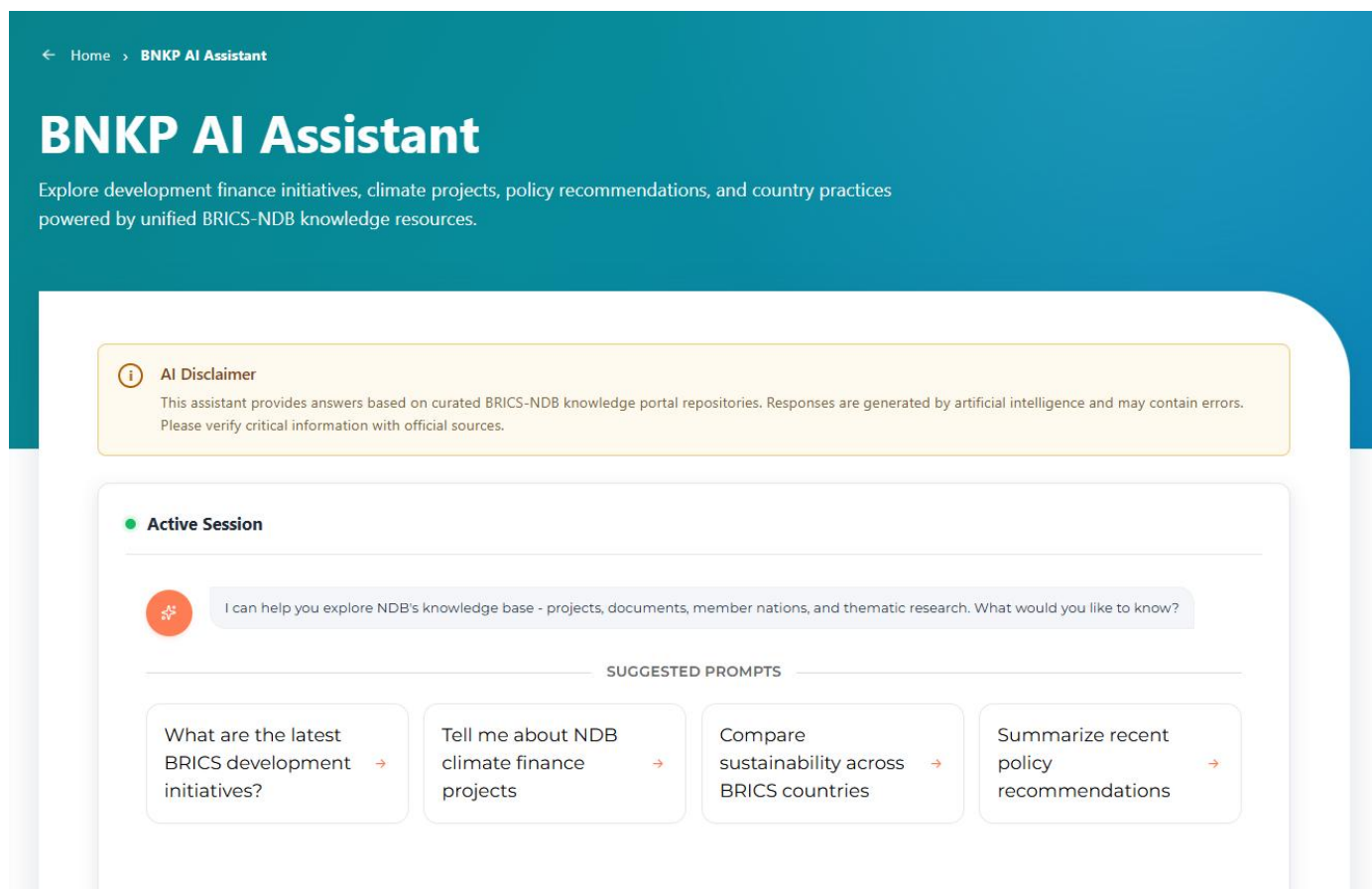


Figure 15. BNKP Guide

7.4 Responsible Use Guidance

- AI-generated responses are provided for informational, guide and research purposes only.
- Users must validate critical information against official NDB publications and source documents.
- AI responses should not be considered official BRICS or NDB positions, decisions, or recommendations.
- Do not enter confidential, sensitive, proprietary, or personal information into AI search prompts.
- Users remain responsible for any decisions, actions, or communications based on AI-generated content.
- Providing specific search criteria (such as country, project, publication type, or topic) may improve response relevance and accuracy.

