

It is the third time this year that Kottayam is in focus attention. Uzhavoor a little known panchayat in Kottayam has savored the limelight when one of her sons became the first citizen of India.

Two months back, it was the turn of another sleepy panchayat, Ayamanam to hit the head lines with Arundathi Roy's Booker prize winning novel.

Kottayam was in all joy when K. R. Narayanan was elevated to become the 11th President of India. Kocheril veetil Raman Narayanan's rise to the most coveted post in our county was the result of his intense hard work. His winning the Presidential election with 95% of votes show that he is well liked and respected.

At the eve of the 50th year of India's Independence, the precious child of Uzhavoor humbly says, "Wherever I may be, I am always the son Kottayam."