



SPEAKER

CHAKKEERI AHAMED KUTTY

Shri Chakkeeri Ahamed Kutty, who had the distinction of having been a Speaker and a Minister, graced the seat of the Speaker in the fifth Kerala Legislative Assembly. Born in 1915 as the son of Shri Chakkeeri Moideenkutty and Smt. Palliyali Viriyath at Cherur near Vengara in Malappuram District, Shri Ahamed Kutty had his school education at Manjeri and Tirur. However, he had to abandon his studies with the demise of his father in 1929.

Shri Chakkeeri Ahamed Kutty started his political activities as a worker of the Indian National Congress at the age of 17 in 1932. Getting elected as Member of Ernad Taluk Board in that year, he also participated in the national movement under the inspiring leadership of Mohammed Abdurahiman Sahib. Again,

as President of Vengara Town Congress Committee, he led the agitations for the removal of Hitchcock Memorial in 1938. He resigned membership of the Indian National Congress in 1939 and joined the All India Muslim League. Shri Chakkeeri Ahamed Kutty was one of the forerunners to build up a strong base for the Muslim League Party in Kerala. He served as a Member, both in the Muslim League Working Committee and State Committee. He had also served as President of Vengara Panchayat for many years.

His legislative career began in 1952 when he was elected as a member of the Madras Legislative Assembly, the first Assembly constituted under the Constitution of India, from Kottakkal Constituency. After the formation of the Kerala State, he represented Kuttippuram Constituency in the first Kerala Legislative Assembly (1957-59). He was later elected to the third Kerala Legislative Assembly from Malappuram Constituency in a by-election held on June 10, 1969 following the demise of Shri M. P. M. Ahammed Kurikkal. He was again elected from the Kuttippuram

Constituency to the fourth KLA and fifth KLA.

Shri Chakkeeri Ahamed Kutty became the Minister for Education on March 2, 1973, when Shri C.H. Mohammed Koya resigned his ministership. He continued as Minister till March 25, 1977.

Shri Chakkeeri Ahamed Kutty was elected as the Speaker of Kerala Legislative Assembly on March 28, 1977. He held the Office till February 14, 1980. It was during his Speakership that preliminary steps were taken for the formation of Subject Committees which later became a role model for other Legislatures. The construction of Legislature Complex was also commenced during his stewardship.

Shri Chakkeeri Ahamed Kutty was very much interested in Football, Chess, Kolkali and Mappila songs. After 1980, he kept away from active politics but later joined Janatha Dal.

Smt. Safiya was his wife and they have five sons and four daughters.

Shri Chakkeeri Ahamed Kutty expired on January 4, 1993. The Kerala Legislative Assembly paid homage to him on January 25, 1993.