8. Search Results

The Search Results page provides filtered results across content types. The visible filters include Year, Country, and Type. Each result includes date, title, content type, summary text, and View More action button

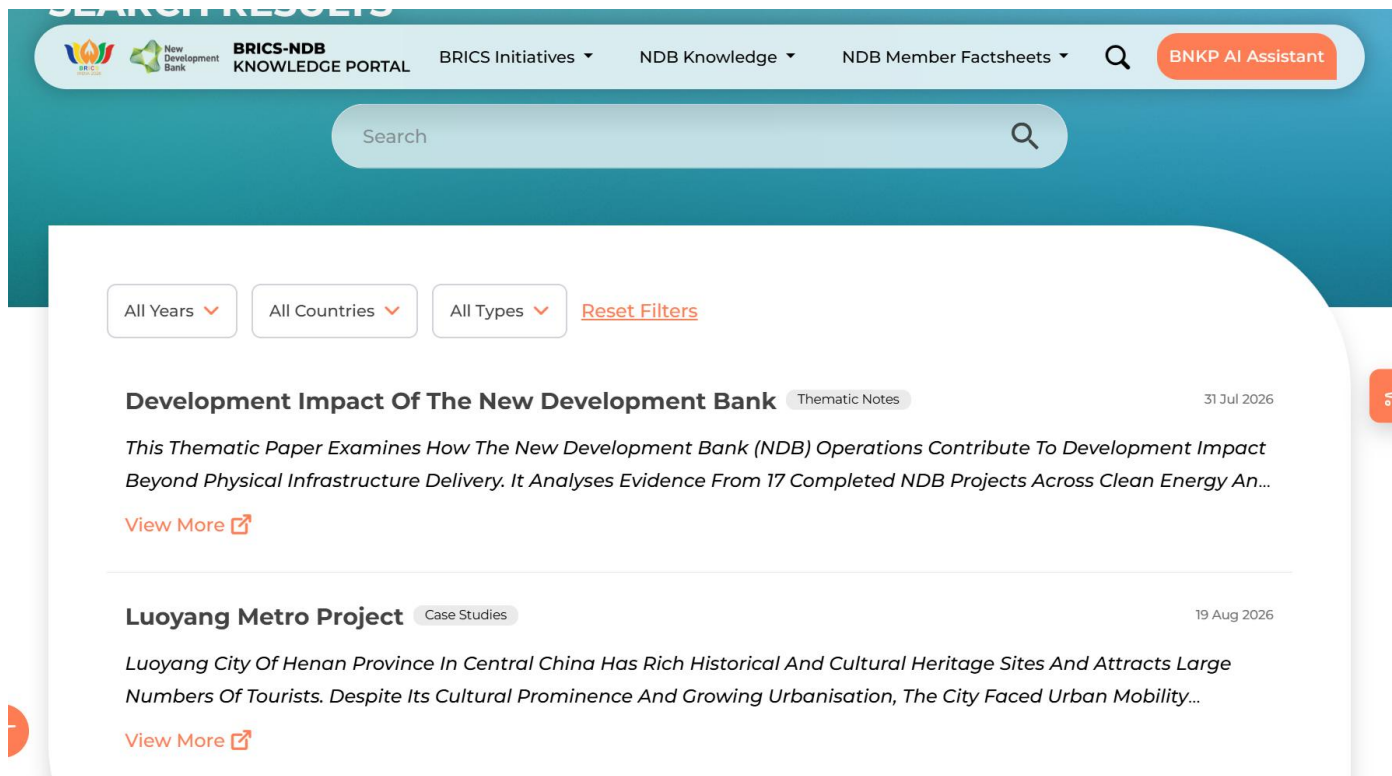


Figure 16. Search results page with filters and downloadable entries

8.1 Using Search Results

1. Search Results page opens after performing a search.
2. Use the Year, Country, and Type filters to refine results.
3. Review the title, type, date, and summary for each result.
4. Select View More to open the detailed page.
5. Select Download where available to save a document.
6. Use pagination controls to browse additional results.

8.2 Search Tips

- Start with broad search terms, then apply filters when too many results appear.
- Remove filters if relevant results are not displayed.
- Use exact project names, country names, or thematic keywords when searching for specific content.

9. Footer Navigation and Support Links

The portal footer is consistently visible across the provided screenshots. It provides quick paths to Browse BRICS, Browse NDB, Contact Us, FAQs, User Guide.,

9.1 Recommended Usage

- Use Contact Us for support or feedback.
- Use FAQs and User Guide for self-service help.