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**Psoriasis** is a chronic autoimmune skin disease that may affect the skin, nails, and joints.

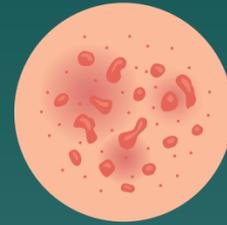
There are about **125** million people .worldwide who have psoriasis



!Stop bullying, start supporting

Health Awareness Unit

# What is psoriasis?



- A non-contagious disease that is not transmitted by contact
- It causes red skin patches covered with silvery scales
- It may affect the skin, nails, and joints.

## Important numbers

- 100 million people worldwide are affected.
- Symptoms usually begin between the ages of 15 and 30.



Infection

stress



Smoking, Medication



## The impact of psoriasis on life

- Psychological impact: anxiety and depression
- Social impact: affects quality of life and social interaction